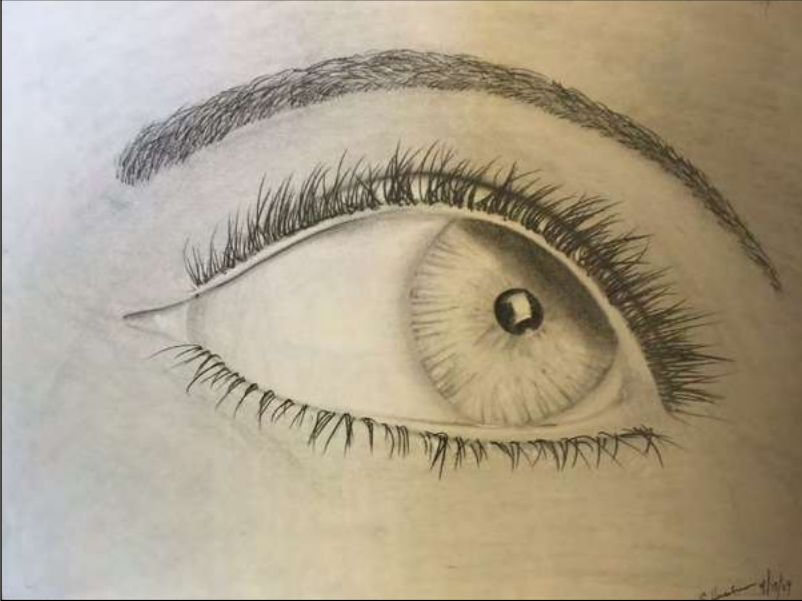




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**“Art does not reproduce what we see.
It makes us see.”**

Paul Klee

How simple, but think about Paul Klee’s statement. Whether a studio artist, plein air artist, or both, we as artists tend to “see” what others don’t. We also “see” and remove to “see” less. We often try not to “see!” We use view finders to limit the amount of what is in front of us. We are constantly “seeing” for the next body of work. We squint to “see” better! What!?!?!? Yes, squint to “see” better.

As artists, we walk around the world always looking for the next painting. We ask ourselves is what we are seeing of any interest? Is it interesting enough to paint? What will others “see” if we paint the scene in front of us?

Go out and “see,” paint and show the world a different way to “see!”

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