

Georgia O'Keeffe Museum

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Attention art lovers and crime buffs!

Santa Fe, NM - Just how does someone sneak into a high-security museum, take a famous painting off the wall and ferry it away into the night? And then what? Isn't it kind of tricky to sell something like that on the black market? Art lovers and crime buffs alike will find something interesting in THE MYSTERY OF ART THEFT by Judah Best, a member of the Board of the Georgia O'Keeffe Museum, and a lawyer who has represented a number of high profile clients in criminal proceedings in Washington, D.C. and elsewhere. Best will discuss famous art theft cases from museums, castles, and just plain homes, how stolen works are eventually identified, and answer your questions on how to protect your art. The program has been presented at the Smithsonian, at Laguna College of Art & Design (Laguna Beach, California), in Boston for the American College of Trial Lawyers, the site of the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum theft, and in Bilbao, Spain, site of the Guggenheim Museum. It's like Art History 101 meets "Law & Order" on a Monday night.

DETAILS:

- Monday, January 23, 6 PM
- THE MYSTERY OF ART THEFT
- CO-PRESENTED WITH THE NEW MEXICO LAWYERS FOR THE ARTS
- COST: General Admission \$5; Members and Business Partners FREE.
- LOCATION: Museum Education Annex, 123 Grant Avenue.
- RESERVATIONS: 505.946.1039 or online at okmuseum.org.

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MEDIA IS INVITED TO THIS EVENT FOR A PHOTO OPPORTUNITY AND INTERVIEWS.

Georgia O'Keeffe Museum:

The Georgia O'Keeffe Museum is dedicated to perpetuating the artistic legacy of Georgia O'Keeffe (1887-1986) and to the study and interpretation of American Modernism (late nineteenth century-present). Located in Santa Fe, NM, the Museum's collections, exhibits, research center, publications and education programs contribute to scholarly discourse and serve diverse audiences. The largest single repository of the artist's work in the world, the Museum's collection includes a wide range of O'Keeffe paintings, drawings and sculptures. It is the only museum in the world dedicated to an internationally known American woman artist and is the most visited art museum in New Mexico.

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