Thursday, September 14, 2023

11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. "Painting Beaches" a Lunch 'n Learn with OPA's Marjorie Hicks Location: Beverly McNeil Gallery, 605 28th St S, Birmingham, AL.

Cost: \$20 - must register in advance!

Award-winning artist, Marjorie Hicks's canvases capture the play of light and the drama of shadow and color that fall on all her subjects. She is also a popular teacher to artists with currently over 50,000 followers on Instagram. John Singer Sargent, Joaquin Sorolla, and Henry Potthast among others continue to inspire her works. Marjorie is grateful for the talented and supportive community of artists in Nashville, where she resides. She is equally at home painting commissioned portraits in studio or outdoor scenes in a style inspired by the Impressionists.



5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Opening Reception & Awards Ceremony Location: Beverly McNeil Gallery, 605 28th St S, Birmingham, AL.

Come celebrate with us the beautiful artwork featured in this year's exhibition. Top artists from across the eastern half of the United States will showcase their artwork, collectively creating a stunning ensemble.



8:15 p.m. Late Night Rendezvous at The Refinery Location: 728 29th Street S, Birmingham, AL. Phone: 205-407-5683

After a successful opening to this year's Eastern Regional Exhibition, head over to The Refinery for a celebratory nightcap, nibbles, and lively conversation. The Refinery is just a few blocks from the gallery.

Friday, September 15, 2023

9:30 a.m. to Noon Painting Demonstration with Juror of Awards Roger Dale Brown OPAM Location: Beverly McNeil Gallery, 605 28th St S, Birmingham, AL. Cost: Free

Roger Dale Brown OPAM grew up in Tennessee, exploring the woods, creeks, and fields around his Nashville home. He has made it his life's work to connect deeply to places around the world, incorporating knowledge of their nature, history, architecture, and culture in his creative process, and reflecting that knowledge in his painting and writing. Roger has developed his own style, which draws deeply from the Impressionist view that painting from life is essential. This determination and dedication have culminated in his receiving Master Status with three top painting organizations in one year.



12:15 p.m. Lunch at Los Amigos Mexican Restaurant Location: 2839 7th Avenue S, Birmingham, AL. Phone: 205-324-5896

Please join us for lunch and great conversation at the Los Amigos Mexican Restaurant just around the block from the Beverly McNeil Gallery! Separate checks will be issued.

2:00 p.m. Visit the Birmingham Museum of Art Location: 2000 Rev. Abraham Woods, Jr. Boulevard Cost: General Admission is free

The Birmingham Museum of Art is considered one of the finest regional museums in the United States and was featured as OPA's first Virtual Museum Road Trip back in 2021. (The presentation can be found on OPA's website.) It houses a diverse collection of more than 27,000 paintings, sculptures, prints, drawings, and decorative arts dating from ancient to modern times and is well worth a visit!



Registration Information:

- 1. Email OPA directly if you plan to attend at **mail@oilpaintersofamerica.com** Please be sure to include the names (first and last) of any guests that plan to join you.
- 2. IF you plan to attend the Marjorie Hicks demonstration and lunch on Thursday you must register in advance and pay the \$20 fee for lunch. **Click Here to attend the Marjorie Hicks Demo & Lunch**.

Travel Information:

Airport: The Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport is Alabama's largest airport serving the Greater Birmingham area.

Rental Car: A rental car is highly recommended although Uber/cabs are an alternative option.

Hotel Information:

A small courtesy block has been made at the Embassy Suites Hotel which is approximately 2.3 miles from the gallery. **Click here** to book a room at OPA's courtesy rate.

Hotel Reservation

Embassy Suites by Hilton Birmingham 2300 Woodcrest Place Birmingham, Alabama 35209

Rates:

Double Bed: \$149 +tax

King \$129 + tax

This rate includes a complimentary full hot breakfast and complimentary beverages at their nightly evening reception. Free parking, fitness center, and indoor heated pool.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN BIRMINGHAM!