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SUNSET OVER SANTA BARBARA A Benefit for Arts Scholarships presented by The John E. Profant Foundation for the Arts

Featuring Paintings and Murals by Paul Leasure

Saturday, October 18, 2003

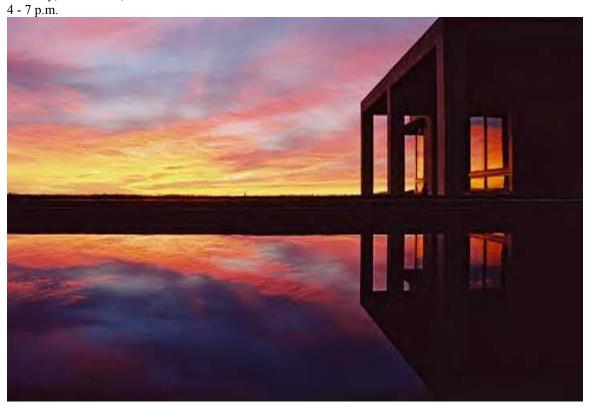


Photo by home-owner Mo Chambers

"Sunset Over Santa Barbara" features an artist helping others. This late afternoon event is a great way to start the evening or a delightful stop on one's way to the theater. Held in a beautiful contemporary residence with a spectacular view of the sunset, the benefit features paintings and murals by the highly acclaimed artist Paul Leasure.

Enjoy wine, a martini bar, hors d'oeuvres and view Leasures ethereal perspectives of landscapes, water scenes, tranquil gardens, and children, all painted with striking colors and remarkable detail. A special feature is a highly detailed 20 ft. x 17 ft. trompe l'oeil mural of a vineyard. Collectors and home-improvement enthusiasts will be amazed to discover how this colorblind artist uses his own technology in the process, and can translate a clients photographs and ideas into a masterpiece that transforms a room.

Although a "starving artist" himself, Paul is generously giving profits from art sales, including trompe l'oeil commissions, to raise funds for art scholarships. Leasure is offering free consultations to anyone who RSVPs with a reservation by October 12.

Tickets are \$15. Reservations: (805) 682-8184 or visit www.montecitoart.com.



Title: Italian Villa Mural Size: 8 ft x 16 ft

Medium: Acrylics on Drywall

Paul Leasure has received many accolades from the media for his art.

Leasure is "young, accomplished, and sought-after".

"Paul, whose work includes trompe L'oeil paintings and frescoes in private homes, shows appropriately romantic views...rendered with his careful, assiduously realist's brushwork."

"Montecito's Renaissance Man."

"Self taught artist, Paul Leasure, adds Old-World style to Montecito's halls, walls & ceilings."

"Muralist Turns Ordinary into Extraordinary."

"If the artist happens to be Paul Leasure, you become part of the work."

"Leasures first Santa Barbara commission came after his work was spotted by a Montecito patron, in Art & Antiques magazine."



Title: Detail of a Ceiling Mural "The surface is actually flat!"

Size: 7 ft x 11 ft

Medium: Acrylics on Drywall



Title: Pelicans at Seal Rookery

Size: 12 x 30

Medium: Acrylics on Birch Board

Please find below, a link to a page were you can review thumbnails of images for the "Sunset Over Santa Barbara" event.

Clicking on the thumbnails on this page will provide you with 300 dpi images of Paul Leasure's Artwork and a photo of the event location at Sunset.

http://www.montecitoart.com/photosforpress.html

For more information or if you have any trouble obtaining the images from this link you may contact Paul Leasure at:

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