

Artist Wayne Thiebaud to Meet with Faculty and Students at the Art Students League of New York on May 15

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Renowned painter and art educator Wayne Thiebaud will address the faculty and students at the Art Students League on May 15. Represented by Acquavella Galleries in New York City and Paul Thiebaud Gallery in San Francisco, Mr. Thiebaud is also Professor Emeritus at the University of California at Davis and has made a lifetime commitment to nurturing the next generations of artists.

Early in his career, he joined lectures and classes at the League, especially with Yasuo Kuniyoshi. In gratitude for that experience, he will return to the art school where America's great artists have learned and taught since 1875.

Mr. Thiebaud is in New York for the opening of his <u>drawing exhibition at the Morgan Library</u> featuring the foundations of his work, one of the most iconic and personal expressions in the history of American art.

"The Art Students League is grateful for this historic and generous presentation by this American master," League Board President Tom Harvey stated. "This is the direction and the kind of quality presentation that have been the hallmark of the League's unparalleled history. I look forward to naming Mr. Thiebaud as a Distinguished Member of the League's Faculty and welcoming him to the family of great artists who has lectured and taught at this institution."

Mr. Thiebaud notes, "The ideas I garnered during my time at the League were meaningful and I look forward to interacting with the next generation of American artists."

About the Art Students League of New York

The Art Students League of New York is one of America's premier art schools. It was founded in 1875 by artists, for artists, to provide affordable studio-based art education of the highest quality. Great artists have trained, taught, and exhibited at the League throughout its rich history. Classes, lectures, workshops, exhibitions, and professional development programs continue the League's legacy of supporting students who intend to make art a profession, and cultivating a spirit of community among artists. Among its prominent instructors and students, the League counts Thomas Eakins, Frederic Remington, Reginald Marsh, Georgia O'Keeffe, Norman Rockwell, Jackson Pollock, Robert Rauschenberg, Mark Rothko, Jacob Lawrence, Louise Nevelson, and Ai Weiwei, among many others. Today, thousands of students each year study drawing, painting, sculpture, printmaking and mixed media at the League. www.theartstudentsleague.org