



**Majid Ejlali**

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Majid Ejlali has had an interest in art since his introduction to the basic concepts in elementary school. He continued the pursuit of his interest throughout his educational training.

He first studied at the University of South Carolina, under noted portrait, oil, and acrylic painter, Dr. Yagin and later transferred to East Carolina University, where he obtained a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Painting and Graphic Design and refined his artistic style under the direction of Dr. Gray. Graduate studies include advanced degrees from East Tennessee State University in Graphic Design and Ceramics and post graduate studies in painting at the University of Georgia under Lamar Dodd. He also undertook recent studies with Al Stine, noted American watercolorist from Spartanburg SC, and Raymond Williams of Kingsport TN. Currently retired from his position as Director of Marketing and Promotions at East Tennessee State University, Mr. Ejlali and his wife Christine reside in McIntosh County.

Mr. Ejlali has exhibited his work at the: Carolina Art Show, Columbia SC, (Juried :Best of Show Award); Packaging Design Show, Chicago, IL(Juried); Watauga Valley Art Association, Johnson City TN (Juried); First Tennessee Bank Art Competition (Juried: Honorable Mention); Funfest Art Festival Kingsport TN ;Springfest Art Competition Johnson City, TN (Third place watercolor); and

American Advertising Federation- Tri-City Metro Advertising  
Graphic Design

- 14 First Place
- 8 Second Place
- 30 Awards and Recognition
- 2 years Best of Show
- 2 years sent to National Competition

#### Exhibits

- Carroll Reece Museum, Johnson City TN (ceramics and watercolor)
- Kingsport Museum of Art, Kingsport TN (watercolor)
- East Tennessee Credit Union, Johnson City and Nashville TN (watercolor)
- Various Banks in Johnson City, Bristol, and Kingsport TN (watercolor)
- Glynn County Art Association, St. Simons Island GA (watercolor)

#### Membership:

- Watauga Valley Art Association
- Carroll Reece Museum
- Glynn County Art Association
- McIntosh County Visual Arts Association
- Georgia Coastal Artists