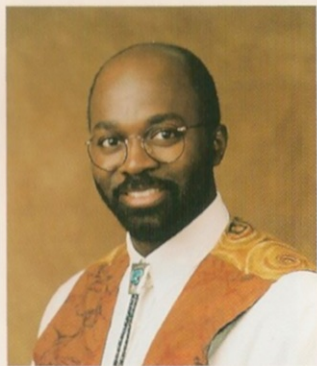


JONATHAN M. KNIGHT – 1996 EXHIBITION JUDGE



A positive mental attitude and a gentle manly treatment of others characterizes Jonathan Knight. He, like almost all recognized artists, began with an early interest in art that has matured with him. Jonathan started private painting lessons at age twelve which led years later to his graduation with top honors from the Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale. He now serves on the institute's school board. He was recently inducted into the Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale's Hall of Fame honoring a decade of his accomplishments. In 1991 Jonathan decided to devote all of his time to his second career as a fine artist and left his job as an illustrator for Hallmark Cards, Inc. His success is evident in his rapidly growing reputation nationally and internationally as an excellent fine artist. Jonathan loves his art and devotes his efforts to it and all the activities that come with success not with arrogance, but with gentle and modest acceptance.

Accomplished in watercolors, oils, pastels and printmaking this talented artist has had his work featured in and or on the cover of various magazines: *American Artists*; *The Artist's*; *Watercolor95*; *American Visions* and *Decor* as well as a feature cover story in the *Kansas City Star* his local newspaper.

JUROR STATEMENT

The Miniature Art Society of Florida represents the highest level of professional miniature painters, sculptors, calligraphers and printmakers from around the world. To be selected as the judge for this year's exhibition has been quite an honor.

The world of such specialized diminutive works dates back to the seventh century and has continued to sustain its forceful and very qualitative presence into the fine art arena today. The visual excellence and diversity of works created by the artists in this exhibition are intriguingly stimulating and technically exquisite.

With talent of such quality it was difficult to make final decisions. All entries accepted by the jury are considered award winners, however a special congratulations go to the top award winners whose works exemplified supreme excellence.

I would like to commend the Miniature Art Society of Florida for its leadership in continuing to set the standards of excellence in the world of miniature art.

Jonathan M. Knight