

A commissioned oil painting can celebrate or commemorate – in the most sophisticated way possible.

As a dog-lover, I know just what a special addition they are to your family. So when my dachshund, Betty, crossed rainbow bridge in the summer of 2020, I combed my phone for a “good photo”. I didn’t feel any were particularly worthy of enlarging, so I decided to paint from a combination of images mixed with loving memories. Her portrait landed me my first professional art award in pet portraiture with Camelback Gallery in Arizona.



“Betty”
4/7/06 – 6/11/2020

I use only professional grade, archival-quality paint and substrate. My goal is always to breathe life and personality into the painting through thoughtful brushwork and the sensitive selection of your photo or still video image.



JEAN KELLER

Jean Keller, is a contemporary realist; known mainly for her seascapes, big skies, and other coastal and figurative scenes.

“ My love for coastal imagery comes from growing up on a barrier island — just blocks from the sandy beach in Cape May County, NJ.— and feel a visceral connection with the sea. My goal is to always include: energy, light, and emotional presence no matter the subject.”

After earning her BFA, Jean embraced an award-winning career in Boston, MA as a graphic designer — working in both large agencies and small, boutique studios. Constantly curious, she is always busy learning and challenging herself. Jean has won many professional awards for her advertising/design skills and is currently adding national and international award recognition to her fine art CV.

Most recently she has been garnering recognition for her animal portraits as she expands her portfolio to include a variety of images beyond the land and sea.

Jean lives and works in Bristol, Rhode Island.

Select Recent Awards

- 2023 Animal Portraiture/Honor (Int'l) Artist Network
- 2023 Animal Portraiture/Bronze (Int'l) Camelback Gallery
- 2023 Juried Oils/Finalist (Int'l) Camelback Gallery
- 2022 Award of Excellence Nat'l Oil & Acrylics Painters
- 2022 Top 25 Oil on Canvas Nat'l Assoc. of Women Artists
- 2022 Suzanne Hassel Award Warren Art Festival, RI
- 2021 Best of 2021 Finalist (Int'l) Camelback Gallery
- 2021 Realistic Landscape Bronze (Int'l) Camelback Gallery
- 2021 Animal Portraiture Bronze (Int'l) Camelback Gallery
- 2021 Summer Beaches Top 40 (Int'l) Art Preservation Initiative

Professional Affiliations and Memberships

Juried Artist Member

National Society of Women Artists (NY, MA)

Associate Member

Oil Painters of America (juried), American Society of Marine Artists, American Women Artists, National Oil and Acrylic Painters' Society



CUSTOM PET PORTRAITS IN OIL

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How it works

Please email me (jean@jkellerart.com) several CLEAR, well-lit photographs/and or videos to choose from. Indicate if you have a favorite, but I will ultimately choose the one I feel is best to work from. I find it best if you have an image where you and your pet have established direct eye-contact, or is looking directly at the camera or has a "signature look" that is present in their eyes.

Size and Pricing

I use standard size options for ease of framing. Square or rectangle? I will recommend the best crop of the photo I will be painting from. We will decide this before I begin the painting process. My smallest size option is 8x8. Prices start at \$450 unframed.

Pricing may be affected by the level of detail or specific requirements. The prices listed here are for one animal only per painting. My style is moderately tight with a focus on the eyes and face. It will present as a classic "head and shoulders" portrait and there will be little to no detail in background. If you specify more than one animal and/or a higher level of detail, it will be reflected in the price.

The painting will be finished with a Gamblin Gloss Retouch varnish (to protect and heighten the color). All paintings are sold UNFRAMED unless otherwise specified. I'm also happy to frame it for you for an additional fee!

Once a size and image are selected I require 1/2 the full amount to hold your space in my queue. I can then give you a rough estimate of when you can expect your painting to be completed. Please remember: you are commissioning a one-of-a-kind piece of fine art. "Generally" (and I am going to use that term loosely) allow 2 weeks for completion and delivery. Might be sooner... **I will not ship a wet painting. If you need it for a gift and it's not ready, I can supply you with a presentation certificate.**

Commissions are not returnable

Your commissioned portrait is representative of my skills and I strive for 100% satisfaction. However, if you are unhappy with your custom portrait for any reason, I will return your initial deposit of 1/2 the quoted price. The finished painting will then become property of JKellerArt along with exclusive rights.

Unless we agree otherwise, your painting will be shipped via UPS and will be insured and require a signature. Shipping fee is extra.

For more examples of my work see my Instagram [@jkellerart](https://www.instagram.com/jkellerart)

PLEASE NOTE:

- **Size and level of detail will affect price.**
- **Price includes one (1) animal portrait per panel.**
- **An initial sketch for composition purposes will be shown before the painting is begun so we're all on the same page.**
- **Once approved, revisions are not included in this price. Any color proofs will be watermarked.**

The final oil painting is for personal use only. You do not have permission to duplicate it for personal reasons, production, or sale.

Base UNFRAMED Sizes and prices:	
8x8	\$450
8x10	\$550
10x10	\$600
9x12	\$650
12x12	\$850
11x14	\$900
16x20+	Let's talk!

Prices good through 2024

Choosing the right photo

Once I have the photo, I can crop it to make a good composition, which I will then email back for your approval. At that time we might discuss background/details/color choices. Sometimes a CLEAR still from a video might be the best way to capture the essence of your pet's personality!

Timeline

Two things will contribute to the timeline: your order in the queue and the general nature of oil painting. Expect at least 2 weeks from start to finish. Please note: I will not ship a wet painting.

How to commission a portrait

1. Send me an email to request a commission. Include several clear, well-lit reference photos or clear, short video of your pet to: jean@jkellerart.com
2. Let me know what size you're considering. I can recommend which format will work best for the image selected.
3. Send the 50% deposit via PayPal, Venmo or Zelle transfer.
4. Your commission is now in the queue! I'll sketch up the best composition for the size and finalize any questions I might have!
5. As soon as it's finished I will email a watermarked proof and request for the balance due.
6. You pay the balance.
7. I'll pack and ship your painting via UPS.
8. Your beautiful custom painting arrives!

Congratulations! You are now an art collector.