Experiential Landscapes

The Art of Dennis Neu

My works are an exploration of the forms and colors apparent in varied landscapes, reflecting the experience of color and texture found in rocks, water and trees. I am at heart a sculptor who has translated the tactile sensibilities of my work in clay to the canvas, using a palette knife and paintbrush to spread and pull paint as I would dimensionalize the surface of a ceramic piece. My work seeks to balance the authenticity of a environment without overworking the concept, preserving an honesty and innocence that is inherent to my co-exploration of art with students of varying levels of sophistication over the course of my career as an art educator, which has inspired the careers of many successful artists over 30 years of teaching. My process is likewise evolutionary. I am constantly revisiting my work to add additional elements that reflect the full intention of my vision for a particular piece.