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Western Sculptor, Scott Rogers is Named Featured Artist for the Scottsdale 5th Avenue Fine Art & Wine Festival

Thunderbird Artists is pleased to announce Scott Rogers as featured artist for the 3rd Annual Scottsdale 5th Avenue Fine Art & Wine Festival, February 13th, 14th & 15th, 2009. The festival will run on 5th Avenue, (from Scottsdale Road west to Goldwater Blvd.) including Craftsman Court.

Scott, as a talented artist, uses his gifts to invoke the human emotions and the remembrance of the "Old West". His works give insight into the knowledge and the true feelings of the people he portrays. Scott started his love of sculpting over 18 years ago. As he starts to work on a new piece, he will focus on an emotion that touches his heart. He wants the work to speak to everyone, "I know art uplifts the spirit, it makes one desire to be better, to feel good about themselves and their fellowman, to reach out for that which is good in life. It's my desire that you experience some of what I feel through my art." You will be able to understand what Scott has tried to create when you are up close to his sculptures. His bronzes are truly unique with details from the old west from his cowboys to his Indians.

The festival also features over 100 juried fine artists from throughout the United States and abroad displaying paintings in oil, watercolor, pastels, acrylic, and ink; impressive small, medium and life-sized sculptures, sparkling hand blown glass, rope baskets, wood, clay, metal, stone, one of a kind handcrafted jewelry, exceptional photography and much more! Also incorporated into the festival is an extensive collection of domestic and imported wines, delicious food



and live musical entertainment.



Wineries participating in this extraordinary event include "A" International Wines, Barefoot Winery, Cape of Good Hope Winery, Kokopelli Winery, Page Springs Vineyards & Cellars and Wilhelm Family Vineyards. Wine will be available for tasting from South Africa, Italy, Austria, Germany, France and Australia, along with wines from Arizona and throughout the United States. The perfect complement to wine tasting is cheese sampling; therefore, Coonridge Goat Cheese will have cheese samples at the

festival as well. For \$10, patrons will receive an engraved souvenir wine glass with six tasting tickets, allowing patrons to indulge in wine tasting in between strolling the only street of its kind in the Valley; where locals and visitors enjoy the sidewalk and garden cafes sprinkled among a variety of boutiques and galleries.

Live musical entertainment at the festival will be heard from Inka Gold, John Jacobs and Morpheus Music. Inka Gold will perform traditional Incan music, which mimics the roaring winds and sounds of the great Andes Mountains. John Jacobs will soothe your senses with beautiful Celtic music featuring a variety of instruments; combining the hammered dulcimer, cittern, mandolin, and guitar. Smooth jazz can also be heard from Morpheus Music. All musicians will be playing continuously all three days, only taking breaks between sets.

The festival will also have a variety of food available to satisfy the cravings of patrons and artists alike. Pastamore' will be serving an arrangement of sauces and pasta for sampling and purchase. For dessert, Oh, Fudge! will be making homemade fudge on site. In addition to the marveled food, the Betca Sisters will have developed some wonderful wine and spirit jellies that will please the pallet.



Painting by Jeanne Bonine

Come to the Scottsdale 5th Avenue Fine Art & Wine Festival and appreciate the 100 juried fine artists, live musical entertainment, delicious food, mouthwatering chocolate and unparalleled wine tasting. Walk along the streets and enjoy the charming atmosphere that allows everyone to feel like they are at home while strolling through the countless mix of specialty gift stores, restaurants, personal and professional services, and many other unique offerings. Hours are 10am to 5pm each day. Admission is \$3 Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Parking is free all weekend.

