

Tuscany Italy

Painting Adventure

Kevin Shea Plein Air Painting Workshop

September 21 - October 6, 2007

Paint on site surrounded by a landscape of timeless beauty in the Tuscan plein air. Medieval villages, olive orchards and vineyards are the settings for our painting adventure, where architecture and culture harmonize with the colors of nature.

The 2007 Tuscany Painting itinerary will include new and exciting imagery in the Arno Valley and surrounding hillside towns, villages, and countryside. This workshop will emphasize the use of composition, color and drawing to interpret the atmosphere of an astounding visual paradise. With individual instruction and demonstrations, students will learn the tools and methods to exercise while painting scenes of Tuscany on site. Media: oils, watercolors. Level of experience: familiarity with painting, to professional. Passport required.

About the Instructor: Kevin Shea brings a wealth of knowledge to his work and instruction with over twenty-five years experience painting outdoors as a full-time professional artist. His workshops are informal with instruction geared to the student's individual needs and level of experience. Working with the patterns of nature, we use atmosphere and form in the surrounding landscape as integrated keys to success on canvas. The instruction and encouraging process within the workshops have become pivotal experiences in the lives of many participants.

Shea is a member of the Copley Society, and his work has been displayed nationally with the American Artists Professional League and the Salmagundi Club. He has lived and taught in Florence and has traveled and painted extensively in the Tuscany region. He has been featured in numerous publications and on CNN, and displays his work with six galleries.

Itinerary and Painting Schedule:

Colorful painting excursions, adventure, and leisure in a land of timeless beauty.

Our painting schedule will include morning painting demonstrations and instruction, 8:30 - 12:30 followed by a mid-day break 1:00 - 2:00 and painting with instruction from 2:00 - 5:00 PM. Times approximate. Site calendar available. Some days, painting, and touring at your leisure.

Friday September 21: Evening departure to Italy. **Saturday:** Arrival, reception and dinner.

Painting Instruction/Demonstration Schedule: Sunday Afternoon, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday - off, Thursday, Friday, Saturday. **Week II:** Sunday - off, Monday Independent painting and finishing paintings for afternoon critique. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday off - paint, rest, tour, pack. One or two museum visits may be planned as halves of two painting days and are optional. This schedule is a guideline and may be subject to change.

Saturday October 6: Early morning departure from Italy.

Ten day session available. Call for information and pricing.

Your Tuscany Painting Adventure cost includes: painting workshop, demonstrations and instruction, workshop excursions, round trip airfare, airport transportation, hotel, double occupancy, breakfast each day, and dinner most days. **Price based on round trip from Boston.**

Other city, price may differ.

September 21 – October 6 **\$3995.**

The cost of your Tuscany Painting Adventure includes:

Airfare: Round trip from Boston, taxes included. Other city, price may differ.

Workshop fee: On site painting demonstrations, critique, and individual painting instruction.

Workshop transportation: Tour van transportation including the all day painting excursions to picturesque villages and towns of Tuscany.

Accommodations: Charming furnished hotel in a private enclave surrounded by cypress trees, vineyards, an olive garden with a swimming pool. Single rooms may be available call for price. Tuscan restaurant on site. Limited room service. The supplement for anyone requiring single accommodations is 300.

Meals: Breakfast included daily, and Eight Dinners are included at a fine, on sight Tuscan restaurant: Two course and side included. Beverages and dessert not included. **Price of dinner is not included on special excursions to distant cities, where we dine before an evening return to our hotel.**

Airport transportation to and from hotel apartment. **Airport and Hotel/Apartment portage not included, but is likely to be available.** Two pieces of luggage to check, and one carry on maximum recommended. For extra luggage, airline will charge an extra fee.

Tipping and Taxes for hotel, and hotel meals.

The cost of your trip does not include passports, painting supplies and equipment, all personal items, independent sightseeing and related costs, optional travel insurance (recommended), charges for extra luggage, meals other than specified, anything else not mentioned as included. If due to weather, flight schedules or uncontrollable factors you are required to spend additional time, you are responsible for extra meals transportation, and hotel.

Insurance: All are advised to consider insurance needs in relation to travel, accident, medical and personal coverage. Kevin Shea cannot accept liability for any accident, injury, loss or damage sustained by trip participants.

Valid passport required: If needed, apply in time to obtain prior to departure.

Registration and Reservations: Complete the reservation form and return it as soon as possible with your deposit of \$1997.50, enrollment limited, first come first served (full payment due by July 1, 2007) Please call for availability after July 1 2007.

Call for phone/fax payment with credit card. Telephone 978-462-0656 or 978-387-8105.

Special Flight and Land arrangements are possible. Call for information.

Travel documents: Airline tickets and accommodation confirmations will be mailed approximately three weeks prior to departure.

We expect to be traveling with a diverse group of individuals, and to experience different customs, lifestyles, and daily routines. Accommodating congeniality and courtesy are required to make the trip a wonderful experience for all.

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Payment Schedule:

Reservation Deposit : \$1997.50
Please reserve early,
enrollment limited.
Total due by July 1, 2007 \$3995.

After July 1, 2007 Please call. Reservations are subject to availability.

Cancellations and Refunds -Based on received written notice of cancellation:

Prior to July 1, 2007 Refund: \$800.

Prior to August 1, 2007 Refund: \$500.

NO REFUNDS OR CREDITS AFTER August 1, 2007
Cancellation insurance optional and responsibility of customer.

Supplies Needed for Workshop: Oil painting supplies and equipment for outdoors.
Compact folding stool or chair - very useful during a full day of painting
and during demonstrations. Compact chairs and compact luggage rollers only please.

DO NOT PACK TURPENTINE OR PAINT THINNER FOR AIR TRAVEL **FLAMABLE MATERIAL**

These materials can be purchased in Italy.
Bring empty, residue free, sealable containers for turpentine or paint thinner.

Information and suggestions:

Appropriate clothing.	Warm clothing from head to toe (as needed).
Hat with rim for sun	Rain gear for possible showers
Insect Repellent	Sunscreen
Umbrella	Some duct tape and rope to tie down in wind.

Important: All paintings, painting medium, paints and brushes must be safely enclosed for Tuscany workshop travel. For paintings **panel (painting) boxes to hold wet paintings** are available in standard sizes. Call Kevin Shea Studio for information. **Note: No unenclosed wet paintings, medium, paints, or brushes allowed in tour van.**

Painting projects may be interrupted or curtailed due to uncontrollable and unforeseen weather conditions.

The following oil paint palette will be used for demonstrations, but is not required:
Mixed (zinc titanium) white, cadmium yellow light, yellow ochre, cadmium orange,
cadmium red scarlet, alizarin crimson, cerulean blue, French ultramarine blue.
Mediums: paint thinner, and medium (mixed 2 parts stand oil 1 part dammar varnish).

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RESERVATION FORM

Reservations are taken on a first-come first served basis. As space is limited, you are encouraged to sign-up as soon as possible. If the workshop is full when you call or send in your reservation you will be placed on a waiting list if you wish. To register or for more information call Kevin Shea Studio 978-462-0656 or 978-387-8105. You may reserve your place by sending the Reservation Form with your deposit to: **Kevin Shea Artist 73 Purchase Street Newburyport MA 01950.**

Spouses and companions are welcome as space allows. Discounts of \$350. for spouses and companions who come on the trip but who do not attend or travel with the outdoor painting workshop. There are numerous activities available for spouses and companions who join us for the trip - however car rentals, tours etc. will be their responsibility. Call for more information.

Enclosed is my Check (or credit card number / expiration date / security code) in the amount of:

\$1997.50 Total \$3995. due by July 1, 2007

Late reservations are subject to availability and may be assessed late fee.

Name: _____ Passport # _____

Name of Spouse/Companion: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Telephone: (home) _____ (office) _____

fax _____ email _____

I wish to share room with: _____

I would like single accommodations: Enclosed in check \$300.. single supplement.

Roommates will be assigned. If roommate is not available you will be notified and you can opt for single supplement.

I (we) have read and understand costs, refund policy, itinerary, and workshop requirements.

Signature(s): _____ Date: _____

Charge my credit card: \$1997.50 Deposit, and total **\$3995.** by July 1, 2007
(MC,VISA,DISC.)# _____

Expiration Date: _____ Signature: _____

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