

Celebration of Fine Art



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Cave Creek Artists to Show in 18th Annual Celebration of Fine Art *Juried, Invitational Show Takes Place January 12 - March 23, 2008 in Scottsdale*

(Scottsdale, AZ) – Six of the finest artists from Cave Creek will show in the Celebration of Fine Art which takes place under the “Big White Tent” January 12 - March 23, 2008 in Scottsdale, Arizona. In its 18th year, the Celebration of Fine Art, a fusion of the best of art galleries, art studios and art shows, brings 100 of the top international and U.S. artists to Scottsdale. Cave Creek artists who have been invited to participate in this juried show include: Melissa Behr, Tom Belloni, Steve Failows, Marty Le Messurier, Sheri Meldrum and Christine Sutherland.

New to the Celebration of Fine Art this year, Tom Belloni will be showing his wall sculptures. He will be joined by Marty Le Messurier who has been with the Celebration since its first year. Le Messurier is known for her beautiful Indian beadwork, paintings and landscapes. Since 1992, Steve Failows has created one-of-a-kind kaleidoscopes which vary in size from small hand held to grand floor models. The husband and wife team of Sheri and Ralph Meldrum work in copper, brass and steel to create copper wall art for inside and outside use. Christine Sutherland uses vibrant colors combined with texture to create contemporary silk paintings. Former model, actress and film producer, Melissa Behr now works to perfect her craft as a mixed media artist using paint and photography in her works.

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“Our visitors can meet the artists and watch them working in the full spectrum of art media in all styles and a wide variety of subjects. Being able to watch artists create art is part of what makes our show so special,” said Susan Morrow Potje, one of the show’s four organizers. The show is designed so that first time buyers-to-serious collectors are comfortable in this inviting atmosphere.

More than 40,000 square feet under the tents are filled with works by known and emerging artists. In addition to the tented areas, the show features a landscaped sculpture garden which is nearly an acre in size. Sculpture created specifically for outdoor use in a garden, patio, pool area or corporate or public environment is displayed.

The Celebration of Fine Art has been called “One of the West’s Premier Art Events” by *Art & Antiques* magazine and attracts more than 50,000 visitors over the 10 weeks of the show. “The show is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. seven days a week from January 12 through March 23, 2008. Celebration of Fine Art is located in Scottsdale, Arizona on Scottsdale Road just south of the Loop 101 at Exit 34 in the “Big White Tent.” Ticket price is \$8.00 for adults and \$7.00 for seniors and military. Special events are free with admission. The Celebration of Fine Art ticket is an all-event pass that is good for all 10 weeks of the show and sale. Children under 12 are admitted at no charge. A café on the premises serves light fare. For information on the show and participating artists, visit the web site www.celebrateart.com.

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