



THE NEW MEXICO ART LEAGUE PRESENTS. . .

Capturing the Moment -
Painting Alla Prima
with Michelle Chrisman

July 25 - 28

Tuesday through Friday

10 AM - 4 PM

Art League Members \$265

Non-members \$285

Fresh, intentional paint strokes will be the order of the day, rather than over-analyzed perfectionism. *Alla Prima* - translates from Italian meaning "at once." Painting directly from life, we will produce several small paintings per day. Emphasis will be on the simplification of shapes and shadow patterns. Each class will begin with a brief visual lecture and demo by the instructor followed by uninterrupted painting time during which students will work *alla prima*. We will have several defined exercises that will help students simplify their color story. Another helpful exercise will be *limited strokes* which helps the artist paint with bold, intentional strokes, producing fresh paintings as well as helping the artist avoid overworking and unnecessary detail. The results will be paintings with a beautiful contemporary look. We will paint from an arrangement of objects as well as working with a model. Some painting experience is helpful. Please sign up early; class size is limited to 12 students.



Michelle Chrisman has been making her living as a full-time oil painter and instructor for over 20 years. She is a plein aire painter of the New Mexico landscape, a contemporary figure painter and a still-life painter. Michelle's work is represented in Santa Fe by The Signature Gallery, in Taos by Wilder Nightingale Fine Art. Michelle is a contemporary colorist/expressionist painter grounded in the principals of Impressionism - how light works in the natural world. Michelle graduated from Fashion Institute of Technology in Figure Illustration, The School of Visual Arts in Graphic Design with a BFA, and completed intensive art studies at the New York and Denver Art Student Leagues and Scottsdale Artists School. Instructors who have had the greatest influence on Michelle and her work are Kevin MacPherson, Kim English and Pegg Kroll-Roberts. She has long been a Signature Member of PAPNM.

For registration or more information please visit our website at

www.newmexicoartleague.org or call 505.293.5034.

We are located behind the Juan Tabo Library at
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