



Ellis Jump

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MN

“ I took a sculpting class from Ellis in 1980 at Ventura Community College. Every breakfast that I eat peanut butter toast, I remember Ellis sharing an insight about his monkey that is so smart it ate its toast with jam flipped over so the jam hit its tongue first. That was 43 years ago. I still use his process for making plaster molds today. He was a great teacher. Warmly, Marty Ann Newcomb

Margaret A Newcomb - July 04, 2023 at 07:02 AM

AM

“ So sorry to learn of the passing of Ellis. Ellis remains one of my all time favorite client and friend. I always so appreciated Ellis' subtle humor and wit. Although they moved from Bainbridge Island some years ago I often thought of both Ellis and Beverly with much admiration. I know Ellis will be greatly missed by friends and family. Andy Moore

Andy Moore - February 19, 2022 at 09:41 PM

BD

“ I'm so sad to read of Ellis' passing. Beverly, I'm so sorry for your loss. Not only was he a wonderful friend, he taught me to see art every where. And you lit up his life so sweetly. It was such a delight to spend time with the two of you. I hold these memories dearly in my heart. Bonnie Dawson

Bonnie Dawson - February 19, 2022 at 02:33 AM

MA

“ My husband and I took Ellis’ 2-d design class at Ventura College in the 1990s. I’d studied art for decades, with many wonderful teachers but Ellis’ class - no hyperbole - brought it all together for me. His was the most impactful art class I’d ever taken. He turned on a light for me. His ingenious assignments taught me how really look, really see. He gave me the confidence to trust my creative voice which propelled me become a graphic design, artist, and art instructor. His lessons flow into everything I create. Thank you Ellis. All my best to his family.

marianne - January 30, 2022 at 12:21 PM

JB

“ Someone once said, when you are a teacher, you never know where your influence ends. I was a student who received some of Ellis Jump’s kind and helpful influence as so many did. Returning to study art after decades raising a family and working, I needed to feel I was in the right place. Being in Mr. Jump’s class, and receiving his generous encouragement and excellent critiques, was wind in my back, and put me on the course I am on now, making and loving art, and knowing the fine companionship of other artists. Many blessings and comfort to the Jump family. He has left behind many many grateful students and artists who continue to spread his influence into the world.

Janet Black - January 28, 2021 at 12:09 AM



“ I'm so saddened to hear of Ellis' death and Beverly - I am full of sorrow for you.

Ellis taught me that an artist exhibits fine craftsmanship. I know this sounds odd - but for me, making an exact line with pen and ink and not having any of it bleed was a big deal. I learned not only how to sculpt in stone, but how to paint, good composition, how to use power tools, how to make frames... the list goes on and on. I remember when we bought our first house and I wanted a wood window frame and sill, I knew I could do it because Ellis taught me. He was also very supportive of serious students. My husband and I didn't have much money then, but he always found ways to assist me while keeping my pride. One time, I had an old blanket that we all do for sculpture, he spilled some ink on it and insisted on giving me new Italian rasps to compensate.

Beyond teaching, he was also a friend. I can't say how many times we went to a restaurant in Ventura for happy hour. I don't really drink that much - so I never had alcohol - but the Mexican shrimp cocktail was a winner! He would talk about Beverly and what a wonderful person and artist she was. At that point, I hadn't met her, but once I did - I was taken with her. Beverly - your sense of humor, the love you and Ellis shared and the love for your family were so obvious when you two were together.

I know Kevin also enjoyed being with the two of you as well.

Ellis always treated me with respect as an artist and a human. I think of you often.

Beverly, wishing you the best.



Christine Beirne - January 27, 2021 at 12:35 PM

WF

“ Lynn & I were saddened by the news of Ellis's passing.

We have many fond memories of times spent with him & Bev over the years.

I also have great memories of the 15-20 years that Ellis was my stone carving instructor at Ventura College... his classes were always great learning experiences - & - a LOT of fun too !

Our thots & prayers are with the Jump family ... may Ellis rest in peace.

*Wayne & Lynn Flaaten
Whidbey Island, WA*

Wayne Flaaten - January 27, 2021 at 01:14 AM