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Portrait of Lillian Orlowsky



Lillian Orlowsky, Still Life By the Sea, circa 1940's PAAM Collection

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The Lillian Orlowsky and William Freed Foundation Grant

NEW GRANT ESTABLISHED FOR MATURE AMERICAN PAINTERS

Provincetown, MA: Provincetown Art Association and Museum ([PAAM](http://www.paam.org)) is proud to announce [The Lillian Orlowsky and William Freed Foundation Grant](#), a new source of funding for mature American painters. This marks the first year that these grants are made available to the public.

The late Lillian Orlowsky and William Freed were artists, teachers, and active members of PAAM and the Provincetown arts community for over 50 years. Lillian, in particular, was sensitive to the challenges that artists confront,



Portrait of Lillian
Orlowsky and William
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especially artists working against the mainstream or outside of popular schools of art. Her desire to provide financial support to mature artists through this generous endowment gift speaks to her passionate commitment to art for art's sake and art created regardless of the demands and whims of the market place. **This gift has positioned PAAM to, for the first time, be a grantee - an opportunity to financially assist artists on a national level.**

"PAAM is thrilled to be a position that allows us to distribute this kind of funding to painters in need. It's hard to be an artist; the rising cost of living and the effects of the recession have hit the creative community in a major way. To be able to offset some of those expenses is truly a dream come true," says PAAM's Executive Director, Chris McCarthy. "Additionally, we are very grateful to the Foundation executors for providing PAAM with an unprecedented opportunity."

Grants will be offered to American painters aged 45 or older who demonstrate financial need. The primary emphasis is to **promote public awareness and a commitment to American art, as well as encouraging interest in artists who lack adequate recognition.** Grants will range from \$5,000 to \$10,000. Applications are available online at www.paam.org or by calling 508.487.1750. Completed applications must be postmarked by August 16, 2010.

Provincetown Art Association and Museum's (PAAM) Lillian Orlowsky / William Freed Museum School (LOWF) serves students of all experience levels, offering year-round programming including workshops, art history lectures, scholarships, and free classes for adults and children, led by professional teaching artists. To register for a class go to www.paam.org or call 508.487.1750.

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Provincetown Art Association and Museum (PAAM) was established in 1914 by a group of artists and townspeople to build a permanent collection of works by artists of outer Cape Cod, and to exhibit art that would allow for unification within the community. Through a comprehensive schedule of exhibitions of local and national significance and educational outreach, PAAM provides the public access to art, artists, and the creative process. PAAM, located at 460 Commercial Street, is open Thursday-Sunday, noon-5, and by appointment. For more information, please call 508.487.1750 or visit www.paam.org.

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