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## Cahoon Museum of American Art to Hold Online Art Auction June 26 to July 10

(COTUIT, Massachusetts) – The 2021 <u>Cahoon Museum Art Auction – Brush Off</u> kicks off online at 9 a.m. on Saturday, June 26, and runs through July 10. The auction is open to the public and includes artworks at all price points. The event features over 125 pieces by more than 70 local and regional artists.

Featured artists this year include Jackie deRuyter, Alfred Glover, Duncan Johnson, Kathryn Kleekamp, Michael MacMahon, Sarah Peters, Christy Peterson, <u>Ethan Murrow</u>, Kate Nelson, and Scott Prior.

As part of the two-week celebration, many of the region's most talented plein air artists will be setting up their easels in the community to capture the scenic seaside landscape. This is a unique opportunity to watch the painters and experience the creative process. The paintings produced by the plein air artists will also be available in the online auction.

The <u>Art Auction</u> is the Museum's most important fundraiser. To preview a selection of the available artworks, the public is invited to two free-admission Open Houses at the Museum on Sunday, June 27 and Saturday, July 10. Information about the available artworks and bidding can be found at <u>cahoonmuseum.org/brush-off</u>.

The auction is sponsored by William H. and Mary H. Woods Fund for the Arts and Literacy, The Horton Family, and Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Robert Paul Properties.

Press Image: Christy Peterson, Quiet Bay, 2021, oil on canvas

## **Related Program**

Virtual Program - Art Collecting: Learn from the Experts Wednesday, June 30, 7 to 8 p.m. Admission free; registration required The Cahoon Museum's Art Auction offers a unique opportunity for individual art collectors and businesses at all stages of their collecting journeys to support regional artists and build distinctive collections. Curator and art advisor Mallory Ruymann, Principal/Head of Curatorial Projects at <u>art\_works</u>, will join art advisor Paul Kotakis, founder of <u>PÁIDIA Arts</u>, and artists Andrew Fish and Azita Moradkhani for a discussion about contemporary art collecting practices. Mallory Ruymann will discuss the relationships that inform the art ecosystem along with collecting strategies that individuals and institutions can employ to engage the most compelling artists of our time. Paul Kotakis will offer insight into the art market and how to tap into local resources to build relationships directly with artists. The program will include a question and answer session to be moderated by Education and Programs Manager Michael MacMahon. The program will take place on Zoom. Learn more and register <u>here</u>.

## About the Cahoon Museum of American Art

<u>The Cahoon Museum of American Art</u> presents historical and contemporary art exhibitions in the landmark Crocker House in Cotuit, MA. The Museum welcomes visitors of all ages to learn about art and art history, to enjoy fun, family friendly events, to delight in creative programming, and to embrace the enduring story of the important folk artists Ralph and Martha Cahoon. The Museum is committed to its mission to celebrate American art in ways that expand knowledge, enrich the spirit, and engage the heart.

The Cahoon Museum of American Art is located at 4676 Falmouth Road (Rt. 28) in Cotuit, MA. For more information, visit cahoonmuseum.org or call 508-428-7581.

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