

# Explore Guatemala...



...with **Kaye Franklin**, who has traveled and taught workshops in Portugal, Hawaii, France, Carmel, and now Guatemala, in addition to her many workshops throughout the United States and weekly local classes.

Kaye began her art career in Pagosa Springs, Colorado. Four years later, in 1979, she began a serious quest for the best art schools and instructors. She studied at

the Scottsdale Artist School and with Connecticut artist William Henry Earle. Kaye's pursuit of excellence has won her the deepest respect of her students, peers, and serious collectors. She has received many national awards and honors that have culminated in her recognition as master pastelist, and her election to signature membership in the Pastel Society of America and Oil Painters of America.

The elements in her artwork consist of light, color, and focal point. She likes working with both pastels and oils. Pastels show immediate results and they stay brilliant, oils allow you to create new colors from existing pigments.

Kaye's work can be seen at the Victorian Gallery in Dallas, Texas and Zantman Gallery in Ketchum, Idaho as well as on her web-site at [www.kayefranklin.com](http://www.kayefranklin.com).

## Setting and Accommodations...

**Guatemala City...**Here you will stay at the Quinta Real ([www.quintareal.com](http://www.quintareal.com)); a resplendent blend of Guatemalan and Mexican art and architecture overlooking Guatemala City and facing the colossal "Fuego" and "Aguá" volcanoes.

**Finca Los Tarrales...**Experience an authentic Guatemala Coffee Plantation and Private Reserve with its exotic flower operation exporting the world over. Sleeping and dining in screened-in plantation lodges will evoke visions of "Out of Africa". Los Tarrales encompasses over 3000 acres of pristine forest ascending the south side of Volcano Atitlán.

**Lake Atitlán and Villages...** Lake Atitlán, known as "the most beautiful lake in the world" is surrounded by three towering volcanoes standing guard over the azure waters and the twelve Maya villages that rest on its shores. You will feel suspended in time as you watch a Maya fisherman in his dugout *cayuco* plying his trade as his ancestors have done for centuries. You will stay at the Hotel Atitlán ([www.hotelatitlan.com](http://www.hotelatitlan.com)), on the water's edge, engulfed by beautiful botanical gardens; a truly inspirational location.

**Chichicastenango...**This world famous Maya market is resplendent and brimming with beautiful hand woven textiles and splendid works of art and crafts in designs and techniques passed on from generation to generation. The Maya/Catholic rituals and open-air market of "Chichi" and the blazing colors of everyday dress will enthrall you.

**Antigua...**Step back into time almost five hundred years ago when the Spanish conquistadores invaded Guatemala. Draped in vibrant bougainvillea and surrounded by towering volcanoes, this picturesque, time trapped city of Antigua will capture your heart with its romantic ambience of peaceful parks, cobblestone streets, ruined churches, monasteries, and colonial homes with courtyards. In Antigua you will stay at the **Hotel Casa Santo Domingo**, built from the ruins of a 16<sup>th</sup> century monastery [www.casasantodomingo.com.gt](http://www.casasantodomingo.com.gt). The sounds of running water in the stone-carved fountains, candlelight throughout the hallways and fresh flowers everywhere will simply take your breath away.

## Tikal Add-On (pre-workshop) Aug 24 - 25

Discover Tikal, the lost world once inhabited by the ancient Maya more than two thousand years ago, a legacy to one of the most refined civilizations in the history of the world. Mammoth pyramids with temples on top attest to the skill, intelligence, and high civilization of these ancient peoples. Who were they? Why did they disappear? Their voices speak from the dust through the ruins they left behind, ruins that rival any Egyptian site.



## To enroll...

Detach and fill out the registration form and send it with your deposit or full payment check. (**group size limited**, date of registration request determines priority of space). Upon enrollment, additional information will be provided to assist you in planning your trip. **Do not make Airline arrangements until notified by Explore Guatemala to do so.**

**August 25 - September 3, 2008**  
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## Registration Request

Name appearing on your passport / passport number:  
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Name you go by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: M/F \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical/Dietary considerations:  
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\_\_\_\_\_ I am on my own but wish to share a room.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am a smoker.

\_\_\_\_\_ I prefer the single supplement charge.

\_\_\_\_\_ *Tikal Add-On*

Enclosed is check/money order

**Payable to: Explore Guatemala, L.L.C.**  
**Mail to: P.O.BOX 17217, San Antonio, TX 78217**

Deposit: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ or Total Fee: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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(signature indicates you have read our Terms & Conditions available on our web-site)



**Paint Guatemala with  
Kaye Franklin  
August 25 – September 3, 2008**

**Tikal Option August 24 - 25, 2008**

**Sun 24<sup>th</sup>:** Arrive Guatemala City, 5PM flight to Flores. (D)

**Mon 25<sup>th</sup>:** Spend a day of awe and fascination in the Maya ruins of Tikal. Return to Guatemala City. (B,L)

**Itinerary....August 25 – September 3, 2008**

**Mon 25<sup>th</sup>:** Fly into Guatemala City, overnight at Hotel Quinta Real, on a mountainside overlooking the city and volcanoes.

**Tue 26<sup>th</sup>:** Travel to the village of Comalapa, an important center of *naif* painting. A wonderful Maya market here. Travel through some of the most beautiful scenery in Guatemala to Finca Los Tarrales, a private reserve with a coffee plantation, exotic flower growing operation, bird watching, and scenic trails. Demo of paint sketching on location by Kaye. (B,L,D)

**Wed 27<sup>th</sup>:** Up early for the birders and exploration of the finca. Sketching and photography. After lunch, travel to the “most beautiful lake in the world”, Lake Atitlán and the Hotel Atitlán, surrounded by botanical gardens, towering volcanoes, terraced mountainsides, villages and a beautiful lake view. Demo by Kaye and discussion of light followed by all painting. (B,L,D)

**Thu 28<sup>th</sup>:** On-sight painting and drawing time with instruction in the gardens of the Hotel Atitlán. Free afternoon for individual instruction or exploring the botanical gardens or the nearby nature walk. We will go to the local village of Panajachel. (B,L,D)

**Fri 29<sup>th</sup>:** Take a leisurely boat ride with a stop at the scenic village of Santiago and a little shopping in the artists’ colony. Today will be a day of photography involving discussions regarding what to look for. (B,L,D)

**Sat 30<sup>th</sup>:** On-sight painting and sketching instruction in the botanical gardens of the Hotel Atitlán. Free afternoon for individual instruction, exploring the nearby villages, garden walking, or sitting by the pool and jacuzzi with a good book. (B,L,D)

**Sun 31<sup>st</sup>:** Travel to Chichicastenango and its world famous market; colorful, exciting; a maelstrom of feverish commerce and the best place in the country to buy textiles and handicrafts. The magic of the Maya and their religion is everywhere. Travel to colonial Antigua where you’ll feel the romantic ambiance of its flower-filled courtyards, its narrow cobbled streets, and Spanish architecture. (B,L,D)

**Mon 1<sup>st</sup>:** Kaye will do a demo and individual guidance in the ruins of a Convent. Explore the Casa Santo Domingo, an architectural delight, full of colonial artwork. It is an ongoing archeological excavation site with several “world class” museums. Visit the Jade factory and shop, whose archeologist owners rediscovered the lost jade mines of the ancient Maya. Afterwards, exploring and shopping on your own. (B,L)

**Tue 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Awaken to the raucous calls of the Macaws. Breakfast in a local café and a visit to the market, then we have the rest of the day free to paint, explore, or shop on your own. (B)

**Wed 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Say goodbye to Antigua and Guatemala, for today we must leave for home taking memories to last a lifetime.

**Accompanying your Workshop/Tour**

**Anita Rogers** lived in Guatemala for 25 years, speaks Spanish, and was a collector of Maya weavings and Spanish Colonial antiques. She has been around the travel industry most of her life, as her family owns the beautiful Hotel Atitlán on Lake Atitlán in the Guatemala highlands. **John Korte** has traveled to Guatemala for the past 20 years. They understand local customs and business practices. They stay in the hotels, eat in the restaurants, and ride the transportation, personally experiencing every aspect of their workshop/tours. They know the “hidden treasures” as well as the little bits of information only the locals know. Their experience, relationships, and knowledge of the country allow them to provide a worry-free, life enriching travel adventure.

**Included in your Explore Guatemala Experience:**

- A superbly crafted travel experience to the most enchanting, magical land of the Maya...Guatemala.
- Travel with renowned artist Kaye Franklin.
- 10 days, 9 nights at unique and luxury hotels with meals and meal service tips included (per itinerary).
- Deluxe motor coaches and private boats viewing the most scenic and colorful venues...an artists paradise.
- Hotel baggage handling, driver tips, as well as all entrance fees and excursions included in itinerary.

**NOT included:**

- Airfare from your hometown to Guatemala City. Our flexible plan allows you to:
  1. use your Frequent Flyer miles to obtain your own tickets
  2. **or**, purchase your tickets through your own sources
  3. **or**, go through our **discount ticketing** resource, eXito, a company specializing in low-cost airfare to Latin America. Call Isaac at 1-800-655-4053 ext. 8507 or 0 if not available. Tell him you are traveling with **Explore Guatemala – Kaye Franklin Group**. Isaac will arrange for everyone to arrive in Guatemala City by the appointed time.

Obviously, the sooner you make your reservation, the better the price and availability. **Do not make airline arrangements until notified by Explore Guatemala to do so.**

**Prices:**

- **\$1995** Plus airfare (based on double occupancy)
- Single room supplement: **\$365**
- **Reservation Deposit: \$500**
- Tikal add-on: \$415 DBL \$465 SGL

**RESERVE NOW - GROUP SIZE LIMITED**

◆ **This trip requires a moderate amount of walking** ◆