Fantasy and Fault Lines

(SANTA ANA, CA) – Now on display through May 17, 2023, is a selection of new artworks by San Juan Capistrano artist Kimberleigh Wood. Taking a flight out of John Wayne Airport? Be sure to check the tabletop display cases at each security line to glimpse a serene landscape captured in acrylics and oils.



Mission Garden Bench SJC, 2023

Southern California is a land of fantasy and fault lines. The neighborhoods here are shaped and reshaped every twenty years. They are torn down and rebuilt with the regularity of a Hollywood sound stage. In a bustling metropolis, it's not hard to be detached, unsentimental. This constant change fuels Wood's desire to freeze a moment in time and apply it to canvas.

Kimberleigh Wood is a West Coast native who started painting at the age of 62. Self-taught, she paints three to eight hours a day, documenting the California landscape and the culture surrounding her.



Artist Kimberleigh Wood at her exhibition at City of Hope

"In 2019, I made the move to San Juan Capistrano. Inspiration now blooms through a place with deep and tangled roots. It calls on my consciousness to fill in the blanks and embellish the story. With paint, scribbles, and scratches I transcribe the landscapes of South Orange County into bright, deconstructed shapes, over-layed with textured and muted tones. My paintings are a snapshot made permanent for the viewer to step into and wander through," says Kimberleigh Wood of her art.

To learn more about Kimberleigh and her work, visit <u>www.kimberleighwood.com</u> or follow her on Instagram @hausofwood.



Terra Cotta Pots, 2022, Installed in Baggage Area B

The entire collection of work is viewable pre-security. Paintings span from the upper Departure Level near security in Terminals A, B, and C and on the lower Arrivals Level by Baggage Carousels 2 and 4.

For more information about the John Wayne Airport Arts Program, visit www.ocair.com/terminal/artexhibits.