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20th Anniversary for American Legacy Fine Arts

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American Legacy Fine Arts presents the "20th Anniversary Exhibition: Celebrating a Legacy of Excellence and Premier Art," a group exhibition that highlights a curated selection of paintings and sculptures including more than 40 new works from gallery artists.



Nikita Budkov, "Of Sorrow and Love"

Oil on linen, 30 x 24 in.

The exhibition is on view by appointment at the gallery in Pasadena, California, through Saturday, December 16, 2023, and on the gallery's website, americanlegacyfinearts.com.



Stephen Mirich, "Autumn Marsh; Harbor City, San Pedro," oil on panel, 18 x 24 in.

On "Autumn Marsh; Harbor City, San Pedro"

"The waxing gibbous moonrise at Bixby Slough, also known as Machado Lake and Harbor Regional Park, is located in Harbor City and close to where I live in San Pedro. It has been a favorite painting location for me for many years. This was once the path of the Los Angeles River. Now, it is a park, where you can feel like you're deep in the wilderness."

— Stephen Mirich



Jennifer Moses, "Moonrise Celebration," oil on linen panel, 24 x 26 in.

On "Moonrise Celebration"

"Fireworks, an aerial celebration of shimmering explosions that burst across the night sky. With each explosion, a magnificent display of shapes and lights appears at the pinnacle in a rainbow of colors, then falls and fades into darkness leaving behind a swirling cloud of smoke. I have found something ethereal and mysterious in them. Each one is unlike the next and their unique journey provides endless variations within this mystical and celebratory theme."

—Jennifer Moses

More from the gallery:

Founded two decades ago by Elaine Adams, wife of renowned artist Peter Adams, American Legacy Fine Arts (ALFA) emerged as a sanctuary for traditional art forms in painting and sculpture. ALFA is driven by a commitment to feature the finest in contemporary and historic traditional art and to uphold the credentials of gallery artists as significant additions to any fine art collection. The gallery has become a haven for artists and art enthusiasts who share a profound appreciation for exceptional art.

The 20th Anniversary Exhibition will spotlight more than 30 artists, including Peter Adams, Béla Bácsi, Peter Brooke, Nikita Budkov, Steve Curry, Karl Dempwolf, Kathleen Dunphy, Michael Godfrey, Richard Humphrey, Chuck Kovacic, Jean LeGassick, Calvin Liang, Jim McVicker, Stephen Mirich, Jennifer Moses, Charles Muench, Michael Obermeyer, Tony Peters, Daniel W. Pinkham, Dan Schultz, Kevin Short, Amy Sidrane, Mian Situ, Michael Situ, W. Jason Situ, Christopher Slatoff, Alexey Steele, William Stout, Jove Wang and Mary Kay West.

On “Primal Serenity”

“This enigmatic being, grappling with the weight of a world slipping through their grasp, a fusion of might and compassion. The hands may not hold salvation. Bound by an unbreakable, gentle resolve, this figure finds itself unable to preserve its realm, yet remains the vigilant observer, a silent, stoic witness to the unabating drift of worlds.”

— Adam Matano



Adam Matano, “Primal Serenity,” bronze,
9 x 6 x 5 in.

On "Winter Begins; Truckee River"

"I painted this piece in the studio using studies done along the Truckee River in January. The cold temps only allowed for small, fast studies and I was anxious to spend more time on this more extensive, larger work back home in the comfort and warmth of my studio."

—Kathleen Dunphy



Kathleen Dunphy, "Winter Begins; Truckee River", Oil on linen, 24" x 48"

The driving force behind ALFA is Gallery Director Elaine Adams, recognized as one of the nation's most visible and influential proponents behind the growing interest and appreciation in traditional and classical fine arts.

"American Legacy Fine Arts is excited to celebrate our 20th anniversary," Elaine said. "We are proud to be recognized for encouraging artists to exercise the freedom to create works that truly inspire them and allow them to reveal their own unique personalities. In turn, we provide art enthusiasts with the opportunity to develop a discerning eye, form emotional connections, and stimulate their senses by living with art."