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**Artexpo New York, the World's Largest Fine Art Show and Marketplace,
Celebrates Show Successes and Announces Top Artist and Exhibitor Sales**

4-Day Art Experience Featured Unveilings, Parties, Student Projects, Seminars and Awards

NEW YORK – (May 13, 2015) – Redwood Media Group, a leading producer of international fine art shows and magazines, today released its show recap and announced sales success stories and from the **37th Annual Artexpo New York**. The 4-day fine art experience took place Thursday, April 23 – Sunday, April 26 at **Pier 94** in New York City. For the second consecutive year, Artexpo included three shows under one roof: **Artexpo New York**, the world's largest fine art trade show; **[SOLO]**, highlighting new and emerging artists; and **DECOR Expo Showcase**, a trade-only show featuring the latest art and framing industry trends. This year's show served as host to more than **400 exhibitors** and welcomed approximately **28,000 guests** from around the world, including **5,000 trade attendees**.

The show opened to a line of guests awaiting entrance to its **VIP Opening Preview Party**. The evening featured light hors d'oeuvres, complimentary **Emory Vodka** cocktails, a **D'USSÉ cognac** tasting; wine and music courtesy of **ArtForo magazine**; product samplings and free **KIND Snacks**; and the **unveiling of the 2015 "Passageways" Poster Challenge winner, Without Hesitation by Joëlle Blouin**. After the unveiling, the original 48" x 72" *Without Hesitation* painting was sold to a collector for \$10,000.

Artexpo 2015 also featured a host of other events, including a **Media Meet and Greet, Friday Night at Artexpo** evening party, **Trends & Topics Education Series**, lounge spaces throughout the show courtesy of **American Furniture Rental (AFR)**, **Meet the Artist events** each day of the show and a **live photo shoot** by acclaimed photographer and **New York Times** bestselling author, **Jordan Matter**.

Images from this year's show are available by [clicking here](#)

To view a video recap from the show's opening night and VIP Preview Party, [click here](#)

Artexpo New York 2015 Award Winners:

Best New Exhibitor – Art on a Whim and Impossibly Real - The Art of Peter Maier

Best Multiple Artist Exhibitor – Mattson's Fine Art and Wynwood 28

Best Booth Design – Surekha Sadana and Samir Sammoun

2015 [SOLO] Award Winners – Arrington Magny, Waqian Sun, Vanhove Stephane, Ken Tutjamnong, Dragan Sekaric Shex, Ashley Andrews, Scott Cleek - SJC Studio, Rajvi Dedhia Unadkat, Ok Seo, Evgeny Vypov

This year Artexpo offered an **expanded collection of international art**, including works from India, Europe, Australia, Africa, Russia, Cuba, Mexico, Canada, and beyond. The show also featured Artexpo New York's largest international exhibition from China, in association with **American Hairong Cultural Company**, featuring a welcome reception, media meet & greet and ribbon cutting ceremony.

Show organizers also launched a community outreach and education program, **[SYNERGY] Live Arts Project**, which paired art students from nearby schools with select, exhibiting artists to create large, original art pieces onsite. This year Artexpo partnered with students from New Jersey-based schools, **Morris Hills High School** and **Woodcliff Middle School**. The works created by the student groups remained on display adjacent to the Education Pavilion for the duration of the show. After the show, the artwork was collected by the schools to be displayed and used for art program fund raising.

Artexpo is the largest international gathering of buyers—including gallery owners and managers, art dealers, interior designers, architects, corporate art buyers and art & framing retailers. For more information visit: www.artexponeويورك.com.

Notable Artist and Exhibitor Sales from Artexpo New York 2015

- **Masterworks Fine Gallery** – sold 4 pieces, including Marc Chagall's "Les Adolescents," (1975, Edition of 50).
- **Artblend** – the gallery sold 4 pieces, including Thuy Nguyen's "My Boat," a 60" x 40" oil on canvas for \$5,000. Several dealers also placed orders with the gallery for artists' work.
- **Art Design Consultants** – sold more of Ken Raash's copper artworks this year than in past years. It was their best trade day ever, selling 100's of pieces to multiple galleries, dealers, and art consultants.
- **Liliana Gorbachinsky** – first time exhibitor sold 5 mixed media works for approximately \$100,000 in total sales.
- **Studio Fine Art** – sold 7 pieces, including "Corner of Beauty" by Hessam Abrishami for \$19,000. The gallery was also recognized and received a 25th Anniversary Award for Abrishami's 25th year as an exhibitor at Artexpo New York.
- **Antonio Russo** – sold "Marilyn" and "Monkey Boy" to gallery in Miami for approximately \$20,000.
- **Jeanne Dana** – in her 1st international show, she sold 6 pieces, the highest sold for \$4,000. She also received extensive interest from several galleries.
- **James Paterson** – sold 9 of his moveable art works for a total of \$13,000 to 3 different galleries and several collectors. He also booked several commissioned projects.
- **Richard Riverin** – sold 6 pieces totaling \$45,000, and had strong interest from 3 galleries.
- **Muir Fine Art Gallery (representing Jimmy Houston)** – sold 5 pieces, including a two-piece series titled, "Ship to Shore," for \$10,000.
- **The Signature Gallery** – sold 5 pieces for approximately \$35,000 in revenue. The gallery sold 4 works from artist Joelle Blouin, including the original poster challenge piece, "Without Hesitation," for \$10,000.
- **John Denis** – sold all 4 of the pieces he brought and has commissions pending. Denis also received interest from galleries in Germany and Florida.
- **Socrates Marquez** – New York-based painter sold 17 pieces throughout the show, including 3 larger canvas works. Marquez was a 2014 Solo Award Winner.
- **Mattson's Fine Art** – sold 15 pieces, including an oil and canvas painting by Dinah Cross titled "Garden Party," for \$11,500. The gallery showed works from 11 different artists and 7 out of the 11 artists' art pieces sold.
- **Blink Group Gallery** – sold 4 pieces, including 3 works from artist Francesca Filanc.
- **Stygian Publishing** – sold multiple pieces to galleries and collectors.
- **Sammoun Fine Art** – sold 12 originals and multiple orders for limited edition pieces to collectors and dealers.
- **Sheri Alimonda** – sold "Susan's Flower Girl" for \$6,000 and received 3 firm portrait commissions.

- **Pease Pedestals (DÉCOR Expo)** – sold 6 pieces at the show, and several of those items were furniture pieces brought to show breadth and quality.

About Redwood Media Group

Redwood Media Group has a long history serving the global fine art community. The company's full suite of fine art services includes fine art exhibitions, art business education, fine art publications, fine art mentoring, marketing and social media, and more. Redwood owns and produces fine art shows and conferences including Artexpo New York, ART SAN DIEGO, SPECTRUM Miami, [SOLO], ART COACHELLA, DECOR Expo Atlanta and DECOR Expo Showcase. The company also owns and publishes *Art Business News* magazine and *DECOR* magazine. For more information, visit: www.spectrum-miami.com, www.artbusinessnews.com, www.artexponewyork.com, www.artexponewyork.com/solo, www.artexponewyork.com/decor-expo, www.art-sandiego.com, www.art-coachella.com and www.decorexpoatlanta.com.

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