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THE PRINTS

These fine art archival prints of Maine artist Chris Polson's oil paintings grace the walls of Harrison Ridge, a 55 plus smart growth affordable housing project by Developer's Collaborative out of Portland, ME. The images are of the Maine woods, streams, lakes, mountains, forests and fields, reflecting the building's natural surroundings and broad views. The project was conceived as a means to bring fine art to the residents, fine art that in its original form was not in the project budget. Undeterred and with the artist's blessing, these exquisite reproductions made the installation possible.

THE ARTIST

"In embracing the expressive landscape, Polson has invented his own painterly visual shorthand that mediates between emotion and nature. [E]xpressionism relies on the arbitrary use of color and distorted or multiple perspectives as expressive tools. Since emotions are highly personal, artists continually adapt these tools to a deeply individual, almost solipsistic, purpose, which is to transcribe their "felt" response to nature to canvas... [T]he most important precedent for Polson is Marsden Hartley. Calling himself "the painter of Maine," Hartley painted what would become one of the archetypal modernist approaches to the expressive landscape in the same territory that Polson has revisited yet again. [Polson succeeds] through the use of complex compositions that use multiple perspectives compressed into a poetic space that defies traditional representation... [His] lyrical paintings [are] a celebration of nature through the lens of emotion. That is what the expressive landscape is all about. Enjoy the journey." *

RECOGNITIONS

These fine art reproductions of the original oil paintings were exquisitely crafted by master printers Hunter Editions, Kennebunk, ME. This first edition of three is framed in beautiful black ash by Greenhut, Portland, ME. Transportation for the project was provided by Eastern Art Services, Scarborough, ME. Aperto is so appreciative of this team and sends them many thanks.

* David Houston is the Executive Director of the Ohr O'Keefe Museum of Art in Biloxi, MS with a long and storied career as a curator, art historian, professor and author. The Ohr O'Keefe Museum of Art website, https://georgeohr.org/new-executive-director-selected-for-ohr-okeefe-museum-of-art/, retrieved October 6, 2023.

















































Bog Edge at Noon 2005, Reproduction Print on Archival Paper, 48 x 48 inches



The Travelers All Decked Out 2017, Reproduction Print on Archival Paper, 24 x 24 inches



Biomass 2019, Reproduction Print on Archival Paper, 24 x 24 inches



Center Ridge Trail Birch 2006, Reproduction Print on Archival Paper, 40 x 48 inches



Clarry Hill Sparkle 2023, Reproduction Print on Archival Paper, 24 x 24 inches



Rocky Morning 2017, Reproduction Print on Archival Paper, 24 x 24 inches



From the Stump 2008, Reproduction Print on Archival Paper, 48 x 40 inches



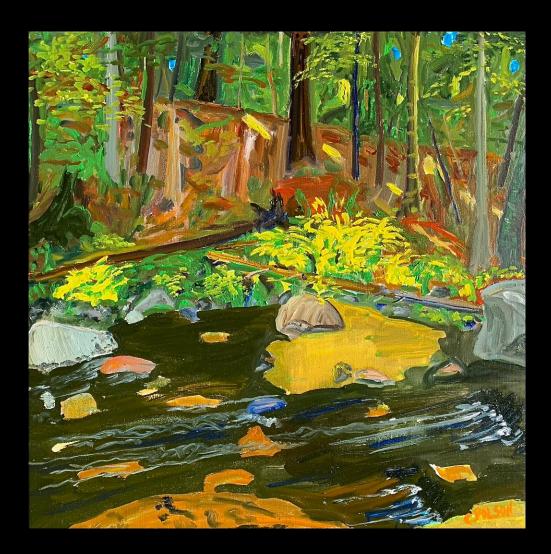
It Begins - Telos 2022, Reproduction Print on Archival Paper, 24 x 24 inches



Fresh Grass 2022, Reproduction Print on Archival Paper, 24 x 24 inches



Ducktrap Gorge #2 2023, Reproduction Print on Archival Paper, 24 x 24 inches



Ducktrap Colors 2023, Reproduction Print on Archival Paper, 24 x 24 inches





Above (detail) Chris Polson, Rocky Morning

Front Cover (detail) Chris Polson, Fresh Grass

Back Cover (detail) Chris Polson, The Travelers All Decked Out

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