
THE ART OF EZRA TUCKER

BRIEF BIOGRAPHY

Ezra Tucker is an artist who established his career as a painter by painting wildlife, most notably large mammals. More recently, he has focused on historic Black experience in The American West. The artist has drawn inspiration from various American Masters, beginning historically with N.C. Wyeth, the quintessential illustrator of The Golden Age of Illustration . . . which should not be surprising since Tucker himself began his career four decades ago in the field of illustration. Over the years, Tucker produced award-winning images for advertisements promoting a multitude of America's Fortune 500 Corporations and Hollywood Studios. These include paintings of Clydesdales for Budweiser, illustrations for a novel for the Lucas Films Star Wars franchise, and the image for the memorable poster to promote Paramount Pictures' re-release of the "Ten Commandments." His body of work also includes a plethora of other recognizable images for Bank of America, Chevron, Coca-Cola, CBS Records, Disney, Levi-Strauss, Lockheed, MGM Studios, National Forest Service, Outdoor Life Magazine, Pepsi, Sony Pictures, 20th Century Fox, and Universal Studios, to name but a few.

Tucker has said, "a successful work of fine art should be educational, inspirational, and entertaining and evoke an emotional response from the viewer." When painting wildlife imagery, the artist maintains an environmental ethic: "I hope that my work . . . inspires people to undertake the conservation efforts necessary to protect the endangered animal kingdom of our planet." Among his paintings of Black experience in The American West, "Called To Duty," has been praised for its depiction of troops from the United States Army 10th Cavalry, the first of six Black regiments nick-named Buffalo Soldiers by Native Americans, and others such as "Bass Reeves—US Marshal."

Ezra Tucker is represented by galleries nationwide including several near his home and studio in Colorado: The Broadmoor Galleries in Colorado Springs; Wild Horse Gallery in Steamboat Springs, CO; and Trailside Galleries in Jackson Hole, WY. Paintings by Ezra Tucker are internationally collected by private collectors, and corporate collectors; as well as government, e.g. The Pentagon's U.S. Air Force Art Program, Washington, D.C. Museum collections which contain his work include The Briscoe Western Art Museum in San Antonio, TX; The James Museum of Western & Wildlife Art in St. Petersburg, FL; and The Booth Western Art Museum in Cartersville, GA. Paintings by Ezra Tucker are routinely featured in group exhibitions such as those of The Society of Animal Artists which can trace its roots back to the Bronx Zoo and The Salmagundi Art Club on Fifth Avenue, and the America's Parks exhibition series. *The Art Of Ezra Tucker*, his first traveling museum exhibition, is scheduled to launch in The Summer of 2023.