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**ALEXANDRE RENOIR SUPPORTS LOCAL CHARITY WITH
PAINTING DONATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH LABOR DAY EXHIBITION**

The great grandson of Master Impressionist Pierre-August Renoir will paint artwork during his Stone Harbor exhibit that will be donated to the Helen L. Diller Vacation Home for Blind Children

STONE HARBOR, NJ – August 19, 2015 – Alexandre Renoir has been blessed with many gifts in his lifetime, including his genetic aptitude for painting magnificent artwork, a well-traveled life surrounded by art and artists, and, most recently, with a lovely wife, whom he married in Hawaii this month. When he visits [Ocean Galleries](http://www.OceanGalleries.com) for a Labor Day weekend exhibition, Alexandre Renoir will be giving back to the community that has welcomed him for the past 10+ years with a painting donation for the [Helen L. Diller Vacation Home for Blind Children](http://www.HelenL.Diller.org) in Avalon, NJ.



Throughout his weekend visit to Ocean Galleries (9618 Third Avenue, Stone Harbor), the talented artist will be working on a special painting created specifically for the Diller Blind Home. His exhibit, “Renoir: Modern Day Impressionism,” opens on Friday, September 4 and runs through Monday, September 7, 2015 at Ocean Galleries. Guests will have the opportunity to meet Alexandre Renoir and watch him at his craft during gallery receptions from 7:00 PM until 10:00 PM on Saturday, September 5 and Sunday, September 6.

“Several years ago, we started what has now become a tradition where I actually paint during my gallery show in Stone Harbor. For the past several shows at Ocean Galleries, we have donated the creation to the Diller Blind Home to help raise funds for this important regional charity,” explained Renoir. “I am very grateful that the New Jersey shore communities have welcomed me for the past 10 years – this is just my small way of giving back to them.”

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This year's painting donation for the [Helen L. Diller Vacation Home for Blind Children](#) will have a sunset theme and will be custom-framed by Ocean Galleries. The painting donation will be part of the auction at the organization's fifth annual Barefoot Ball being held Saturday, September 12 at The Windrift Hotel in Avalon, NJ. For the past two years, Alexandre painted artwork with a Lighthouse theme, raising \$12,000 for the organization.

"We are very grateful to Alexandre and Ocean Galleries for their generous donations over the past several years and are looking forward to seeing this year's masterpiece," said Anne Coskey, Development Director for the Diller Vacation Home for Blind Children. Since 1972, blind and visually impaired children have been enjoying an all-expense-paid one-week summer vacation at the Helen L. Diller Vacation Home for Blind Children in Avalon, NJ through the support of generous donors. "We rely on the support of our benefactors who make it possible for each camper to enjoy a summer vacation at no cost to their families."



Alexandre Renoir's exhibition at Ocean Galleries will include over 50 paintings, pastels, and prints, many of which were created for the Stone Harbor event. Although his collection of artwork includes numerous still lifes, many of Alexandre's paintings are land and seascapes like his great-grandfather's works.

"Renoir: Modern Day Impressionism" will be at Ocean Galleries (9618 Third Avenue, Stone Harbor, NJ) from Friday, September 4 through Monday September 7, 2015. Meet Alexandre Renoir at receptions from 7:00 PM until 10:00 PM on Saturday, September 5 and Sunday, September 6. Gallery hours for the exhibit are 10:00 AM until 10:00 PM Friday through Sunday, and 10:00 AM until 5:00 PM on Monday. The exhibition and all receptions are free, with all artwork available for acquisition.

For more information on Ocean Galleries and the Alexandre Renoir exhibit, call 609-368-7777 or visit www.oceangalleries.com For information on the Helen L. Diller Vacation Home for Blind Children, call 610-329-6133 or visit www.dillerblindhome.org

For 30 years, Ocean Galleries has provided quality art by contemporary artists to their clients while practicing the highest standards of credibility and integrity in a comfortable and unpretentious atmosphere. With locations in Stone Harbor and Avalon, New Jersey, the distinguished art galleries feature an ever-changing display of artwork that includes local artists' watercolors, nationally recognized artists' originals, popular beach prints, and limited editions. Ocean Galleries also carries fine furniture and hand-made crafts from America and around the world. Both locations have on-premises custom framing with design specialists and professional framers who can offer a wide selection of mouldings and an endless combination of traditional and custom-designed matting to complement and preserve any art. For more information, please call 609.368.7777 or visit www.oceangalleries.com

The newly renovated Helen L. Diller Vacation Home for Blind Children, at 127 26th Street in Avalon, offers 1-week, expenses-paid vacations for blind and visually impaired children from the ages of 7 to 15. Since 1972, the home has been providing a seashore escape for visually impaired children, with supervision from experienced and certified counselors and administrators. Since many of these children come from families with limited financial means, the vacation experience is provided to them at no charge. Support for the home is provided by fundraising events like the Turkey Trot and Barefoot Ball, volunteerism, Tim Kerr Charities, the Avalon Lions Club and the New Jersey Lions, private donations and foundation grants. For more information, visit www.dillerblindhome.org