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**PETER MAX CELEBRATES AMERICA WITH
FOURTH OF JULY WEEKEND EXHIBITION AT OCEAN GALLERIES**

Iconic artist returns to Stone Harbor, NJ with latest collection of artwork

STONE HARBOR, NJ – June 6, 2016 – In what has become a beloved Stone Harbor tradition, the one-and-only Peter Max returns to [Ocean Galleries](http://OceanGalleries.com) (9618 Third Avenue, Stone Harbor/609.368.7777) over the Fourth of July weekend, with his newest artwork and a collection of his most-revered imagery spanning nearly five decades.

“Peter Max Celebrates America the Beautiful” opens Friday, July 1 and runs through Monday, July 4, 2016 from 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM daily, with all artwork on display available for acquisition. Guests will have the opportunity to meet Peter Max when he signs purchased artwork from 7:00 PM until 10:00 PM on Saturday, July 2 and from 1:00 PM until 4:00 PM on Sunday, July 3.

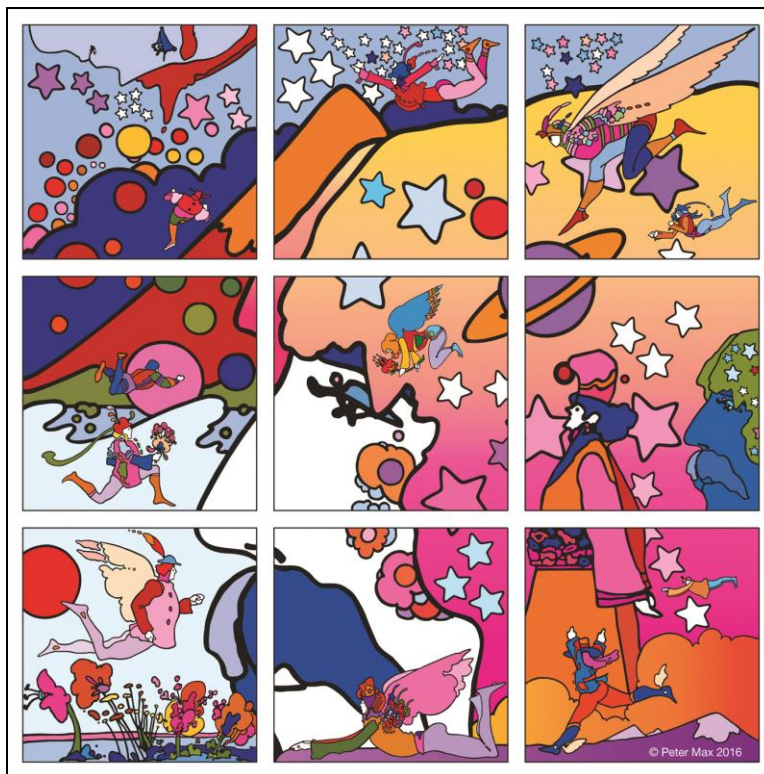


Flags & Liberty Heads, Copyright Peter Max 2016

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Peter Max has inspired Americans for more than four decades. One of the most famous of all living artists, Max has solidified his status as a pop culture icon – his bold colors, uplifting images, and uncommon artistic diversity have touched almost every phase of American culture and inspired many generations.

Max has been successively called a Pop Icon, Neo Fauvist, Abstract Expressionist, and the United States "Painter Laureate." His artwork has been on display in hundreds of museums and galleries worldwide, and his one-man museum exhibitions have had record-breaking attendance while also demonstrating how fine art can extend beyond museum walls and enrich non-traditional media, such as a Continental Airlines super jet, a Norwegian cruise ship, and a 600-foot Woodstock stage.



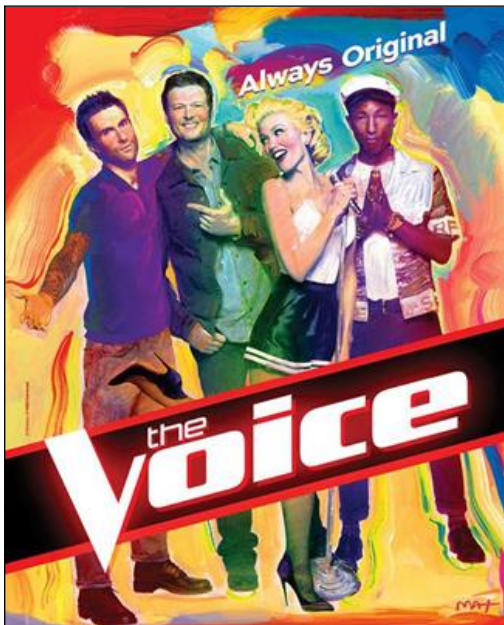
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The Fourth of July holiday is especially significant to Max, who fell in love with America as a young boy growing up in China. Years later living in America, when he learned of the Statue of Liberty's disrepair, he worked as an artist and activist to raise funds for its restoration. Since America's Bicentennial, Max has painted the Statue of Liberty annually and, in 2000, a collage of his "Liberty" paintings adorned over 145 million Verizon phone books.



Liberty Head, Copyright Peter Max 2016

Peter Max is revered for his celebrity commissions and portraits. His portraits have honored many of the most prominent personalities of our era, including **six U.S. presidents, The Dalai Lama, Martin Luther King, Jr., The Pope**, and many other celebrities, as well as rock and jazz musicians. Last year, Peter Max turned the talented coaches of ‘The Voice,’ into a work of art for NBC’s print, digital and outdoor



campaign celebrating Season 9 of the hit show. Peter painted portraits of coaches **Adam Levine, Blake Shelton, Gwen Stefani, and Pharrell Williams** in his signature, bold and colorful, expressionistic style. He also recently released a series of paintings in honor of the **Frank Sinatra** Centennial Celebration.

Throughout his career, Peter Max has provided artwork for numerous national and international events. Max has been the Official Artist of the Grammy’s, five NFL Super Bowls, the 2006 Olympics, the World Cup USA, the World Series, the U.S. Open, the Indy 500, the NYC Marathon, and the Kentucky Derby.

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“It is always a thrill to have Peter in the gallery for one of his energetic exhibits,” gallery owner Kim Miller explains. “One of the highlights of his shows at Ocean Galleries is the custom artwork he creates specifically for the Stone Harbor event. Having visited with us in the seaside community over the past 15 years, he fell in love with the natural beauty of the area and has painted numerous pieces that capture the essence of the shore in his vibrant, signature style”.



Ocean Series III, Copyright Peter Max 2016

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In addition to an extraordinary collection of artwork and custom-framing, Ocean Galleries also offers a variety of hand-made crafts from local, regional, and national artists in America, such as glass, pottery, jewelry, and furniture. **All summer exhibitions take place at the Stone Harbor location of Ocean Galleries (9618 Third Avenue), which is open from 10:00 AM until 10:00 PM daily throughout the summer.** The Avalon, NJ location of Ocean Galleries (2199 Ocean Drive) is open 9:00 AM until 5:00 PM Monday through Saturday.

For more information or directions, call **609-368-7777** or visit www.oceangalleries.com

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For more than 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