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MIRROR OF HUMANITY
Reflections on a Blending of Memories
Landscape Paintings by Didier Nolet

VILLA PARK, Illinois – October 26, 2016 – ***Mirror of Humanity: Reflections on a Blending of Memories***, paintings and pastels of Didier Nolet, will be on display at the Park Art Center, 9 East Park Blvd., Villa Park, IL from November 11th through January 7th, 2017 with the **Opening Reception on Friday, November 11th from 6 – 8pm**. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 11:00 to 5:00. All events are free and open to the public.

Didier Nolet, a renowned Chicago artist educated at the prestigious Ecole Nationale Superieure Des Beaux-Arts in Paris, has received many honors and accolades and has exhibited his work in one man shows in many area institutions including the Merchandise Mart, Navy Pier in Chicago, the University Club of Chicago, and the Union League Club of Chicago. In addition, his work has been included in group shows all over the country, specifically at the New Material Art Fair in Miami Beach, Florida, the Hudson River Museum in Yonkers, New York, and The Armory in New York, as well as the Museum of Fine Arts in Pau, France, among many, many others.

Originally inspired by childhood memories, Nolet's paintings became more a transcription of his inner personal feelings, state of mind, and moods. The landscapes can go from serene to stormy, depending on what was happening in his life at the time: *"My landscapes are dreamlike and put together like stage sets... They are images straight out of my mind; imaginary landscapes and seascapes that transcribe the different states of my life and personality"* – Didier Nolet.

More recently, Nolet has started a new series of paintings using different techniques which reflect an evolution toward a looser and more energetic way of applying paint, well as using objects such as skulls, and creating and painting canvases in different shapes.

"We are so honored to have the opportunity to exhibit Didier Nolet's work. His thoughts and dreams of landscapes are brilliantly executed and succeed in drawing the viewer intimately into his art. We get to enjoy a marvelous journey into his careful thought process. He applies a modern sensibility to the time honored landscape tradition". - Wendee Goles, Exhibition Coordinator.

About Park Art Center

The Park Art Center is a 501(c) 3 non-profit devoted to fostering the appreciation and expression of the arts among diverse audiences. We are a community-based organization dedicated to providing access to the arts for people of all ages and backgrounds through art education, exhibition, and collaborative projects.

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