

Commissioning a Portrait

The first step is getting an idea of the size and mood for your portrait and how you want to be portrayed; this includes selecting a background, clothing, any jewelry or personal objects. For many, portraits are a legacy -- it might get handed down through generations and often displayed in public. If a sitter is unsure how to go about this, I usually will help select items and set up a variety of scenarios until we have come to something the client is happy with. Any objects, colors, or ideas you have -- the more the better.

Next I take several photographs, different positions and settings until we have decided on at least three options. Because I work from photos (especially in the cases of children and pets) and may not be able to take them myself due to geographical constraints, you can also send or email some good quality photos – the more the better. This is often the case when people commission me for a spouse or friend as a surprise gift. From the photographs I then produce several drawings. These are sent to the client and once a final drawing has been chosen, the painting begins.

When I have completed your painting you will get a digital copy to see if any changes should be made. After your final approval I will invoice you for the remaining balance, usually via PayPal, before delivery. Please allow at least 3 weeks for 5x7”– 11x14” works. While the painting may be done, drying time is needed before being delivered to the client.

For additional question or a copy of the commission agreement please contact me arabellaproffer@gmail.com

Pricing breakdown below...

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	1 Sitter	2 Sitters	3 Sitters	4 Sitters
5x7"	\$250	x	x	x
8x10" –9x12"	\$500	\$600	x	x
11x14"	\$600	\$800	x	x
14x18"	\$800	\$900	\$1000	x
16x20 – 20x20"	\$1000	\$1100	\$1200	x
18x24 – 30x30	\$1200	\$1300	\$1500	\$1700
24x36"	\$1400	\$1700	\$1900	\$2100
36x56"	\$2100	\$2300	\$2500	\$3000

- Canvas sizes larger than 56 inches please consult me -- as additional materials may be needed. Pricing above is a flat rate and no additional costs will be added for materials for time.
- A 50% deposit is required by PayPal or by check. Within 5 days of payment you will receive the preliminary sketches.
- Transportation and shipping of the work will be handled by the me.
- Pricing above does not include framing.
- Works can be either on canvas or panel, please tell me if you have a preference.

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