Highlights of 1st Friday Gallery Tour

Sedona's finest art galleries invite you to enjoy an evening of artist receptions special guests and celebrations at their monthly 1st Friday Gallery Tour on Feb. 5, 5-8 p.m.

"Art of Gold" events offer \$1,000 gift certificates to SGA gallery customers. Through Feb. 7, every customer who makes a purchase of \$500 or more, in any individual member gallery, will be given a ticket for each \$500 increment, for a drawing for a \$1000 gift certificate, redeemable at any single SGA gallery within thirty days.

All guests are welcome to attend the 1st Friday Artwalk free of charge and enjoy the complimentary Sedona Trolley, which does continuous loops to all locations. February's highlights include:

Andrea Smith Gallery welcomes World Peace Artist, Andrea Smith. She will be at her gallery at Tlaquepaque to unveil a Limited Edition collection of Denim jackets with her artwork on the back. Each jacket is made of high quality denim, each one will be signed and numbered by the artist. This is a great opportunity to wear art in a casual setting.

El Prado Gallery by the Creek displays the raw side of art at the "Art in the Raw" show. From raw pigments and models in the raw, to nature without any dressing and paintings undressed (unframed); all things beautiful will be exposed.

Goldenstein Gallery in uptown Sedona kicks off "Art in the Raw" featuring art that is organic yet sophisticated. Celebrating how we use our bodies to convey our very essence, artists Carolyn Ensley, Robert Jamason, LauRha Frankfort, Alba Elena, and Pash Galbavy are featured in this compelling show. In spirit with Sedona Marathon, Massage Therapist Marc Beringer will be on site with massage chair. Wine tasting and live music.

Kinion Fine Art and the Sedona Art Vault will be playing in the new Theater, Martin Grav's beautiful film "Sacred Earth" in addition to celebrating a Marathon of Sedona's best local artists who's every piece is an extension of their connection to Sedona elements: Earth- Water-Air- Fire. A portion of February sales benefit "Verde Valley Sanctuary" thanking them for all they do for area families.



Alba Elena's work will be featured at Goldenstein Gallery.

Lanning celebrates "Found Object Art." From fallen wood found in nature to ancient farm equipment found in fields to intricate workings of long-gone electronics four of the gallery's artists create singular spell-binding art as fascinating to study as to simply enjoy.

Lark Art invites you to join in celebrating Valentine's Day with the exhibit "It's About Love ... Art From The Heart." From one-of-a kind collaged Valentine cards to heartful art perfect for your special someone ... we'll help you make sure Feb. 14 is a memorable day for you and yours. . . Please join us as we toast Cupid and his favorite day.

Gallery of Modern Masters and Joey's Bistro of Los Abrigados are hosting a reception to honor international art designer Harold Lustig whose latest project has been to perfect a line of optically pure, dichroic coated glass. His contemporary designs are widely acclaimed by the finest glass galleries in the United States and abroad. Joey's Bistro will give away 20 percent off coupons with a drawing for a 3 night get-away at Premiere Vacation Club Sea of Cortez in San Carlos, Mexico.

James Ratliff Gallery features new artwork of Judy Choate who describes her work as "....capturing the restless movement of earth's skies along with the serenity and the power of timeless land formations by weaving shapes with brilliant colors and energetic brush strokes." Judy Choate's work continuously evolves as does the land and sky she vividly describes through her paintings.

Sedona Art Center's Fine Art Gallery presents: Art in Motion. Be enchanted by exquisite works of four artists who capture the magic of motion through their art: Oil paintings by Sedona's artistic icon, Joella Jean Mahoney, hand-blown glass pieces by George Averbeck, works in mixed-media by Justine Mantor-Waldie, and oil paintings by Miro FitzGerald.

Turquoise Tortoise offers "Bolos, Belts & Buckles" showcasing wearable art for men by Native American and Southwest artists. Crafted with the highest quality stones and sterling silver this is jewelry with a masculine edge - and there's always plenty for the ladies too.

For information on the Sedona Gallery Association, please call El Prado Gallery at (928) 204-1765 or visit www.SedonaGalleryAssociation.com to find a complete listing of galleries and a printable map to all locations.