

# Voice for the Wild

## Greetings

*Time flies when you're having fun...*

We must really be having a wild time, because time continues to speed by at an alarming rate, and we never seem able to do everything we would like to. One of those things is to get in touch more often. But here we are once again, to keep you informed on what is going on in our corner of the world. We'll keep it short and sweet. The "Following David's Tracks" column contains information on confirmed events as of the time of this writing, but you can always read the latest by visiting David's website, as well as his new Facebook and You Tube pages (see the "How to Contact Us" box for details). Hope this finds you healthy and happy and, if we don't talk to you before then, have a wonderful Christmas, and a prosperous and blessed 2013! //

## In the Studio

*Originals and Reproductions*

### New Images

David's latest originals depict a wide variety of subjects, from many different parts of the world. To view them, follow the links in the Gallery section of the website. This section also includes information on prints and other merchandise. Please let us know if you have questions or would like more information about any item. As always, we would welcome your feedback. //



David and Robert Bateman with their paintings (AFC Festival 2012)

## In the Classroom

*Art Classes, Workshops, and Videos*

### Instructional DVDs

The second of David's instructional DVDs on acrylics techniques was released in 2011. Building on the information presented on the first acrylics workshop ("Reliable Results in Acrylics: A Medium Demystified"), in "Painting Nature's Textures in Acrylics" David teaches intuitive methods for imitating natural textures like grass, bark, feathers, and eyes. David further demonstrates how you can create optical texture by using his signature method of applying transparent washes over opaque layers.



To order either of the acrylics workshops or his previously released "Draw with Confidence: from Basic to Brilliant" in Canada, contact us directly. For orders to other countries, follow the links to Creative Catalyst (found on the Home page or on the Instructional DVDs page of David's website) and order online.

Also, if you like the flexibility of learning wherever an internet connection is available, you will love Creative Catalyst's new streaming service.

When you purchase a streaming video, you have instant access to view it any time, and as often as you like, for six months. Check out this new service by following the links to Creative Catalyst.

### Weekly Art Classes

David continues to teach weekly art classes in Calgary, which are open to students of all skill levels, working on any subject

and in any medium. Check out the website for more information.

### Workshops

Check the "Following David's Tracks" column or the website for information on upcoming workshops. If you belong to an art association or small group, and would like to have David teach a workshop in your area, call or email us for more information.

Also, David will be in Nosara, Costa Rica in January 2013, and would consider running a workshop there, if there is enough interest. If you would like to escape North America's winter, and combine top art instruction with wildlife viewing, beautiful beaches, and some well-deserved R&R, we would love to hear from you! //

## Highlights

*Awards & Recognition*

### International Artist

David is thrilled that his "Pelican Up Close" image has been selected as a finalist in International Artist's "Favorite Subjects" Competition, and will be featured in the Dec/Jan 2013 issue.

## How to Contact Us



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*Publisher and distributor of original paintings and reproductions by artist David N. Kitler*



Live demonstrations during "The Art of Conservation Festival" (2012)

### The Artist's Magazine

David and his work were showcased in a feature article in the April 2011 issue of *The Artist's Magazine*. The multi-page spread included several of David's latest pieces - with an emphasis on David's quest for uniqueness and originality in his work - along with another step-by-step demo on acrylics techniques. Also, the November 2011 issue featured 28 "tried and true" tools and tips provided by several artists, including two by David. If you didn't see these articles, you can still order back issues (in print or digital form) from northlightshop.com.

### North Light Books

Following the success of the first book, *Sketchbook Confidential 2* features the sketches, preliminary drawings, and finished work of 38 professional artists. David is thrilled to have had several of his sketches selected for inclusion in this book. The book gives readers a peak into the artists' minds via their sketchbooks, and is ideal for art students and teachers, aspiring artists, as well as art aficionados who want to see a little bit of the process behind the artists' finished pieces. Buy it at amazon.com, northlightshop.com, and most large book retailers. //

## In the Art World

*Exhibitions and Art Shows*

### "The Art of Conservation Festival"

David's "Madagascar - Creatures of the Night I" was awarded a **Medal of Excellence** at this international exhibit in 2010. And each year since, David was honoured to have two of his paintings juried into this prestigious art show. The Artists for Conservation Festival is a

signature cultural event featuring 10 days of art and environmental education, and connecting people to nature through a world-class art exhibit and sale, as well as lectures, workshops, live artist demos, First Nations performances, and film. During the Festival David taught youth and adult workshops, and participated in painting demonstrations. Read all about it at festival.artistsforconservation.org.

### Upcoming Art Shows

In the upcoming months, David's work will be shown throughout North America. Check the "Following David's Tracks" column or David's website for dates, locations, and contact information for all upcoming events. We hope that you will have a chance to personally (or virtually) attend some of them. //



Llanobonito girl

## Get Involved

*How you can make a difference*

### Panama

David plans to return to the Emberá village of **Llano Bonito** in February 2013. Last time he was there, David led a group, who spent a week working side by side with the natives to build much needed sanitation facilities. This time, David and his wife Ly will be delivering more of the **school and personal care supplies** that many of you have donated. They will also be assisting the villagers on assessing the feasibility of planting vegetable gardens, along with other health, educational, and fundraising initiatives.

While in Panama, David will also visit Panama City's **Metropolitan Park** to



David's work awarded Medal of Excellence (AFC Festival 2010)

deliver supplies for their **wildlife rehabilitation** programs.

The needs in that part of the world are great and, if you would like to help in any way, please check the **Get Involved** section of David's website or contact us directly. Your generosity can make a real difference to the people and to wildlife conservation in that area.

For all the background on David's AFC Flag Expedition and how he met the people of Llano Bonito, visit the AFC Flag Expedition pages in the News section of David's website. //

## Following David's Tracks



### The Society of Animal Artists' 52nd Annual Exhibition "Art and the Animal"

**Sept. 1, 2012 - Jan. 31, 2013**

Hiram Blauvelt Art Museum  
Oradell, NJ

**Feb. 1 - Apr. 26, 2013**

The Art Museum  
University of Kentucky  
Lexington, KY

**May 18 - Jun. 30, 2013**

Kenosha Public Museum  
Kenosha, WI

**Jul. 12 - Aug. 31, 2013**

Charles H. MacNider Art Museum  
Mason City, IA

For additional information, visit:  
[www.societyofanimalartists.com](http://www.societyofanimalartists.com)



**January 2013**

### "Wildlife in Acrylics" Workshop

Nosara, Costa Rica

For additional information, email:  
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**May 17-19, 2013**

### "Wildlife in Acrylics" Workshop

Vankleek Hill, ON

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