

Catalina: The Wild Side Art Show and Sale

Artist of the Week: John Cosby

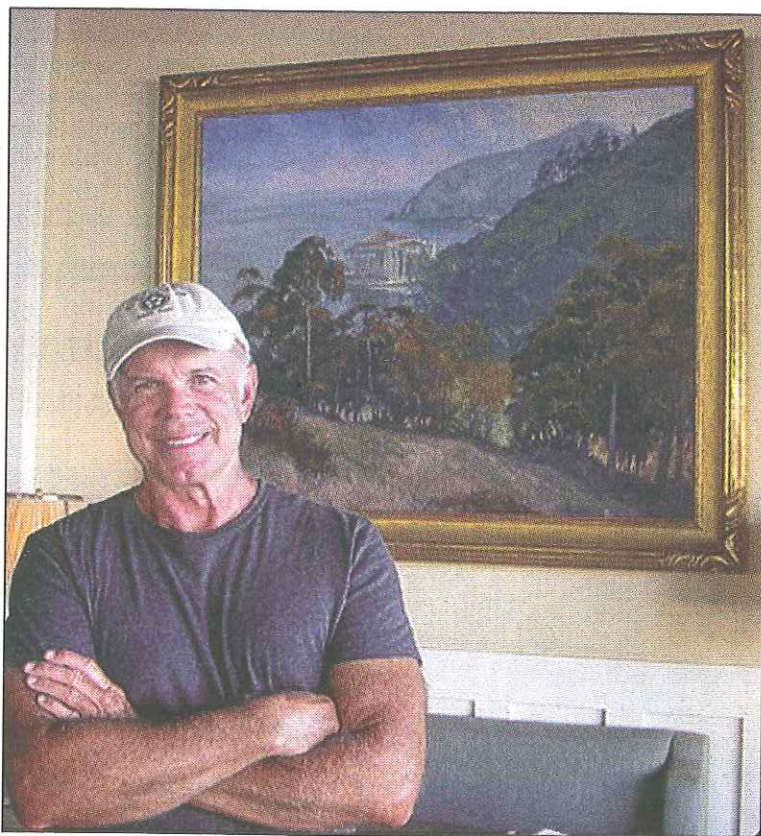
Born in Hollywood in 1955, John Cosby was raised in the West. He began to draw and paint at an early age and his grandmother was an oil painter.

"She would give me the paint, some brushes and a scrap of canvas, and send me off to paint," said Cosby. "This early experience took the fear out of creating a painting."

He traveled extensively at an early age. At 18, Cosby was hired as a communications advancement man for President Nixon and traveled the globe, serving through the Ford Administration. He was captivated by the great works of art he encountered.

He began his art career while sailing up and down the Eastern Seaboard for three years with a friend. After returning to California, he began painting the sea and landscapes of coastal California.

Formerly of Paso Robles, California, John currently resides in Laguna Beach. He works on location around the world. He was a founding board member of the Laguna Plein Air Painters Association and is a signature member of California Art Club. He was also a founder of the Laguna Beach Plein Air Painting Invitational held at the



John Cosby will participate in the Conservancy's Catalina: Wild Side Art Show. Photo courtesy of the Catalina Island Conservancy

vancy invites you to join them for the 6th Annual Catalina: The Wild Side Art Show on Sunday, October 23, 2016 at the Newport Harbor Yacht Club. Featuring ten nationally-renowned plein air artists, the show features only works depicting Catalina Island, from Avalon to Two Harbors, and with a special focus on the lands stewarded by the Catalina

participate in this year's Catalina: The Wild Side show are Brian Blood, John Cosby, Don Demers, Kathleen Dunphy, Andy Evansen, Debra Huse, Laurie Kersey, Kim Lordier, Ron Rencher, and Matt Smith. The Avalon Bay News will feature each of these artists in upcoming issues before the show and sale.

Side Art Show. Priority Admission tickets allow attendees in to the show at 1:30 p.m. and gives them the opportunity to purchase paintings before the show opens to the public. These tickets must be purchased in advance - they will not be available the day of the show. General Admission tickets will have access to the show beginning at 2:30 p.m. Limited General Admission

tickets will be available the day of the show for \$75 per person. The Conservancy encourages you to make your reservations in advance. Early Bird pricing ends on September 30, 2016 at 11:59 p.m. PST. To make reservations go online to the Catalina Island Conservancy's website: www.catalinaconservancy.org or call 310-510-1445 for more information.

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