

## THE BRISCOE WELCOMES 2022 SHOWCASING THE PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE OF WESTERN ART

### *Calendar Highlights Cover the Pillars of Western Art: Cowboys, Wildlife, Native Americans and Latino Heritage*

**San Antonio, TX –** (December 2021) From the best of today's leading contemporary Western artists and the future stewards of the genre to the founding fathers of this purely American art form, the Briscoe Western Art Museum is celebrating the past, present and future of Western art throughout 2022. A robust range of exciting exhibitions and programs is sure to make the Briscoe a frequent destination for those who love the genre as well as those who simply enjoy the rugged beauty, diverse people and wildlife who call the West home.

Scholars and cultural institutions including the Briscoe identify distinct themes within Western Art including wildlife, Native American heritage, and of course, cowboys. Due to the undeniable influence of Mexican and Spanish heritage across Texas and the Southwest, the Briscoe also shares that influence on Western Art. The Briscoe's 2022 calendar includes:

#### ***Vaqueros de la Cruz del Diablo: Photography of the Contemporary Northern Mexican Cowboy***

**Through January 24, 2022**

Closing out its successful United States debut at the Briscoe, [Vaqueros de la Cruz del Diablo](#) features celebrated photographer Werner Segarra inviting audiences to peer into the world of the Norteño Cowboys from Sonora, Mexico – not as a casual tourist, but as an intimate observer. With almost 60 images spanning more than 20 years of the lives of the vaqueros, Segarra's images showcase the expansive landscape, their daily work, and the intimacy of their homes, not merely documenting the vaquero, but celebrating his subjects and their way of life. The exhibition's closing weekend, Jan. 22–23, features artist talks and exhibition tours with Segarra.

#### **2022 Night of Artists**

**March 25–26, 2022 Opening Weekend Events, Celebration and Live Auction**

**March 27 – May 8, 2022 Public Exhibition and Sale**

One of the premier Western art events in the world, *Night of Artists* includes the viewing and sale of almost 300 new works of painting, sculpture and mixed media by nearly 80 of today's leading contemporary Western artists. The Briscoe Western Art Museum's [2022 Night of Artists Exhibition and Art Sale](#) returns to a two-day opening weekend that includes the Briscoe Collectors Summit, a preview dinner and live auction, an awards luncheon, the exhibition opening and the popular "Luck of the Draw" sale. The public exhibition is a unique opportunity to see a fantastic array of the best of today's

contemporary Western art before the works join private collections, making the opening weekend and the exhibition itself something all Western art fans should see.

### **The Sons of Charlie Russell: Cowboy Artists of America**

**May 27 – Sept. 5, 2022**

Showcasing the foundation, traditions and ideals established in the great works of Frederic Remington, Edward Borein and Charles M. Russell – the forefathers of Western art – [\*The Sons of Charlie Russell: Cowboy Artists of America\*](#) illustrates the evolution of contemporary Western art in the modern era, demonstrating how the Cowboy Artists of America provides a core set of criteria for what traditional Western art looks like, solidifying the strength and vibrancy of the genre for present and future generations. On display May 27 – Sept. 5, 2022, *The Sons of Charlie Russell* includes 70 works of art encompassing paintings, sculpture, and works on paper, dating from 1890 to the present-day from 40 artists drawn from exceptional institutional and private collections – and never before seen on view together. The 17 lenders to the exhibition include institutional and private lenders from Texas, Arizona, Colorado, Nebraska, Oklahoma, and Georgia, as well as works drawn from the Briscoe’s permanent collection.

### **Thomas D. Mangelsen: A Life in the Wild**

**Sept. 29, 2022 – Jan. 29, 2023**

Western Art celebrates the American West, including the wild places and wildlife that grace the land. Featuring 40 of the renowned nature photographer’s most resonant photographs, *Thomas D. Mangelsen - A Life in the Wild* take viewers on a journey across the West and around the globe. Each image in Mangelsen’s portfolio has been taken in the wild under natural conditions, the result of him waiting for the “picture perfect moment” across decades and often in hostile conditions, allowing viewers to peer into the wild through Mangelsen’s lens. One of the most prolific nature photographers of our time, Mangelsen is an award-winning photographer whose images have been exhibited internationally and published in iconic mediums such as “National Geographic”, “Good Morning America”, and “60 Minutes”.

The Briscoe traditionally hosts free community events throughout the year, featuring complimentary museum access and activities. Community days at the Briscoe, with programming and entertainment throughout the museum campus, include:

### **National Day of the Cowboy**

**Jul. 23, 2022**

One of the Briscoe’s most treasured annual events, National Day of the Cowboy is celebrated on the fourth Saturday of July each year. Attracting Western fans of all ages for a day filled with fun, music and art throughout the museum’s home on the River Walk, the day is filled with boots, hats and all things cowboy, cowgirl and vaquero. The celebration typically includes western lessons like the art of the lasso, cowboy poetry, chuckwagon treats and cowboy crooning filling the air of the museum’s McNutt Sculpture Garden.

## **Yanaguana Indian Arts Celebration**

**Nov. 19, 2022**

Highlighting the continued vibrancy and artistic traditions of Native American communities, Yanaguana Indian Arts Celebration offers a glimpse into traditional and contemporary Native American culture. Featuring Native American artists, musical performances and dancing, the event features storytelling, artist demonstrations of painting, printmaking, pottery, weaving and carving, as well as Native American-inspired food. Yanaguana Indian Arts Celebration also features workshops and lectures celebrating Native American culture.

### **See the West All Year Long at the Briscoe**

An oasis of Western beauty just off the River Walk, the McNutt Sculpture Garden and the museum grounds feature 33 sculptures portraying various aspects of Western life. Inside the museum's beautifully restored historic home inside the former San Antonio Public Library building, the Briscoe's collection spans 14 galleries, with special exhibitions, events and a fantastic museum shop, providing art, culture, history and entertainment.

The Briscoe is open Thursday 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.*