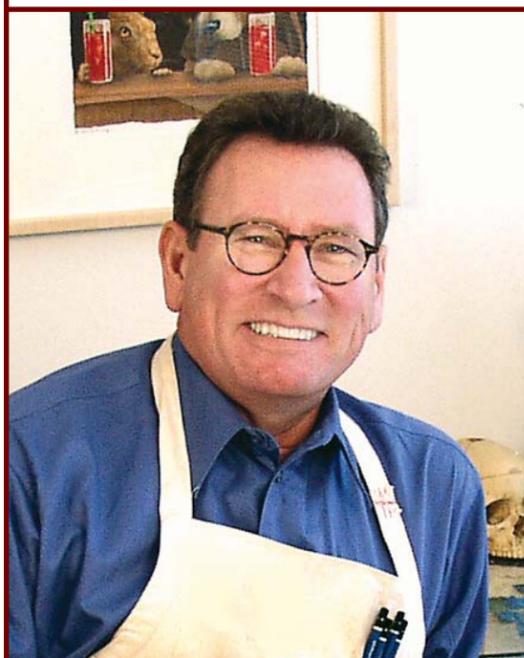




# Will Bullas



*If you look at the body of work I've created, it adds up to a big smile. I find that laughter always tips the scales. Don't sweat the small stuff, they say. Well, my work is about the small stuff. When you combine an image with one of the countless bits of jargon we are always using, you end up with a pretty funny package.*

—WB

Born in Ohio and raised in the Southwest, Will Bullas enrolled at Arizona State University and was majoring in fine arts with a minor in dramatic arts when he was drafted. In Vietnam, his first professional pieces were pencil portraits of fellow soldiers, which were sent to loved ones back home.

Returning from military duty, he enrolled in the Brooks Institute of Fine Art in Santa Barbara, California and graduated with a degree in oil painting. With the encouragement of his wife, Claudia, he then quit his printing press job—reproducing the work of other artists—and concentrated on his own art.

That was the beginning of a yearlong voyage across the Midwest and Southwest, where Bullas sold his work to many appreciative art lovers. The couple settled in Carmel, California, where Will's exclusive relationship with galleries resulted in a growing group of dedicated, enthusiastic collectors.

Bullas' work now graces a wide range of popular products, including high fashion t-shirts, note cards, coffee mugs and even 100% silk neckwear. His books, *a fool and his bunny...* and *a fool moon...* have been published to acclaim with introductions by inveterate fans Clint Eastwood and Doris Day. His vision has taken on further dimension as works of art in porcelain from the Greenwich Workshop® Collection. Will is illustrating his first book for young people titled, *A is for ART*, to be released in the fall of 2006 by Sleeping Bear Press.

Will's awards include the Strathmore Award at the 1981 Rocky Mountain National Watermedia Exhibition, the William G. Morrison Award from the Adirondacks Exhibition of American Watercolors, the First Place Award at the 1990 Signature Membership Exhibition of the National Watercolor Society and the California Watercolor Association's 1997 Silver Medal. He is a proud member of the American Watercolor Society, the National Watercolor Society and the Knickerbocker Artists of New York. In 2002, Will was awarded the prestigious Dagmar Tribble Memorial Award by the American Watercolor Society.

Will continues to receive accolades not only for his original watercolors, but for graphic design in packaging and poster work. He and his wife Claudia live and create in San Francisco. Claudia designs and maintains the WILLBULLAS.COM website.

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