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Doherty has written dozens of magazine articles and several art books, including: *The Watson-Guption Handbook of Landscape Painting*, *Dynamic Still Lifes in Watercolor*, *Business Letters for Artists*, and *The Artist in the Landscape: Thomas Kinkade and the Plein Air Tradition* (Watson-Guption Publications, Inc.); *Creative Oil Painting*, and *Color Choices: Watercolor* (Rockport Publishers).

Doherty is an active outdoor painter who relishes the opportunity to paint in Westchester County where the great 19<sup>th</sup> century artists gained inspiration. He also carries his portable painting supplies with him when traveling around the United States and Europe, focusing on the unique look of each location. His paintings of the south have been featured at the Bryant Galleries in New Orleans, Louisiana and Jackson, Mississippi; and he was included in a group exhibition of plein air painters at Tree's Place Gallery on Cape Cod. Two of his paintings are included in a traveling exhibition titled "From Sea to Shining Sea" organized by the Haggin Museum in Stockton, California.

Doherty serves on the advisory boards of several arts organizations, including the New York Academy of Art, The Florence Academy, and the Portrait Society of America. He has been a judge of the *Arts for the Parks* competition (1997 & 1998), *Birds in Art* (Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum, 1999), the Toledo Fine Arts Society, the South Carolina Watercolor Society, the Tennessee Watercolor Society, the Hilton Head Art League, Watercolor West, the Winter Park Arts Festival, The National Oil & Acrylic Painters Society, and the International Association of Pastel Societies.

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