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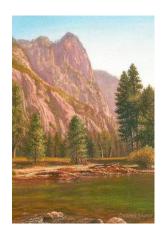
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EXQUISITE MINIATURES BY WES AND RACHELLE SIEGRIST AT LYMAN ALLYN ART MUSEUM

New London - Wes and Rachelle Siegrist are an American husband and wife team who mesmerize viewers with miniature paintings so exquisitely crafted that they are often mistaken for tiny photographs. Their tiny treasures, as collectors often refer to them, typically measure less than nine square inches and appear even more detailed when viewed under magnification. A hallmark of their work is their ability to convey the feeling of a larger canvas or the essence of the natural world in miniature. *Exquisite Miniatures* is on view Nov. 9, 2024 – Jan. 26, 2025.







Left to right: Immature Caracara, 2013, watercolor, $3.5" \times 3.5"$; Grandeur in Yosemite, 2013, watercolor, $4" \times 2.75"$; Ladder Back Falls, 2014, $3.5" \times 3.5"$.

Featuring 50 signature paintings including landscapes, portraits, still lifes, wildlife, and other subjects by Wes and Rachelle Siegrist, *Exquisite Miniatures* reveals the artists' vision of the world in remarkable detail. Additional works from the Museum's collection illustrate the history of miniature painting and a hands-on drawing station lets visitors create their own small wonders.

Wes and Rachelle Siegrist are members of the Miniature Artists of America, the Miniature Art Society of Florida, the Miniature Painters, Sculptors & Gravers Society of Washington, D.C., the Cider Painters of America, and the Hilliard Society of England. They are the authors of the world's first standard definition of miniature art adopted by the Association of Miniaturist Artists. It is no small wonder, therefore, that the Siegrist's have been referred to as "World Ambassadors for Miniature Art."

For more information or to request images, please contact Rebecca Dawson by email at dawson@lymanallyn.org.

Exquisite Miniatures by Wes and Rachelle Siegrist is produced by <u>David J. Wagner</u>, Ph.D. Curator/Tour Director.

About Lyman Allyn Art Museum

Lyman Allyn Art Museum welcomes visitors from New London, southeastern Connecticut and all over the world. Established in 1926 with a gift from Harriet Allyn in memory of her seafaring father, the Museum opened the doors of its beautiful neoclassical building surrounded by 12 acres of green space in 1932. Today it presents several changing exhibitions each year and houses a fascinating collection of over 19,000 objects from ancient times to the present, including art from Africa, Asia, the Americas and Europe, with particularly strong collections of American paintings, decorative arts and Victorian toys and doll houses.

The museum is located at 625 Williams Street, New London, Connecticut, exit 83 off I-95. It is open **Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sundays 1 - 5 p.m.**, and closed on Mondays and major holidays. For more information call 860.443.2545, ext. 2129 or visit www.lymanallyn.org.