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**WAYNE ART CENTER CELEBRATES THE MYSTERY OF BEAUTY
THROUGH RECENT PAINTINGS BY PAUL DUSOLD**

WAYNE, PA – September 1, 2022 – Wayne Art Center will present an exhibition of recent paintings by artist Paul DuSold opening with a gallery reception from 3-5pm on October 16. This exhibit will remain on view through November 12, 2022.

Set in the grandeur of the art center's Davenport Gallery, *Endymion's Dream – The Mystery of Beauty* will include more than fifteen life-size paintings created by DuSold as an expression of an artist's relationship to the inspiration of beauty. The theme of this work is connected to the mythological figure of Endymion [pronounced: en-DIM-ee-uhn], a shepherd, and his love for Diana, the goddess of the moon. About this series DuSold shares "It is the theme of our human need to transcend separateness through artistic expression of love and the eternal mystery of beauty."

The human figure plays a vital role in the work found in this exhibition. The artist states that he develops each painting starting with the visual relationship of the figure in its pose with respect to the placement of other figures and within the overall composition of the painting paired with a painter's respect for light, color, shape and value. DuSold's appreciation for the history of the nude figure in Western Art is undeniable. About these works, he considers the figure to be a metaphor within the paintings whereas the female figure represents the majesty of natural beauty and the male figure represents the artist's creative experience and the search for expression through art. An interview with the artist that touches on the challenges of developing figures within the landscape, the progression of this series and the metaphor within these works can be found online with Main Line Television and on the art center's website. Visit: [Endymion's Dream The Mystery of Beauty by Paul DuSold , Philadelphia Artist on Vimeo.](#)

Paul DuSold is a graduate of the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts. He is a representational, figurative painter whose subjects include still-life, portrait, figures and landscape. He teaches painting and drawing at the Woodmere Art Museum and the Fleisher Art Memorial. An artist's gallery talk at Wayne Art Center is scheduled for Saturday, October 22nd at 11am in the Davenport Gallery. Registration is required. For information about enrolling, visit wayneart.org or call the art center. There is a \$5 registration fee for this event. Registered WAC members attend free of charge.

The art center is pleased to feature its annual *Fall Members Juried Exhibition* in the Ethel Sergeant Clark Smith Gallery, as well as *Seasons of Light and Verse – Photography and Poetry – An Exhibition by Paul F. Page and d.c. page* in the Vidinghoff Lobby Gallery while DuSold's works are on view in the Davenport Gallery. Wayne Art Center invites the community to stop in Monday – Friday, 9am-5pm, and Saturday 9am-4pm to view these unique and impressive exhibitions. Entry to WAC's galleries is free and open to the public though a \$5 donation is suggested. Artwork is available for purchase. For more information about exhibitions, classes and workshops, please visit wayneart.org.

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Wayne Art Center is a non-profit organization dedicated to enriching the community through the arts. Since its founding in 1931, Wayne Art Center has established itself as a vital cultural resource, welcoming artists from all over the world who share their passion and commitment to the visual arts. With a wide range of youth and adult classes and workshops, artist demonstrations and lectures, local, national and international exhibitions, and special events, Wayne Art Center remains steadfast in its mission to afford artists and the broader community an interdisciplinary venue to explore, share and learn, while fostering a sense of community for arts education and appreciation.

Wayne Art Center is located at 413 Maplewood Avenue in Wayne, Pennsylvania. For more information, call 610-688-3553 or visit the website at www.wayneart.org Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 9am - 5pm and Fridays and Saturdays, 9am – 4pm.

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