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Back to Arizona

In a long-awaited solo show at Legacy Gallery, Martin Grelle returns to Arizona in November to debut his new work.



Martin Grelle,
Guardians in the Willows,
oil, 40 x 50"
Estimate:
\$125/175,000.
Courtesy
Scottsdale
Art Auction.

The last time Martin Grelle had a solo exhibition, it was April 2014 in Scottsdale, Arizona. Since then, Grelle has remained a prominent fixture at museums, galleries, exhibitions, auctions and other events from coast to coast. But a solo exhibition has proven elusive for the Texas artist.

Grelle aims to fix that in November when he unveils a full collection of new work at Legacy Gallery in Scottsdale, Arizona. Legacy, which hosted a similarly long-awaited solo exhibition for John Coleman in November 2016, is expecting to

have as many as 20 new works from Grelle, which would be a remarkable number of pieces from the artist, particularly when collectors have been accustomed to seeing only three or four new pieces at any given time or place.

"This will be a significant event," says Brad Richardson, owner of Legacy. "By the time the show happens, it will be almost four years since Martin's last solo one-man show. It will be a great return for him in Scottsdale." Richardson adds that an exact date has not been announced yet, but says the show will be in November.

Grelle, who lives in Clifton,

Texas, and whose works are some of the most sought-after pieces by living Western artists, says he's excited about the opportunity for the Legacy show. "Brad and Jinger [Richardson] are great people, and I was thrilled when Brad came to see me at my studio several months ago to discuss his idea for having the show," Grelle says. "I've done a lot of one-man shows during my career, including 26 annual shows in Scottsdale—and now that it's been a few years since I've done one, I find that I have missed the excitement and focus of putting together large groups of

work. I have already begun work on the show, and am planning on pushing myself to produce the best group of paintings I am capable of."

In addition to the Grelle show in November, Legacy will also have solo shows for Kyle Polzin in January, Dean Mitchell in February and George Hallmark in March. Additionally, the *Scottsdale Art Auction*, which is co-owned by Richardson, will have an older Grelle work, *Guardians in the Willows*, available at the April 8 sale. It's estimated to fetch between \$125,000 and \$175,000. 