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About the cover

The featured piece “Attitude” is painted with acrylics by the artist, Kairong Liu. Mr. Liu immigrated to the United States in 1981 from China, studied art at Westmar University (BA), Lemars, Iowa and received his Masters in Fine Arts (MFA) from the University of South Dakota in 1988.

For more than 30 years, he has worked with oil or acrylic paints. He specializes in landscapes and garden scenes in the Impressionistic Style and also paints many other subjects such as people and animals.

His work has been commissioned by numerous banks, hospitals, major retail businesses, institutes, corporations and private collectors throughout the country including the Mayo Clinic, Cargill, Wells Fargo, and the Federal Reserve Bank to name a few. Two of his large paintings were selected by the Minnesota Historical Society for the Governor’s Mansion. In 2004, he was awarded first place for one of his paintings at the Minnesota State Fair Art Juried Exhibition.

He teaches privately in his studio in Edina, Minnesota and can be reached at 612-245-1937. More information may be obtained on his website at www.kairongart.com. The artist resides in Eagan, Minnesota.

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