

**Artist Steve Alpert Opens His Home Studio  
to Benefit the Quogue Wildlife Refuge**

“Desire”

Open House Art Exhibition

29 Old Main Road

Quogue, NY 11959

Saturday, August 22, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. (Rain Date Sunday, August 23)



*Desire*

Desire for the beauty of nature. Desire for a better world through philanthropy, these tenets are the foundation of all the work of nationally renowned painter Steve Alpert from his contemporary military paintings to his abstract landscapes that rejoice in the wonder of nature.

Just before 9/11, Alpert turned away from a 30 year career as a TV producer/director in New York to turn to his lifelong passion for painting with a particular focus of extolling the virtues of those who serve in the U.S. Armed Forces. A series of seven large paintings, titled, “Full Honors” based on his photographs of a full honors funeral ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery, have been on exhibition at the Pentagon for the last two years and slated to be there indefinitely. In November 2003, following the crash of two Black Hawk helicopters over Northern Iraq, Alpert initiated a series of paintings to honor the seventeen soldiers lost in that terrible incident. Proceeds from these works and others in his contemporary military oeuvre support veterans and their families. As an adjunct professor at Fordham University, Alpert teaches an art workshop for veterans as part of the Fordham Veteran’s Initiative.



*Duck*

As the Covid pandemic has upended our world, Alpert continues his work honoring men and women who serve in the U.S. Armed Forces – [www.proudlysheserved.com](http://www.proudlysheserved.com) – and has turned his attention to where he began -- nature. Twenty-one years ago, Steve and his wife Dorothy came to Quogue where they live on the east shore of Quantuck Creek. “We are a short walk to the Quogue Wildlife Refuge and have enjoyed it’s unique all-year round splendor ever since,” noting that during this period the refuge has been as much a sanctuary for people as the animals it protects. “Recognizing that this summer season is going to be difficult for many non-profits organizations that depend on special fundraising events to help meet their operating costs, and that a number of local art shows have been cancelled, it seemed a perfect fit to have an open house art exhibition at our home and commit to 20% of all sales to go to the Quogue Wildlife Refuge,” Alpert said.

On view will be oil paintings such as *Desire* which was inspired by a trip to the Amazon region in Peru, and recalls Claude Monet’s *Water Lilies* cycle that Paris’s l’Orangerie museum was built specifically to accommodate. Also on display will be more recent paintings such as *Duck*, *Summer Sun*, and *At Rest* that capture the magnificence and uniqueness of the East End’s landscapes. The exhibition will be outdoors and Covid protocols will be observed.

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