

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual

# Waterfront Fine Art & Wine Festival

October 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, 2013

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*“I found I could say things with color and shapes that I couldn’t say any other way – things I had no words for”  
~Georgia O’Keefe*

Thunderbird Artists, the leading producer of fine art events in the Southwest, is eager to announce their first festival of the 2013/2014 season. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Waterfront Fine Art & Wine Festival, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, will feature chromatic abstractionist, Pat Stacy.

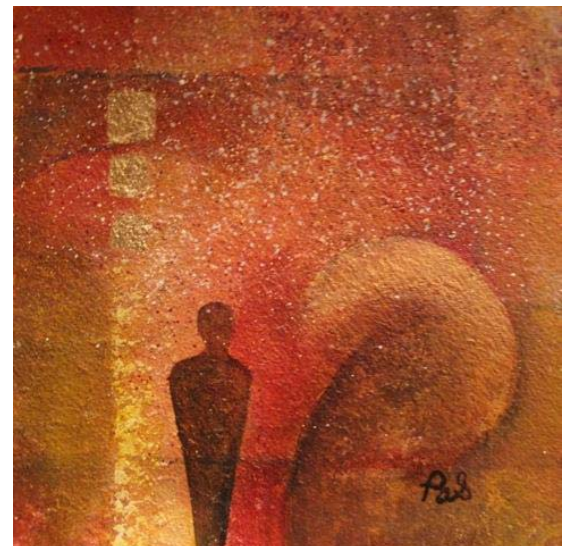
Pat Stacy is an Arizona native and graduated from Arizona State University with a degree in Psychology. After working as a licensed professional counselor for many years, she took a step back due to health issues, and discovered her artistic talents. She immersed herself in paint on a daily basis and found her true passion.

Pat’s work is primarily acrylic on canvas and paper, with an occasional mixed media element. Her work has many layers of transparent paint, coated with additional opaque paint, creating depth and character in each piece. Her work is often based on geometric shapes and designs, usually over a textured background. Viewers will notice an Entity touched by the light of the Creator in much of her work, acknowledging creativity as a gift. Pat’s Entities may be an integral part of the painting or may be elusive and hard to find, depending on the paints utilized. She also uses metallic paints and a UV coating, in the final layers, to add shine and intrigue to her work.

This festival also hosts one of the largest wine tasting events in the Southwest. For \$10, patrons will receive an engraved souvenir wine glass and tasting tickets, providing a unique opportunity to sample an extensive collection of domestic and imported wines, all while strolling throughout fine art and listening to live music.

The festival will take place on the pedestrian walkway of the Scottsdale Waterfront and Southbridge, next to Nordstrom’s and Olive & Ivy. The hours are 10am to 5pm all three days. Admission is \$3.00 and parking is free. The Scottsdale trolley is also available, as a complimentary service, and runs every 15 minutes from 11am to 6pm and stops in Old Town, Main Street District, Marshall Way District, Fifth Avenue Shops, Scottsdale Fashion Square, Waterfront and Southbridge.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Waterfront Fine Art & Wine Festival is a must see for all art, wine and music enthusiasts!



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## *Enjoy Beautiful Music, Fine Art & Exceptional Wine*



Thunderbird Artists is excited to reveal Elijah Bossenbroek, local pianist, as featured musician for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Waterfront Fine Art & Wine Festival, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, 2013. The festival also hosts more than 100 juried, fine artists from throughout the country, as well as, one of Arizona's top wine tasting events.

Elijah Bossenbroek was born and raised in Grand Rapids, Michigan. At age six, when other children were playing with toy cars, Elijah started playing the piano. His parents could tell he wasn't a typical piano player, as he often hated the dull repetition behind learning notes and playing to metronomes. Frustrated, he began writing his own compositions at age fourteen. After his eighteenth birthday, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, where he spent the better part of five years traveling to places around the world. Upon his return from the deserts of Kuwait, Elijah purchased a home recording studio and began working on his first album, "Harmony In Disarray,". After gaining a lot of popularity and momentum in the music industry, he signed a record deal and produced his anticipated second album "Carpe Lumen".

Also performing at the festival will be Jason Michael Tracy and Scott Helmer. Jason's contagious energy livens up any crowd and is a show in itself. Scott began creating a new kind of music – music that resonates with others, that speaks of sorrow and spirit, laughter and longing. Scott is a master of reinvention and like his music – an inspiration. His contagious, radio-friendly blend of rock and pop infuses memorable guitar riffs, catchy sing-along choruses and lyrics that tell real stories.

The festival takes place on the pedestrian walkway of Scottsdale Waterfront at Fashion Square - the most sophisticated and stylish community in Downtown Scottsdale. The newest 1.1 million square foot development revitalization project of downtown has become the place to visit, be seen and shop. The waterfront has banks landscaped with festive palm trees, dramatic flowers, spectacular public art sculptures and fountains, plus open air courtyards that give the area a European flair.

Don't miss the infectious energy from the musicians performing at the Waterfront Fine Art & Wine Festival, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>! This event is located just south of Nordstrom's at the Southbridge pedestrian walk and is handicap accessible. Hours are 10am to 5pm each day. Admission is \$3.00 and parking is free all weekend. Join us!





## CALENDAR FACT SHEET

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**WHEN:** October 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, 2013

**HOURS:** 10am to 5pm Daily

**WHERE:** Scottsdale Waterfront, 7135 E. Camelback Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85251

**ADMISSION:** \$3.00 for adults, all three days

**PARKING:** Free or Valet parking is offered for an additional fee. The Scottsdale trolley is also available as a complimentary service and runs every 15 minutes from 11am to 6pm.

**WHO:** Presenting 125 nationally acclaimed, world-renowned artists showcasing original artwork. The festival will consist of sensational oil paintings on canvas, acrylics, watercolors, pastels, charcoals and mixed media. Other mediums include spectacular small, medium and life-size bronzes, luminous glass sculptures, small, medium and monumental sized metal creations and fabulous batiks. There is also hand thrown clay, Raku pottery and sculptures, inlaid wood turned bowls, unique and one of a kind jewelry, black & white or color photography, elegant stone, copper, clay and mixed media sculptures.

**ENTERTAINMENT:** Featured musician Elijah Bossenbroek. Elijah has written all his own compositions since he was 14 years old. The festival also features pianist, Jason Tracy, and country style guitarist, Scott Helmer.

**WINE TASTING:** Participating wineries will each have their own selection of red, white and blush wines, from around the world, available for tasting. There is a fee of \$10, which includes an engraved souvenir wine glass and six tasting tickets. Additional tasting tickets can be purchased for \$1. Organic Goat Cheese sampling is also available to compliment the wine tasting.

**SURROUNDING AREA:** The Waterfront is home to some of Scottsdale's finest restaurants. Surrounding the festival are the Culinary Dropout, Herb Box, Olive & Ivy, P.F.Chang's China Bistro, Sauce, Stax Burger Bistro, Wildfish Seafood Grill, Zoe's Kitchen and many others!

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