



Oil Painters of America Eastern Regional Juried Exhibition  
Anderson Fine Art Gallery ♦ St. Simons Island, GA

## Opening Weekend Program

*(Please Note: This schedule is subject to change)*

### Wednesday, November 15

#### 1:00 p.m. Plein Air Competition Officially Begins



St. Simons Island and the surrounding Golden Isles are the perfect location for artists. There will be a two-day competition that begins on Wednesday afternoon and ends on Friday afternoon. Remember to bring your plein air equipment and cameras.

All paintings must be framed and wired for hanging to be in the competition & sale. Eligible attendees\* are guaranteed one painting in the exhibition; however, two or more paintings will be considered based on the number of registered attendees, so please come prepared!

\*Please Note: The plein air competition & sale is open to OPA members only. Non OPA artists may apply for membership onsite in order to participate.



#### 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Registration Packet Pick-Up

##### Location: Anderson Fine Art Gallery @ OPA Tent

Pre-registered attendees may pick up their registration materials and have their canvas stamped at this time. Artists who have not pre-registered may also register at this time. Don't forget!

- An OPA or Anderson Gallery representative must officially stamp canvas prior to painting
- Maximum canvas size not to exceed 320 square inches.
- Paintings must be framed and wired for hanging in order to be in the competition & sale.
- Only OPA artists who have paid the registration fee are eligible to participate in the plein air competition & sale.
- Non-OPA members may register to attend all events, but will not be eligible to participate in the competition & sale.
- Painting locations will be available when you pick up your registration packet.

### Thursday, November 16

#### 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Registration Packet Pick-Up

##### Location: Anderson Fine Art Gallery @ OPA Tent

Artists unable to arrive on Wednesday can pick up their registration packets and have their canvas stamped anytime on Thursday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

#### 6:00 p.m. Artists' Dinner at Georgia Sea Grill

##### Location: 407 Mallery Street, St. Simons Island

##### Cost: \$\$\$ - Attire: Island Casual

Reservations have been made at one of the finest seafood restaurants on St. Simons Island. Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis. Individual checks will be issued. Space is limited to the first 25 individuals so be sure to e-mail Mary Anderson at the gallery asap to reserve your spot at [mand@mindspring.com](mailto:mand@mindspring.com). Or, call the gallery at 912-634-8414.



## **Friday, November 17**

### **8:00 a.m. to Noon Registration Packet Pick-Up**

**Location: Anderson Fine Art Gallery @ OPA Tent**

It is not too late to compete in the plein air competition as long as the painting is wired, framed and turned in no later than 3:30 p.m.

### **8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Painting Demonstration with Marc Hanson OPAM**

**Location: On location – TBD**

Marc began college as a biology major, but soon applied to and was accepted into Art Center College of Design in Pasadena, California, majoring in illustration. After Art Center and a brief stint as a staff illustrator in Sacramento, California, Marc moved to Minnesota where he lived for 33 years while raising a family and pursuing his art.

Marc teaches landscape painting workshops in many locations nationally. “I love working with other painters in their pursuit to better their craft. My goal is not to have them assimilate my style and technique, but to teach them how to more closely examine the subject and apply the principles that representational painters must follow to become effective visual communicators.”



### **11:30 a.m. Lunch Break!**

**Location: TBD**

**Cost: \$ Attire: Casual – come as you are!**

After watching Marc Hanson, grab a quick bite to eat with fellow artists and friends – this is a casual lunch so come as you are! We will determine the place as soon as we have an idea of how many artists to expect.

### **1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Artists' Painting Competition Deadline**

**Location: Anderson Fine Art Gallery @ OPA Tent**

Framed and wired paintings must be turned in to Anderson Fine Art Gallery between the hours of 1:30 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. to be eligible for the competition.

### **6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Opening Reception & Awards Presentation**

**Location: Anderson Fine Art Gallery**

Please join us for an evening of fun and celebration as we take in the beautiful paintings that comprise this year's Eastern Regional Exhibition. As always, we expect this exhibition to be of the highest caliber. Awards will be announced at approximately 7:30 p.m.



## **Saturday, November 18**

### **9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Painting Demonstration with Howard Friedland OPA**

**Location: Anderson Fine Art Gallery at Artists Annex Gallery**

OPA Signature artist Howard Friedland currently resides in Bozeman, Montana with his wife artist Susan Blackwood OPA. He studied fine art and commercial art at New York's High School of Music and Art and went to college at The Cooper Union for the Advancement of Art and Science in the department of Art and Architecture in New York's Greenwich Village. Howard has studied painting with Ned Jacob, Michael J. Lynch, Mark Daley, Laura Robb, William Schultz, Robert Kuester, Charles Reed, Carolyn Anderson, Mitch Billis, Scott Christensen and most recently with Matt Smith.

He has been featured in many art publications including *American Artist Magazine*, *International Artist Magazine*, *Plein Air Magazine* and *Fine Art Connoisseur Magazine*. He has painted, taught and exhibited extensively in New Mexico, Colorado, Montana, Arizona, Florida, Mexico, France, Italy, England, Spain, Portugal, Croatia and China. His work has won numerous awards including the prestigious Gold Medal Award at OPA's National Exhibition in 2008.



**11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Lunch Break – on your own!**

**1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Painting Demonstration with Katie Dobson Cundiff OPA**

**Location: TBD**



Katie Cundiff OPA acquired an early appreciation for the fine arts, drawing, and painting, under the tutelage of artist parents. Early works resulted in scholarships from National Scholastics Magazine and the Croatian Fraternal Union, earning a B.A. in Fine Arts and Painting from Ringling College of Art and Design. A love of the outdoors combined with painting has produced numerous awards and recognition in plein air events. Her work also includes still life, figurative, and wildlife, and has been featured on apparel and print for Ducks Unlimited, National Wild Turkey Federation, Quail Unlimited, The Billfish Foundation, Safari Clubs International, and Gulf Coast Conservation Association.

In addition, Cundiff has been featured in *American Art Collector Magazine*, *American Artists Magazine*, *Southwest Art*, and at the Museum of Florida Art and Culture in Sebring, Florida. Juried exhibits and awards include those from Oil Painters of America, American Women Artists, Women Painters of the Southeast, Cumberland Society of Oil Painters, and American Impressionists.

**5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. Plein Air Competition Award Reception**

**Location: Anderson Fine Art Gallery**

**6:30 p.m. –Artists' Dinner at Sea Palms Resort**

**Location: Sea Palms Resort, 5445 Frederica Road, St. Simons Island, GA**

**Cost: \$40 (includes tax and gratuity)**

Time to sit back and relax with fellow artists and friends and enjoy a wonderful dinner at the lovely Sea Palms Resort. Guests will have the option to select from one of three entrees: southern grilled pork loin with whipped sweet potatoes, cheese/herbs stuffed chicken breast with roasted potatoes, or chef's fish in a beurre blanc, and basmati rice. All entrees include salad, freshly baked bread, iced tea/coffee and chocolate cake for dessert. (Cash bar for alcoholic beverages and soda)

## **Sunday, November 19**

**8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Thanks for Coming Breakfast!**

Owner Mary Anderson wants to thank all the artists and guests for making this event so special! Coffee, juice, muffins and fruit will be served.

**9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Painting Demonstration with John Michael Carter OPAM**

**Location: Anderson Fine Art Gallery at Artists Annex Gallery**

John Michael Carter OPAM first began his studies in drawing at the age of 15 with his father E.L.Carter, a commercial artist. He attended the American Academy of Art in Chicago and then moved to Los Angeles where he attended the prestigious Art Center College of Design. There he received a background in the major classical schools of painting and graduated with a B.F.A, Degree. In addition to Carter's love of figurative painting, he enjoys the street scenes and landscapes he discovers in his travels here and abroad.



He has been a frequent guest instructor at art workshops across the country, including the Scottsdale Artist School since 1990, the Dallas Arts League and the Cincinnati Art Club. His thorough classical training and experience in drawing and painting gives him the technical expertise to provide artists with superb instruction. He is a Master Signature member of the Oil Painters of America and was OPA's National Exhibition Gold Medal recipient in 2004. He currently serves as OPA's president.

# Lodging and Travel Information

OPA has reserved a limited number of rooms at the Sea Palms Resort located on St. Simons Island, GA, and 1.2 miles from the gallery. Rooms must be reserved prior to October 16<sup>th</sup> or until the block is full. This is the same weekend as the RSM Golf Classic at Sea Island and very, very busy so do not wait to make a reservation.

**Sea Palms Resort**  
**5445 Frederica Road**  
**St. Simons Island, Georgia 31522**  
**Phone: 855-516-1090**

**Room Rates: Double: \$155 + tax Executive King: \$175 + tax**

There is an additional daily resort service fee of \$5.00.  
Complimentary parking and unlimited wireless internet access.  
**Be sure to identify yourself as an "OPA" participant to receive this special rate.**

## Travel

The closest international airport servicing St. Simons Island is the Jacksonville International Airport in Florida. It is approximately a 1.25-hour drive from the airport to St. Simons Island, Georgia.

# Registration Information

Registration Fee: Pre-Registration - \$35 On-Site Registration - \$50

Full Registration fee includes participation in the plein air competition and all painting demonstrations. Bottled water, sodas and light snacks will be provided; however, meals are **not** included in the registration fee. Unfortunately, we cannot charge for individual sessions.

Registration is NOT required to attend the Eastern Regional Opening Reception & Awards Ceremony on Friday, November 17, 2017, or the Plein Air Competition Awards Reception on Saturday, November 18, 2017.

Advanced Registration Deadline by **MAIL** is Monday, November 6, 2017 or **ONLINE** by Friday, November 10, 2017.

Cancellation/Refunds: A refund is allowed if a written request is sent to OPA headquarters by Friday, November 10, 2017. No refunds are made after this date. OPA assesses a \$25 administrative charge for all returned checks. NO refunds will be issued onsite or for failure to attend.

## How to Register Online

To register online and pay via credit card, please go to [www.oilpaintersofamerica.com](http://www.oilpaintersofamerica.com). Look for the OPA 2017 Eastern Regional link found on the OPA home page.

## How to Register by Mail

To register via mail, please complete the form below and mail to Oil Painters of America, PO Box 2488, Crystal Lake, IL 60039-2488. **Remember, your registration must be postmarked no later than Monday, November 6, 2017, in order for OPA to process your registration prior to the show.**

## On-Site Registration

Artists who prefer can register on-site and pay the \$50 registration fee beginning Wednesday, November 15, 2017. Registration times are listed below.

Wednesday, November 15	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Anderson Fine Art Gallery @ the OPA Tent
Thursday, November 16	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Anderson Fine Art Gallery @ the OPA Tent
Friday, November 17	8:00 a.m. to Noon	Anderson Fine Art Gallery @ the OPA Tent
Saturday, November 18	8:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Anderson Fine Art Gallery @ the OPA Tent

Registration	Advanced through November 10	Onsite November 15 - 19	Total
Registration fee includes plein air painting & competition (gamsol provided), all painting demonstrations. Bottled water, soft drinks, and light snacks will be provided.			
Member/Non-member Registration Fee	\$35	\$50	
Dinner at Sea Palms Resort on Saturday, November 18 @ 6:30 p.m.*	\$40*	\$40*	
*For Sea Palms Resort Dinner: Includes tax and gratuity. Alcohol and soda are extra. Attire: Island Casual. Please select one (X) of the following: _____ Grilled pork loin    _____ Stuffed Chicken Breast    _____ Chef's Fish in a Beurre Blanc			
Dinner at Georgia Sea Grill –must email the gallery directly to reserve a spot (see below)	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>TOTAL:</b>			

**GEORGIA SEA GRILL REGISTRATION IMPORTANT:** If you would like to attend the dinner on Thursday evening at the Georgia Sea Grill you must email Mary Anderson at [mand@mindspring.com](mailto:mand@mindspring.com) directly to reserve a spot. Be sure to indicate the number in your party. Space is limited and on a first-come, first-served basis. Separate checks will be issued. Attire: Island casual

Please type or print clearly and use black or blue ink. (Please, only one registrant per form)

Please indicate if you are:  OPA Member     Non-member artist     Non-member guest/spouse

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Payment:  Check     MasterCard     Visa     Discover    TOTAL DUE: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CVV: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Please print clearly!)

Print Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_ Your Signature \_\_\_\_\_

\*Non-member artists may apply for membership onsite to qualify for plein air competition and sale. Please bring 2 photos of your recent work to be eligible.

Please complete this registration form and mail to: Oil Painters of America  
 P.O. Box 2488  
 Questions? Please call 815-356-5987    Crystal Lake, IL. 60039-2488

Important Addresses You Need to Know!		
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