

## **David Kiehm**

### Biography

Dave was born on November 7, 1962 in upstate New York and moved with his family to Montgomery County Pennsylvania where he graduated from North Penn High School in their Advanced Art Program. During these years he became interested in wildlife and was rarely seen without his binoculars, sketchpad and pencils. His realistic painting style comes from a lifetime of observing nature first hand. His love of all things wild translate into evocative images meticulously rendered to capture the intricacies of the animals and their world.

After graduating with high honors from School of Visual Arts In New York City he worked as an illustrator for wildlife magazines including Sports Afield, Field and Stream and Outdoor Life. He worked ten years as an Art Director for Danbury Mint. In 2006 he became a full-time fine artist and in 2013 Dave has been honored with awards nationally and internationally including the prestigious award: "BBC Wildlife Artist of the Year". The Judges said about Dave's painting, 'Foundation Wall': "This painting stood out in a competitive category because of its lovely composition, exquisite detail and excellent depiction of light."

Dave has traveled extensively throughout North America and Europe to observe wildlife and wild places for subjects for his paintings. These paintings have been shown at Marwell International Wildlife Society, UK, Roger Tory Peterson Institute Museum, The Houston Museum of Natural History, The Hiram Blauvelt Art Museum, and The Nature in Art Gallery and Museum, UK, to name a few. Dave lives and works in the foothills of the Catskill Mountains of New York with his family, including his golden retriever, Maggie.

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