

About the Artist
ELAINE WEISSBORN

Her paintings, as well as her origami creations, are on exhibit in the Cape Coral Library Art Gallery from Nov. 2 thru Dec. 27, 2023.

Elaine Weissborn has been interested in art and nature from an early age. Art classes in elementary and middle school were always a bright spot in her day. She briefly considered studying medical illustration as a way of combining her interests in both art and science. However, the need to obtain gainful employment led her to a Bachelor's degree in Medical Technology, and later in life to a Master's Degree in Library Information and Science. After over 20 years of service with the Lee County Library System, she retired from librarianship and was finally able to seriously pursue the creative arts. She started her painting journey with Pat St. Onge at the Cape Coral Art League, and has continued studying with several instructors at the Pine Island Art Association and with Patty Sole at the Cape Coral Art League. She has won awards at both art associations.

Elaine works with acrylic paints and originally found inspiration for painting from the works of the Florida Highwaymen and A.E. Backus. These paintings seemed to reflect her love of photographing the "Real Florida" as promoted by the Florida State Park System. She enjoys combining her interest in photography with painting, and frequently creates paintings from her own photographic prints. Her photography has been recognized in CHNEP annual calendars, by the Friends of Six Mile Cypress Slough, by the Friends of Cape Coral Wildlife Burrowing Owl Photo Contest, and by Florida Scenic Highways.

Origami has also been a passion for Elaine from an early age. She particularly enjoys the complex models of John Montroll; 3-D geometric origami; and the modular origami of Tomoko Fuse. The items on display are all folded and assembled from square origami paper. Some of the models are created from up to 30 identical carefully assembled units.

If you are interested in purchasing artwork on display in the gallery, you may contact Elaine via email to: elaine.weissborn@gmail.com