

Steamboat Art Museum

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Steamboat Art Museum Extends Exhibition through September 6, 2021

Four Directions-Common Paths: Oberg, Smith, Whitcomb, Young *Friendship, Inspiration, and Craft - A Thirty Year Connection*

The Steamboat Art Museum (SAM) announces the extension of their exhibition “Four Directions – Common Paths” with Ralph Oberg, Skip Whitcomb, Matt Smith, and Dan Young, a retrospective of their 30 year personal relationship presenting on-site and studio paintings as well as new work. Each artist displays 25 paintings, many from the artists’ private collections and from collectors, as well as new works available for purchase. The exhibition tells the story of their relationship through photographs as well as videos. The exhibition runs through September 5, 2021. Their story emphasizes the words of renowned Western artist Robert Lougheed – “Painting outdoors is like being paid to eat ice cream.” A trip through this exhibition with these four master plein air/landscape painters offers a special treat. *For information and paintings –* www.steamboatartmuseum.org.

“The Steamboat Art Museum is honored to present “Four Directions – Common Paths: Oberg, Smith, Whitcomb, Young” bringing together the work of these four pre-eminent plein air painters of the West. This exhibition demonstrates the wonderful synergistic impact of their 30-year relationships-- a story of kinship, adventure, and cross-pollination to become their best. We look forward to sharing this experience.”

Betse Grassby, Executive Director Steamboat Art Museum.

“Friends for 30 years, these four amigos treasure their time together, whether it is in the field sharing a ridgeline, critiquing each other’s handiwork at the end of an outing, or catching up at a major art show somewhere around the country. All believe their friendship and light sibling-like rivalry has made their work better and spurred them to continue to grow over that 30+ year period. And these four gentlemen proved nice guys can finish first – in art, friendship and life.”

Seth Hopkins, Executive Director – Booth Western Art Museum

“There’s no doubt in my mind that this will be one of the premier museum exhibitions in America in 2021. These four artists are exhibiting the culmination of decades of maturity in their craft. It is not to be missed.”

Tim Newton, Chairman and CEO Emeritus, The Salmagundi Club, NY, NY

The Steamboat Art Museum, established in 2006, is located in the heart of downtown Steamboat Springs, Colorado. Housed in the iconic First National Bank / Rehder Building (1905/1920) on the National Registry of Historic Places, the museum presents artwork by living masters whose work is relevant to the culture and heritage of the West. The building provides an exquisite setting for its rotating exhibitions of retrospectives and group shows, including upcoming exhibitions Oil Painters of America National Exhibition (2017 and 2022) and Kim Wiggins Retrospective Exhibition (Summer 2023).