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## **Fine Art Meets Traditional Cowboy Tools in 22<sup>nd</sup> Traditional Cowboy Arts Association Sale and Exhibition**

*Traditional Cowboy Arts Association (TCAA) is elevating the legacy of the traditional cowboy arts at the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum.*

**OKLAHOMA CITY, OK** – Saddles, bits and spurs, braided rawhide and Western silver are presented as fine art as well as functional pieces of Cowboy equipment during the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Traditional Cowboy Arts Association Annual Sale at The Cowboy.

Fourteen of the finest traditional cowboy artists will exhibit 51 pieces of original work in Oklahoma City during the 22<sup>nd</sup> annual *Traditional Cowboy Arts Exhibition & Sale*, October 1, 2021 – January 2, 2022, at the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum.

“The *Traditional Cowboy Arts Exhibition & Sale* is a highlight not only for those with an interest in the cowboy arts, but also for those with an interest in art, period,” said Museum President & CEO Natalie Shirley. “The saddle makers, bit and spur makers, silversmiths and rawhide braiders who comprise the TCAA are among the most skilled artists working today; creating extraordinarily beautiful art that evolved from the tools of the working cowboy.”

The *Traditional Cowboy Arts Exhibition and Sale* weekend will begin with an Exclusive Preview Cocktail Reception, Friday, October 1 at 6:00 p.m. to allow potential buyers and collectors the opportunity to see the pieces the day before the sale.

The exhibition will open to the public at 10 a.m., Saturday, October 2. Attendees to the Saturday sale are invited to mingle with the artists during Cocktails in the Galleries at 5 p.m. The Fixed-Price Draw for Art Sale will begin at 6:30 p.m. and end after 7 p.m. The evening will conclude with a Celebration Dinner at 7:30 p.m.

For the first time ever, art buyers are invited to purchase through the Western Heritage App, available for iPhone, iPad and iPod Touch. Buyers can browse art and submit ballots once they have registered for the show and received the show key. For more information on the App, visit [nationalcowboymuseum.org/tcaa](http://nationalcowboymuseum.org/tcaa).

An online catalog and a proxy service are available for buyers who cannot attend the event in person. All artworks will remain on exhibit and on sale through January 2, 2022.

To view the catalog, make a reservation, sponsor the event, or use the proxy service, visit [nationalcowboymuseum.org/tcaa](http://nationalcowboymuseum.org/tcaa). Reservations are also available by contacting Kaylia McCracken at [kmccracken@nationalcowboymuseum.org](mailto:kmccracken@nationalcowboymuseum.org) or 405-839-7794. Proxy service is also available by contacting Trent Riley at (405) 839-7097 or [triley@nationalcowboymuseum.org](mailto:triley@nationalcowboymuseum.org).

Event sponsors include Kraig and Deborah Kirschner, Dellora A. & Lester J. Norris Foundation, and Leslie Rainbolt, M.D., MBA.

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### **About the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum**

The National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City is America's premier institution of Western history, art and culture. Founded in 1955, the Museum collects, preserves and exhibits an internationally renowned collection of Western art and artifacts while sponsoring dynamic educational programs to stimulate interest in the enduring legacy of the American West. For more information, visit [nationalcowboymuseum.org](http://nationalcowboymuseum.org).

### **TRADITIONAL COWBOY ARTS ASSOCIATION**

Founded in 1998, the TCAA is dedicated to preserving and promoting the skills of saddle making, bit and spur making, silver smithing and rawhide braiding and the role of these traditional crafts in the cowboy culture of the North American West.