DENVER, CO. **Dinah Worman** has been named the *2017 Featured Artist* of the **24th Annual Coors Western Art Exhibit & Sale**. Dinah’s painting “Community” will be the signature work for the 2017 Coors Western Art Exhibit & Sale, and thereafter will reside in the National Western’s permanent collection. “Community” will also be available for sale as a poster, and can be purchased at the 2017 Coors Show or online at [www.CoorsWesternArt.com](http://www.CoorsWesternArt.com).

The Coors Western Art Exhibit & Sale opens Tuesday evening, January 3, 2017, with the Red Carpet Gala Reception. The Exhibit features 66 contemporary realists from North America and Europe who capture the Western way of life.

Featured Artist Dinah Worman, a painter and printmaker, has been in the Coors Western Art Show since 2011. In prior shows, Ms. Worman received the Best in Show Award and the *Southwest Art* Award. Her oil painting “Community” depicts Ms. Worman’s signature style of “stacked landscapes,” where she often treats the landscape like a still life for compositional elements rather than the beauty of individual objects.

New artists to the 2017 Coors Western Art Show are Alicia Bailey, Michael Blessing, Tanya Bone, Kevin Box, Lois Conner, Stephanie Hartshorn, Linda Lillegraven, Scott Parker, Pati Stajcar, Debbie Stevens, and Rob Watt. Also look for 15 exciting emerging artists at the Young Guns Reception on Monday, January 2, 2017 – an event designed for up-and-coming art collectors ages 40 and under. The Young Guns artists will be on display in the Gallery at the National Western Club during the Stock Show. Artwork in both shows can be previewed online at [www.coorswesternart.com](http://www.coorswesternart.com).

The 2017 Coors Western Art Exhibit & Sale is in its 24th year. Last year over 1000 people attended the Red Carpet Gala Reception on opening night, and over 29,000 viewed the exhibit during the National Western Stock Show. The 2016 Coors Western Art Show raised $1.1 million in ticket
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and art sales, with net proceeds going to the National Western Scholarship Trust, which provides financial support to 80-plus college students studying medicine, agriculture, and veterinary medicine.

2017 Coors Western Art Winterwest Event Schedule:

- **Monday evening, January 2, 2017 – Young Guns Reception**, opening for the Gallery at the National Western Club, 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the National Western Complex, Expo Hall, Third Floor. This ticketed networking event and art sale is for art collectors ages 40 and under.

- **Tuesday, January 3, 2017 – Lunch & Lecture, “New Visions: Contemporary Photography of the American West,”** 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the History Colorado Center. Moderated by Megan Friedel, Curator of Photography at the History Colorado Center. Invited panelists include photographers Barbara Van Cleve, Maeve Eichelberger, Lois Conner, and Laura Wilson.

- **Tuesday evening, January 3, 2017 – Red Carpet Gala Reception**, 24th Annual Coors Western Art Exhibit & Sale opening night, 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the National Western Complex, Expo Hall, Third Floor.

- **Wednesday, January 4, 2017 – 11th Annual Petrie Institute of Western American Art Symposium**, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Denver Art Museum.

- **Saturday, January 7 through Sunday, January 22, 2017**, Coors Western Art Exhibit and the National Western Stock Show open to the public, hours on www.nationalwestern.com.

To view art for the 2017 Coors Western Art Exhibit and Gallery at the National Western Club, learn about the artists and events, and to purchase tickets, please visit www.coorswesternart.com.

For more information or images of these artists’ work, please contact show coordinator Krista Hanley coorsart@nationalwestern.com or curator Rose Fredrick at 303-733-4755 or email rosegfredrick@comcast.net.

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