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THE RITZ-CARLTON, LAGUNA NIGUEL DEBUTS THE COLORFUL AND MYSTICAL WORKS OF RENOWNED ARTIST HUNT SLONEM

Dawson Cole Fine Art presents Slonem's vivid and awe-inspiring works at The Ritz-Carlton, Laguna Niguel's exclusive Club Level Lounge



L-R: Hunt Slonem in his studio (credit: Luigi Cazzaniga) & his painting titled Molucans, XY featured in the exhibit

DANA POINT, CA – August 15, 2022 – [The Ritz-Carlton, Laguna Niguel](#) is proud to be the first hotel to display pieces from New York artist, [Hunt Slonem](#), celebrated for his Neo-Expressionist paintings, in its new exhibit *The World Of Folly*, curated by [Dawson Cole Fine Art](#). Now on display in the resort's Club Level Lounge, the contemporary art exhibit features 18 pieces showcasing the artist's signature use of bold color, post cubist abstraction and playful formalism.

"We are excited to showcase Hunt Slonem's collection of original paintings for the guests of The Ritz-Carlton, Laguna Niguel property," states Dawson Cole Fine Art Principal Ariane MacDonald. "To have the opportunity to collaborate with celebrity artist, Hunt Slonem, and this prestigious property and share it with the Orange County community is a privilege."

An American painter, sculptor, and printmaker, Slonem is renowned for his distinctive neo-expressionist style. The artist is best known for his series of bunnies, butterflies and tropical birds, as well as his large-scale sculptures and restorations of forgotten homes. Inspired by nature and his 60 pet birds, Hunt Slonem

has a genuine love for animals, and his paintings encompass unique inspirations drawn from the world, filling viewers with the sense of wonder for which the artist is so well known. The artist's works can be found in prominent private collections and the permanent collections of 250 museums around the world, including the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City, the Whitney, the Miro Foundation, and the New Orleans Museum of Art.

Exhibited works in the Club Level Lounge include oil on canvas, oil on wood, and mixed media pieces with unexpected mediums such as diamond dust. A unique feature of the exhibit includes brief descriptions of each work and QR codes which guests may scan using their mobile devices. Similar to a self-guided museum experience, guests can watch videos on the Artist, learn more about the creative process and take a journey through the life of the artist and the "World of Folly" exhibition.

Guests may purchase the art by contacting Dawson Cole Fine Art at (949) 497-4988 or visiting <https://lagunabeach.dawsoncofineart.com/>.

The exhibit is on display in the hotel's Club Level Lounge, exclusive to resort guests staying on the accompanying floor. Visit www.ritzcarlton.com/lagunaniguel to learn more about the resort's rotating art exhibits or reserve your next stay.

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About The Ritz-Carlton, Laguna Niguel

[The Ritz-Carlton, Laguna Niguel](#) opened in August 1984 as the first Ritz-Carlton resort perched above Salt Creek Beach with panoramic views of the Pacific Ocean and direct access to miles of sandy beach. Presented against an extraordinary backdrop, the re-imagined surfside retreat redefines the guest experience by creating distinctive and unforgettable moments that embrace its oceanfront setting – from sea-inspired spa treatments and locally sourced restaurant menus to ocean view accommodations, family-friendly eco-adventure excursions, and unique surfboard displays. The seaside property offers 396 newly renovated guest rooms and suites with personal patios or balconies, along with six distinctive dining outlets, an intimate Ritz-Carlton Spa, a dedicated Eco-Adventure Center, and unrivaled activities that embrace the surroundings. The iconic resort emphasizes unparalleled Ritz-Carlton service while delivering a genuine experience with a playful approach to luxury. Follow The Ritz-Carlton, Laguna Niguel on [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#), or [Facebook](#).

About Dawson Cole Fine Art

Originally established in 1993, [Dawson Cole Fine Art](#) specializes in Contemporary and Modern sculpture, drawings, prints, and unique works on paper by American and European Masters. With a special concentration in Contemporary, Early Modern and West Coast Regionalism, the gallery offers works by Chuck Close, Wayne Thiebaud, Hunt Slonem, Richard MacDonald, Carolyn Reynolds, Daniel Maltzman, Henri Matisse, Henry Moore, Pablo Picasso among others.