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## GIVE MOM THE WEST: SEE NIGHT OF ARTISTS BEFORE IT CLOSES

See Stunning Western Art, Learn Linocut and Say Howdy to Summer with Tequila Tasting

## Annual Night of Artists Exhibition and Sale Closes this Sunday

**San Antonio, TX** – (May 2025) The Briscoe Western Art Museum's acclaimed <u>Night of Artists Exhibition and Sale</u> is entering its final days, offering one last chance to experience – and purchase – extraordinary contemporary Western art in the heart of downtown San Antonio. The exhibition closes on Mother's Day, May 11, making it the perfect way to treat mom to a day of beauty, culture and creativity inspired by the American West.

One of the premier Western art exhibitions in the nation, *Night of Artists* features more than 270 works of painting, sculpture and mixed media by over 85 of today's top Western artists. The works on view are available for purchase, allowing guests to take home a piece of the West. Once the show closes, the pieces join private collections, making this the only opportunity to see the collection in one place – and perhaps take home your favorite. The exhibition and sale is included with regular museum admission.

## Make Memories Together at the Briscoe

If your love for mom knows no bounds, give her a gift that matches: the wide open spaces of the West. Let mom get away from it all and head West whenever she'd like with a membership to the Briscoe Western Art Museum. Mother's Day didn't become an official observance until 1914, but without a hardworking mom, the West might not have been discovered. Lewis and Clark's guide Sacagawea began her journey West while pregnant, then gave birth and carried her baby with her through the exploration. The clay design sculpted for the Sacagawea dollar by late artist Glenna Goodacre is featured in the Briscoe's Ruth McLean Bowman Bowers: Women of the West Gallery.

All membership options include unlimited admission to the Briscoe and its events, as well as invitations to private members-only events. <u>Full membership benefits</u> – including a year-round 10% discount in the Briscoe's <u>Hendler Family Museum Store</u> – are detailed online.

You can also make memories and spend time with mom, friends or anyone who enjoys the American West this month. Join the Briscoe for these hands-on and engaging programs:

Cut, Ink, Create: A Linocut Workshop with Jack Daw – Sunday, May 18
2 – 5 p.m., \$35, \$20 for museum members

Unleash your creativity and make your mark during a hands-on afternoon of printmaking with artist Jack Daw. In this engaging workshop, Daw will guide guests through the process of linoleum cutting – also known as linocut – a form of relief printmaking where designs are carved into soft linoleum blocks. These blocks are then inked and pressed onto paper using a tool called a baren, transferring the design to create bold, graphic prints.

Known for his Texana-meets-pop-culture style, Daw will guide participants in creating a bison-themed print they can personalize. He uses pop-culture imagery and texana motifs as a common language to create new metaphors and narratives that are sure to make you smile. Drawing inspiration from history, culture and identity, Daw's work blends bold visuals with meaningful narratives. Attendees will take home their original artwork, carving tool and linoleum block. All materials are included; no experience required. Space is limited, so early <u>registration</u> is encouraged.

The Art of Tequila: History, Heritage and Tasting – Thursday, May 29
6 – 8 p.m., \$50, \$35 for museum members. Guests must be 21 or older.

Raise a glass, celebrate the craftsmanship and dive into the rich heritage of one of Mexico's most iconic spirits with Mar Azul Tequila, a San Antonio-based, family-owned brand known for blending traditional methods with modern innovation. This 21+ event offers a spirited journey through the history of tequila, paired with a curated tasting experience featuring Mar Azul Tequila and delicious small bites. Learn what sets tequila apart – like how, just like champagne and cognac, it can only be produced in five specific regions of Mexico, and why the blue agave plant is at the heart of it all. From field to bottle, discover the time-honored process that makes tequila so special. And enjoy a custom-crafted cocktail created especially for the tasting!

Blending traditional craftsmanship with modern innovation, <u>Mar Azul Tequila</u> produces tequila using 100% natural ingredients, free from chemical additives and sweeteners. Its tequilas are crafted from premium Blue Weber Agave sourced from Jalisco, Mexico, and are distilled using time-honored family recipes. Mar Azul offers a diverse range of flavors, including Silver, Reposado, Añejo and unique infusions like chocolate, almond, coconut and pomegranate, each designed to provide a smooth, vibrant and authentic tequila experience. Don't miss this flavorful evening of culture, conversation, and craftsmanship. Space is limited and registration is required—<u>secure your spot</u> today.

## A River Walk Oasis: The Briscoe's Collection

Nestled off the River Walk across from La Villita, the Briscoe campus includes the McNutt Sculpture Garden and features 35 sculptures portraying various aspects of Western life in the garden and around the museum's beautifully restored historic building that once housed the San Antonio Public Library. The museum is open Thursday, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m., Friday through Monday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. and closed to the public on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Admission is free for children 12 and under and for active duty members of the military. The museum is proud to participate in Museums For All, Blue Star Museums

and Bank of America Museums on Us. The Briscoe is located on the south end of the River Walk, near the Arneson River Theatre and La Villita, with convenient parking at the Riverbend Garage directly adjacent to the museum or one of many downtown surface lots. Museum hours, parking and admission details are available online.

About The Briscoe Western Art Museum: Preserving and presenting the art, history and culture of the American West through engaging exhibitions, educational programs and public events reflective of the region's rich traditions and shared heritage, the Briscoe Western Art Museum is located on the San Antonio River Walk at 210 W. Market Street in the beautifully restored 1930s former San Antonio Public Library building. Named in honor of the late Texas Gov. Dolph Briscoe Jr. and his wife, Janey Slaughter Briscoe, the museum includes the three-story Jack Guenther Pavilion, used for event rentals and programs, and the outdoor McNutt Sculpture Garden. Follow the Briscoe on social media, @BriscoeMuseum.