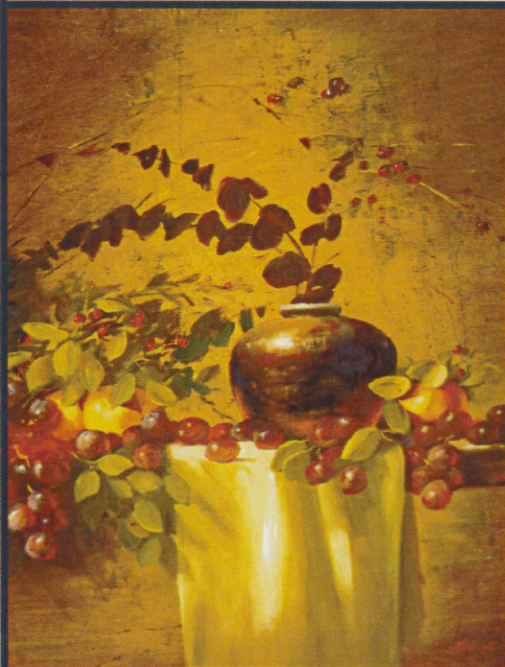


WinterArt Exhibit

January 16 - March 17

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Jerry Read Hancock was born in Ogden, Utah in 1938. He received a Bachelor of Science degree from Weber State University with a degree in Art Education and History. After graduating from college, he was employed by the Weber School District as an art teacher. Jerry taught art for about 16 years and had the honor of being selected "Utah Teacher of the Year". In 1994, Jerry and several of his art friends bought a vacant building in Ogden. It took almost 2 years to renovate the building into a viable studio space and a pleasant place for others to lease. Once completed, Jerry began to paint with more serious goals in mind. His early inspiration was the domestic animals, such as horses and cattle that he grew up with. His success fired his imagination to additional subjects: American Indians, Still Lifes, and others. Jerry is known by the wide-variety of subjects he paints. He can be easily recognized for his up-close, personal, and colorful style of painting.

Matthew John Larson earned his BFA from the University of Utah in 2007, and his MFA from the Utah State University in 2011. He studied drawing at the Florence Academy of Art in Goteburg, Sweden. Larson is an avid plein air Painter, and full time studio artist. He has received numerous awards for his plein air work, as well as his figurative work. Larson is also an accomplished portrait artist, which keeps him very busy with commissioned work. He feels working from life is an integral part of being an artist and thoroughly enjoys the challenges it presents. He has a reputation for painting in difficult conditions when working from life. Whether painting the landscape in a freezing storm or a young model's portrait in a bustling gallery, Larson thrives on the challenge. Larson's work is included in numerous private and permanent collections, including The Springville Museum of Fine Art, Zions Bank, and the State of Utah's private collection.

David Marriner Merrill, 84, prominent landscape artist and LDS Church leader, died Sunday, July 6, 1997, of a heart attack at his Farmington home. The paintings of Mr. Merrill, who operated an art gallery for several years and who won numerous awards for his paintings, were exhibited in the Springville National Invitational Art Show, the Deseret News Annual Art Show and numerous other exhibits around the state. His paintings hang in the Museum of Church History and Art of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and in many other museums and homes in Utah and other states. Mr. Merrill's work has been exhibited at the Heritage Art Show, Union Station Invitational Art Show, Eccles Community Art Center and Summerfest Art Faire. He graduated from Brigham Young University, whose Emeritus Club honored him in 1986. For eight years he taught art at Davis High School and was later art supervisor of Davis County schools.