



OCEAN HOUSE UNVEILS NEW INTERACTIVE ART TOUR EXPERIENCE

*Rhode Island's Only Five-Diamond Hotel Offers
Guided Audio Tour to Highlight Extensive Art Exhibition*

WATCH HILL, R.I. – Globally recognized for its commitment to public arts, the iconic Five-Diamond, Forbes Five-Star Ocean House in Watch Hill, Rhode Island has launched a new audio tour dedicated to its permanent art collection.

Art plays a noteworthy role in the Ocean House experience, and the new private audio tour is one of the many immersive programs available on-site which include the Artist-in-Residence program, lecture series, workshops, private art classes, gallery tours and more.

The 35-minute audio tour will highlight 14 acclaimed pieces amongst the collection of more than 250 works from the 19th and 20th century. Boasting a portfolio of over 20 acclaimed artists, this exclusive audio tour is yet another hallmark of experiences available at the iconic Relais & Châteaux property. The series includes comments from owner-cum-art-aficionado Deborah Royce, who will provide fascinating insights to her favorite pieces within the collection.

While Ocean House's competitive collection continues to grow, highlights include:

- The largest private North American collection of Ludwig Bemelmans (renown for his Madeline book series), including *Goodbye to the Ritz* series, *Madeline* and the *La Columbe* murals
- Artwork from James Montgomery Flagg, known for his *Uncle Sam Wants You* piece
- A series of caricatures satirizing the *beau monde* from George Goursat (SEM)
- Lanazin French portraits from 1883, featuring artist, writers and statesmen of the period
- An extensive selection of water colorists, caricatures and more

“Ocean House’s art collection holds an impressive array of work that we’re pleased to share with our discerning guests,” said Daniel Hostettler, President and Group Managing Director of Ocean House Management Collection. “Our compelling exhibitions are both an educational and cultural bonus that underscore our evolving offerings.”

This news follows the announcement of Stephen Lash, chairman emeritus of Christie’s America, who will be further expanding the property’s competitive art programming.

Produced by Sandpail Productions, the audio tour is complimentary. For further details on the collection and art programming at the hotel, visit www.oceanhouseri.com/experiences/art-adventures.

About Ocean House

The Ocean House, one of New England’s grand hotels, re-opened its doors in June 2010 after a \$140 million rebuild and restoration. Originally built just after the Civil War, is perched high on the bluffs in Watch Hill, Rhode Island. Guests enjoy views of the Atlantic Ocean, Montauk and Block Island from the resort’s 49

guestrooms and 18 signature suites. Farm-to-table casual and fine dining, the 12,000-square-foot OH! Spa and more than 10,000 square feet of event space make the Ocean House ideal for mid-week business retreats, close-to-home family vacations, weekend luxury escapes and destination weddings. Ocean House is a member of Relais & Châteaux, an exclusive collection of more than 500 of the finest hotels and gourmet restaurants in 60 countries that has set the standard for excellence in hospitality. This stately property is the only AAA Five-Diamond and Forbes Five-Star rated resort in Rhode Island, for accommodations, dining and the award-winning spa.

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