



# Oil Painters of America

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Dear OPA Eastern Regional Participant:

Congratulations! Your painting has been accepted into this year's Eastern Regional Exhibition at the Corse Gallery & Atelier in Jacksonville, Florida, November 20 through December 23, 2009.

This year's Eastern Regional Juror of Awards will be Master Signature member C.W. Mundy. Mr. Mundy is widely regarded for his rich impressionistic paintings. His volume of work covers a number of subject areas including landscapes, still life and figurative work. We are pleased to announce that Mr. Mundy will provide a painting demonstration on Saturday morning, November 21, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The demonstration is \$50 and registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. To register, please call or e-mail Eileen Corse at: Phone: 877-386-8205 E-mail: [corsegalleryatelier@comcast.net](mailto:corsegalleryatelier@comcast.net).

On Saturday afternoon from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., please join Master Signature member and current president of OPA Neil Patterson for a lively and informative Q & A session. With over forty years experience as a professional artist, instructor, and former gallery owner, coupled with his volunteer service with OPA, Neil is uniquely qualified to speak on a number of art related issues.

This letter will serve as a checklist to prepare you for this important exhibition. Please reference this document over the coming weeks.

**SHOW DATES:** November 20 through December 23, 2009

**PAINTING TO ARRIVE:** November 9 through November 16, 2009

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Please be sure to include a \$25 check payable to Corse Gallery for uncrating and storing your box. Also, PLEASE be sure to include a prepaid return shipping label. OPA recommends you have adequate insurance coverage.

## **CORRECTIONS TO PAINTING TITLE, SIZE AND PRICE**

- Enclosed you will find a notification card that should be attached to your painting prior to shipping. PLEASE read the notification card over carefully to insure that all of the information is correct. While we do not make any title or price changes we will make spelling and/or size corrections, as well as change any blatant pricing errors (i.e., a zero is missing on the end). Please email any corrections as soon as possible to [kbeligratis@aol.com](mailto:kbeligratis@aol.com).

## **REQUEST FOR BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT**

- Please e-mail a brief biographical statement as soon as possible to the gallery at [corsegalleryatelier@comcast.net](mailto:corsegalleryatelier@comcast.net). The gallery will reference this when collectors request background information.

## **DELIVERIES**

- All shipped work must arrive between November 9 and November 16, 2009.
- Shipments from OUTSIDE the United States must be shipped "Free Domicile" or they WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

**Paintings should be shipped to:**

Corse Gallery & Atelier  
4144 Herschel Street  
Jacksonville, Florida 32210  
Phone: 904-388-8205

- If possible, hand deliveries should be dropped off between Wednesday, November 11 and Saturday, November 14, during gallery hours. Tuesday through Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Saturdays 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Closed Sundays and Mondays.
- **Include a check payable to Corse Gallery in the amount of \$25 to cover the cost of uncrating, storage of crates, re-crating your painting and shipping arrangements. Make checks payable to Corse Gallery.**
- Crates must be sturdy, reusable, top-hinged, and fastened with screws (not nailed). Sturdy cardboard cartons may be used.
- **No Peanut Packing**, please. Please insure your artwork is securely wrapped / packaged.
- Corse Gallery will not be responsible for any loss or damage to artwork that occurred while in transit – either to or from the gallery.
- ARTISTS- PLEASE USE HEAVY DUTY PICTURE WIRE ON ALL PAINTINGS.
- **Please attach the enclosed notification card to the back of your painting(s).**

**RETURN SHIPPING**

- Due to the holiday, hand delivered work must be picked up by the artist between the dates of January 5 - 8, 2010. Gallery hours are: Tuesday through Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Saturdays 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Closed Sundays and Mondays.
- The cost of shipping the painting(s) both to and from the show is the responsibility of the artist. **A return shipping label is to be included with the artwork - Fed Ex or UPS prepaid return shipment is preferred. Or, send a completed shipping form with your Fed Ex account number on it.**
- **DO NOT send checks** to pay for the return of your work. **No COD's on return shipping.**
- Work will be repacked and returned in the same crates or cartons when possible.
- Be certain to adequately insure your painting(s) while in transit. Provide adequate fees in your return shipping amount to provide for insurance coverage.

**IMPORTANT! Please Remember:** No painting(s) may be removed by an artist prior to the end of the show. In addition, an artist who has withdrawn an entry after acceptance into an OPA exhibition shall not be eligible for entry into any OPA exhibition for the next two succeeding years.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kathryn Beligratis at 847-934-1721 or e-mail at: [kbeligratis@aol.com](mailto:kbeligratis@aol.com).

***We look forward to a successful show and thank you for your cooperation!***