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**“THE CAT BEHIND THE HAT!” ART EXHIBIT DEBUTS AT OCEAN GALLERIES
OVER FATHER’S DAY WEEKEND**

Exhibit Opens Friday, June 14 in Stone Harbor for a limited engagement

STONE HARBOR, NJ – May 20, 2019 – [Ocean Galleries](http://OceanGalleries.com) will share a compelling selection of artworks from [The Art of Dr. Seuss Collection](#) over Father’s Day weekend in Stone Harbor, New Jersey (9618 Third Avenue/609.368.7777) when they debut “The Cat Behind the Hat!” exhibit - a series of print and bronze limited edition art. Guests are invited to join *Art of Dr. Seuss* collection representative, Jeff Schuffman, as he discusses this first time showing for the exhibition during special receptions, taking place from 7:00 PM until 10:00 PM on Friday, June 14 and Saturday, June 15, and from 1:00 PM until 4:00 PM on Sunday, June 16, 2019. The exhibition is free, with all artwork on display available for acquisition.



The Cat Behind the Hat, Authorized Estate Edition

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For over 60 years, Dr. Seuss's illustrations have brought a visual realization to his fantastic and imaginary worlds. His artistic talent went far beyond the printed page and yet, to this day, his *Secret Art Collection* is virtually unknown to the general public. Throughout his lifetime, Theodor Seuss Geisel (a.k.a. Dr. Seuss) created paintings and sculpture, which he secreted away at the Dr. Seuss Estate.

During the "Cat Behind the Hat!" exhibition, visitors can explore and acquire works from Dr. Seuss's best-known children's books, as well as *The Secret Art of Dr. Seuss*, a mind-expanding collection based on decades of artwork, which Dr. Seuss created at night for his own personal pleasure. Perhaps the wackiest and most wonderful elements of the collection are Dr. Seuss's three-dimensional "Unorthodox Taxidermy" sculptures with names such as *Carbonic Walrus*, *Two-Horned Drouberhannis*, and *Goo-Goo-Eyed Tasmanian Wolghast*, to name a few.



Cat in Obsolete Shower, Authorized Estate Edition

Additionally, Ted's cat was never far from his artist thoughts. He drew himself as *The Cat Behind the Hat*, his cat was the protagonist in several of his Secret Art paintings and, as a fun aside, many of his early advertisements and cartoons had a "cat bystander" witnessing all the action. They hinted at his adventures across the world, his reclusive sensibility despite his fame, and his penchant for the childlike fantasy and humor, which infused nearly every facet of his life.

Despite the unprecedented demand during his lifetime, no limited-edition artworks were ever conceived, authorized, or created until the historic “Secret Art of Dr. Seuss” project began in 1997, six years after Geisel’s death. That year, this exclusive project put into motion a series of artworks and exhibitions, which firmly established him as one of the most iconic artistic talents of the twentieth century.

“The beloved Dr. Seuss artwork exhibits have become somewhat of an annual Stone Harbor tradition enjoyed by kids of all ages. Our gallery was fortunate to be chosen to host ‘The Cat Behind the Hat!’ collection for the very first time, so it will be fun to debut the art featuring the renowned cat to the shore area!” said Ocean Galleries owner Kim Miller. “We love that our customers can share the joy in this whimsical collection with their entire family and introduce new generations to fine art. What a great outing for a Father’s Day celebration!”

Each of these Estate-Authorized limited editions has been adapted and reproduced from Theodor Seuss Geisel’s original drawings, paintings, or sculptures. Additionally, each work bears a posthumously printed or engraved Dr. Seuss signature, identifying the work as an authorized limited edition commissioned by the Dr. Seuss Estate.



Cats in the Cradle Doing Cats in the Cradle, Authorized Estate Edition



Theodor Seuss Geisel (1904 - 1991)

The new collection of art featured in “The Cat Behind the Hat!” exhibit will include serigraphs, mixed media, and fine art on paper and canvas, as well as bronze sculptures, all highlighting the famous feline with names every bit as interesting as the colorful and clever cat himself, such as “The Great Cat Continuum,” “Venetian Cat Signing Oh Solo Meow,” and “Singing Cats.”

Guests will have the opportunity to enjoy presentations by *Art of Dr. Seuss* collection representative, Jeff Schuffman, at gallery receptions taking place from 7:00 PM until 10:00 PM on Friday, June 14 and Saturday, June 15, and from 1:00 PM until 4:00 PM on Sunday,

June 16, 2019. “The Cat Behind the Hat!” exhibit and receptions take place at [Ocean Galleries](http://OceanGalleries.com) (9618 Third Avenue, Stone Harbor, NJ/609.368.7777).

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). Ocean Galleries also has an Avalon, NJ location at 2199 Ocean Drive. For seasonal hours at both gallery locations, call 609-368-7777 or visit oceangalleries.com

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Established in 1986, Ocean Galleries is a distinguished fine art gallery and custom-framing retailer with locations in Avalon and Stone Harbor, New Jersey. We represent national and local artists, originals and fine art reproductions; with a mission of personally introducing our clientele to the fine artists and their coveted artwork. Ocean Galleries is considered one of the best custom framing operations in the industry for quality and design, with all framing done in-house. Ocean Galleries also offers a wide variety of hand-crafted items such as glass, jewelry, and furniture. Over the years, the gallery has become nationally known for hosting renowned artists such as Peter Max, Josef Kote, Autumn de Forest, Romero Britto, Charles Fazzino, Graham Nash, Ringo Starr, Hessam, Aldo Luongo, Jane Seymour, Don Hatfield, Howard Behrens, Jiang, Wyland, Viktor Shvaiko, Sam Park, and many others. As a regional and national dealer to individuals and corporate collectors, Ocean Galleries promotes artists with extraordinary abilities and established value, while practicing the highest standards of credibility and integrity in a comfortable and unpretentious atmosphere. For more information and store hours, visit OceanGalleries.com