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Late Oklahoma Artist Harold T. Holden's Artwork to be Presented at 52nd Prix de West® Invitational Art Exhibition & Sale

Two of Holden's drawings will be featured alongside artwork from 89 of today's finest contemporary artists.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK – Several works by the late Oklahoma artist Harold T. Holden will be exhibited and available for purchase at the 2024 *Prix de West*® at the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on exhibit May 31-August 4, with the Art Sale Weekend held June 7-8, 2024.

A celebrated painter and sculptor, Holden (known simply as "H" to most) captured the West in his artwork for upwards of 50 years. In 2012, Holden was elected a member of the Cowboys Artists of America, and in 2017 he became the first Oklahoma artist inducted into the National Cowboy Museum's Hall of Great Westerners. Prior to his death on December 6, 2023, Holden participated in the annual *Prix de West*[®] *Invitational Art Exhibition & Sale* for 28 years, receiving the James Earle Fraser Sculpture Award for "exceptional artistic merit" in 2020.

Prix de West[®] features works ranging from historical subject matter that reflect the early days of the West, to more contemporary and impressionistic artistic expressions. Landscapes, wildlife art and illustrative scenes are always highlighted in the exhibition. The highly anticipated annual exhibition and sale is the Museum's largest annual fundraiser, hosting a live auction and a fixed-price art sale that helps to fund Museum exhibitions and family programming. In 2023, the Museum sold more than \$3 million during the 51st *Prix de West*[®].

For the 52nd *Prix de West*®, many artists are expected to attend, including new artists Tony Abeyta, Dan Friday, Abigail Gutting, Brett Allen Johnson, Jerry Jordan, Mary Whyte and Kim Wiggins. Art Sale Weekend will include artist seminars, demonstrations, a cocktail reception, a live auction and an awards dinner on Saturday, June 8.

Returning this year are virtual viewing and proxy bidding options for those who are unable to attend *Prix de West*[®] in person.

For more information on the 52nd annual *Prix de West*[®] *Invitational Art Exhibition & Sale,* to make reservations, see a full schedule of events, or arrange to bid by proxy, visit nationalcowboymuseum.org/prixdewest.

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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. The Museum is located only six miles northeast of downtown Oklahoma City at 1700 Northeast 63rd Street. For more information, visit nationalcowboymuseum.org.