

## Artist Stephen St. Claire Is Transforming How We Experience Oil Paintings | RAD - Asheville, NC

St. Claire's enigmatic process and brilliant use of light is challenging our senses and transforming our interpretations of what defines an oil painting.

ASHEVILLE, NC, USA, August 1, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Grounded with a sense of perspective attuned to the unique properties of reflective light, Stephen St. Claire is lighting up imaginations and transforming how we view and experience oil paintings. With his customized approach (commissions are a large part of his work) and his enigmatic and engaging process. Stephen is giving everyday landscapes, seascapes and cityscapes a new artistic identity that not only encourages the viewer to take a second look but also leaves the viewer to ponder the realms of what is possible with art.

Using a combination of modeling compound, metallic leaf, oil paint and thick solar-resistant resin, St. Claire adds deep, colorful layers of detail that bring out light intermittently; creating dimensional paintings that change in appearance depending upon where the viewer is standing in relation to the light source. Each painting is essentially



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backlit, creating very intense, luminous colors where light plays off some areas and casts shadows beneath others. He invites visitors, art lovers, and explorers of all kinds to come enjoy his work at his gallery/ studio in beautiful Asheville, NC.

St. Claire Art is an open studio/gallery in the River Arts District (RAD) and is located in the Pink Dog Creative at 344 Depot Street #104 (the orange section) in Asheville, NC. Gallery hours are 10:00 -5:00 six days / week (closed Sundav)

Or see his work in person at the new City Center lobby in downtown Asheville.

To see Stephen's blog or to learn more about his work and process please visit <u>www.stclaireart.com</u>. To discuss commissioned art pieces or press inquiries please email stclaireart@gmail.com or call 828-505-3329.

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