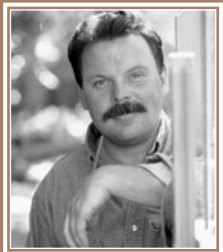




CAPE MAY LIGHT | PLEIN AIR COLLECTION

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“Cape May Light,” which clings to the southernmost tip of New Jersey, is far-famed for its stately height and majestic simplicity of line. It soars up from the shore, and has provided long and faithful service to generations of sailors.

I am a great admirer of lighthouses. Their powerful beacons, penetrate fog and rain, they stand in splendid isolation against the buffeting of wind and wave. To me, a lighthouse is an emblem of faith and hope, reminding us that we endure life’s storms only through the grace of God.

When I set up my easel and canvas before “Cape May Light,” one of the frequent fogs that often blanket the coast had shrouded the lighthouse. In fact, the fog was so dense that it hid the top of the light from my sight. I feared that I’d have to pack up my paints and come back another day, when suddenly the fog parted, as if a mighty hand had swept it away.

The sky became a vibrant cerulean blue, and sunlight bathed the lighthouse in a beam that comes only from a heavenly source. I sat down to my task, hoping to complete my work while the magical light remained. I tried to capture the exhilaration of that wonderful moment in my painting. I hope that I have succeeded.

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