UPCOMING AT THE ARTWALK

Presented by Scottsdale Gallery Association

_Hundreds of Artworks to Browse or Buy, Live Music, New Gifts, Artist Receptions, Live Demonstrations, Food Sampling, Wine Sipping_

SCOTTSDALE, AZ – ‘Twas the week after Christmas...

In the days caught between Christmas and the new year there are plenty of sales to pursue but some may be exhausted by shopping and feel there’s not much left to buy. They may be mistaken. This odd interregnum, during which we are forced to take stock of the past year and make vows for the one that lies ahead, represents a great opportunity to purchase art – a gift to yourself or others for the new year. And browsing art is the opposite of exhausting, especially if done with a glass of wine in hand during the ArtWalk. It’s safe to say that art is one purchase that can serve to refill the soul, no matter what time of the year.

The Scottsdale ArtWalk, presented by the Scottsdale Gallery Association, is a weekly event and has been since its launch 41 years ago, of course (with the exception of Thanksgiving). The weekly nature still applies in years like 2015 in which Christmas Eve and New Year’s Eve fall on Thursday.

Some galleries will be open this Thursday, which of course is New Year’s Eve. What better way to reflect on the old and the new than by strolling the ArtWalk streets and browsing beautiful paintings and other artworks.

Looking beyond the holidays, a special Saturday ArtWalk – Art on the Asphalt – is set for January 9 from noon to 4pm. A mix of working artists and cool, collectible cars will exhibit along the ArtWalk blocks and ‘50s and ‘60s music will fill the air, along with other musical entertainment.

Featured as always and on this Thursday will be local, national and international art at galleries in the heart of Scottsdale. Look for the blue “ArtWalk the Line” insignia on sidewalks along Main Street and Marshall Way for participating venues.
J. Levine Auction & Appraisal
10345 N. Scottsdale Rd.
Hosts annual New Year’s Day Auction, Friday, January 1 featuring high caliber, museum-quality antiques. Luxury Auction includes abstract Harry Bertoia sculpture, an Anna Boch oil seascape (below), an Aurel Bernath oil rural scene and a large collection of jade and Asian collectibles. A Mimosa toast prior to auction will celebrate the new year.
www.ilevines.com

Calvin Charles Gallery
4201 North Marshall Way
Hosts opening reception for solo exhibition “Romancing History” by artist Elisabetta Fantone on January 7 from 6:30-9:30pm (“Elizabeth Taylor” and “Jimi Hendrix” featured below). Wine and hors d’oeuvres to be served. Exhibition showing until February 2. Fantone’s collection of celebrity-inspired portraits is a “unique perspective on influential pop culture familiar faces interpreted through carefully orchestrated paint strokes and lively, vibrant colors.”
GOLD PALETTE ARTWALK SERIES – *Art on the Asphalt*

On Saturday, January 9 from noon to 4pm a mix of working artists and cool, collectible cars will exhibit along the ArtWalk blocks and ‘50s and ‘60s music will fill the air, along with other musical entertainment. Below are among some of the ArtWalk artworks featured on this day (Below: “62” and “California Day,” by Bill Colt will be featured at Wilde Meyer Gallery. “Gullwing” below at right, by Peregrine Heathcote, at Bonner David Galleries.)

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**On the Edge Gallery**

7050 E. 5th Ave.

Artist demonstrations, drinks and food from noon to 4pm on January 9 during the Art on the Asphalt ArtWalk and featuring a lineup of featured artists on hand either to demonstrate or discuss how they create their artwork, including photographer and painter Frank Biondo, who combines his love for both to create art that embodies both disciplines. Oil painter E.A. Hain-Meranto will also be on hand to feature her interpretive landscapes in oil that convey her impression of desert beauty.

[www.ontheedgegallery.com](http://www.ontheedgegallery.com)

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**Altamira Fine Art**

7038 E. Main St.

Los Angeles artist Robert Townsend makes his Scottsdale debut with his “Dreamland” exhibit opening January 11 (“Just Kay and Patty! featured below). There is an artist reception on Thursday, January 14, 6-9pm, with live music, refreshments and a fun, vintage vibe. Townshend, a pop-photo realist, will feature watercolor and oil paintings ranging from 2 x24 to 60x60 inches. His pop-photo realist style and vibrant color are perfectly matched with eye-catching subject matter including retro candy bars, cakes and pies, and a larger-than-life wall clock.

[www.Altamiraart.com](http://www.Altamiraart.com)
NEW: On January 25 at Altamira, the work of Denver-based artist Duke Beardsley will be shown at his third annual one-man show -- "Of A Wide County A’Horseback" -- during an ArtWalk reception at the gallery from 6-9pm with wine, hors d-oeuvres and live music. The show will feature oil paintings in sizes ranging from 12x36 to 72x60 inches. A fifth-generation Coloradan, Beardley’s western roots run deep and his art reflects those roots. His working cowboy images are rendered in a clever minimalist approach and presented in palettes that lend a pop art sensibility. Shown here: “San Pancho.”

Wilde Meyer Gallery
4142 N. Marshall Way
‘Art to Acquire’ opens January 7, with a reception on January 28 from 7-9pm. On display will be some of the gallery’s most collectible artists including Linda Carter Holman, Sherri Belassen, Amy Watts (whose "Wild Cow Catcher" is shown below left), and Suzanne Betts (whose "Promising" is shown below right.)
Opening at the **Wilde Meyer Annex** on January 7 in conjunction with the Art on the Asphalt ArtWalk is “Imagine That” – at which the gallery will be presenting some of their most collected and imaginative artists’ works. Included in the show are: Stephen Morath, Chaille Trevor, Debora Stewart, Ron Russon, and several other artists. A reception will be on January 28. Featured also will be the works below by Sushe Felix (“Like Father, Like Son” below left) and Samantha Buller (“With the Herd” – below right).

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**Carstens Fine Art Studio & Gallery**

**7077 E. Main Street #5**

Presents “Sinfonietta, A Show of New Miniature Paintings” on January 24 from 7 to 9pm, with live music by flutist Sherry Finzer and catering by Café Forte of Scottsdale. Wine will be served.

**The Signature Gallery**

**7177 E. Main St.**

Celebrating on January 23 the Pabst family of artists, “Father, Daughter and Son Show!” with new artwork and live music. The year 2014 marked the 50th year of painting for renowned artist, Charles Pabst, who sold his first painting at the age of 14. Charles, his daughter Cara, and son Michael will be on hand to showcase new works of art, sign books, and meet with collectors.

Also at **Wilde Meyer Gallery**, “Cowboys, Indians, Landscapes, and More” opens February 4, with 7-9pm receptions on February 18 and on March 3. Show includes Thom Ross, Jim Nelson, Patrick Coffaro, Carol Spielman, Sherri Belassen (whose “Ranchero is featured below left), Lance Green, Carol Ruff Franza, and more. Greg Dye’s “Great Wide Open” is below right.
The Wilde Meyer Gallery opens “The West – Not All Cowboys and Cacti” on February 4 and
hosts a reception on February 18 from 7-9pm and another on March 3, same time. This show
explores the use of traditional subjects handled in a very contemporary way. Artists include subjects
of landscapes, flora, fauna, and abstracts. Artists in the show include Jim Nelson, AM Stockhill
(whose “The Days Gone By” is below left), Lance Green, Jill Gilbert, and others. Ryan Hale’s
“Elements of Nature” is below right.

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**GOLD PALETTE ARTWALK SERIES – New West ArtWalk**

This new event, on March 3 from 6:30-9:30pm, combines the Native and Western ArtWalks on
the calendar. It’s a unique event that takes on the spectrum of Western and Native arts and will
celebrate Scottsdale’s new Museum of the West and the City’s native cultural heritage. Native
American and Western entertainers will perform along the ArtWalk line along with performances and
Western storytelling at the Museum of the West theatre. Partners for the event include the Museum
of the West, Heard Museum and City of Scottsdale.

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**GOLD PALETTE ARTWALK SERIES – Video ArtWalk**

This new event, on April 7 from 6:30-9:30pm, replaces Spring Into the Arts ArtWalk on the calendar.
The ArtWalk will present a popular new trend in the visual arts with video artworks. Images and
shows will be displayed on the exterior walls of buildings, in vacant storefronts and in galleries.
Pop street musicians and entertainers will perform along the ArtWalk line to capture the new age
of visual and performance mediums. Partners include the City of Scottsdale and the Scottsdale
Museum of Contemporary Art.

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**GOLD PALETTE ARTWALK SERIES – International ArtWalk**

This event, on July 7 from 6:30-9:30pm, replaces the Summer Spectacular ArtWalk on the calendar
and celebrates the many fine artworks represented in Scottsdale galleries from artists and images
around the world. The ArtWalk will host a series of small presentations and lectures on a variety of
topics from a global perspective. To cool off on the ArtWalk line, cool treats, from Asian shaved ice
to Italian gelato, will be served. Partners include ASU Art Department and international artists.
SPECIAL FEATURES ALONG OR NEAR THE ARTWALK

Copper Leaf Gastrolounge
4225 N. Craftsman Ct.
Thirsty Scottsdale ArtWalkers can stop by the Copper Leaf Gastrolounge for the ArtWalk special: a $4 moonshine cocktail or 20% off of the food and beverage tab!

ABOUT THE SCOTTSDALE ARTWALK

Scottsdale was the first city in the U.S. – 41 years ago – to start a weekly ArtWalk, an event that is now a cultural tradition in the city. It’s even been named by Art Walk News website as “The Mother of All Artwalks.”

The member galleries of the Scottsdale Gallery Association are dedicated to exhibiting the finest visual art from all over the world by offering a dazzling and diverse array of work in a wide variety of media. Members strive to make art accessible to all, from the serious art collector to the casual art appreciator.

At receptions, openings and demonstrations, artists get to show off their work and discuss what went into creating them. Works range from Western traditional to cutting-edge contemporary.

Art and strolling can generate an appetite. Luckily, food samples from local restaurants abound and some of the galleries provide drinks, cheeses, crackers and chocolates.

Local and tourist ArtWalk strollers may bump into a new show opening, an artist demonstration or an offer of a new food sampling. ArtWalk-ing can be the part of a date night that includes dining at one of several restaurants or capping off the night at a downtown bar with a drink. A horse-drawn carriage ride awaits for those wanting to browse in style and the Scottsdale Trolley operates in the area.

For more information on this event, galleries and the ArtWalk, go to www.scottsdalegalleries.com.