

Fall Show of Original Vintage Wine and Travel Posters at The Vintage Poster Gallery of Westport

On Friday, October 1st and Saturday, October 2 from 4 to 8 p.m., The Vintage Poster Gallery of Westport, located at 571 Riverside Ave., will be showing an exclusive collection of original Wine and Travel posters from around the world.

The Vintage Poster Gallery will offer select pricing for the duration

of the show which includes works from renowned artists such as Cappiello, Cheret, and Constant Duval. The show's collection spans from 1890 through 1980 and encompasses many genres from Belle Époque, through Art Deco and beyond.

Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served and guests will receive a

gift with every purchase.

The Vintage Poster Gallery is owned and operated by the Ross Group, Inc. The Gallery is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, visit the Web site www.postergroup.com to find a portion of their collection in the Online gallery.

Galerie Sono Presents Master Colorist Jean Duquoc

Galerie Sono at 135 Washington Street in Historic South Norwalk will present a one-man show featuring more than 30 new paintings from internationally renowned artist Jean Duquoc. The public is invited to meet the artist at an opening reception on Saturday, Oct. 2 beginning at 6 p.m. Attendance is free. The exhibition will run through Oct. 15.

Duquoc celebrates the hardy people and majestic landscapes of his native Brittany in his electrifying paintings, crafted from the pure, extreme palette pioneered by the early twentieth century Fauve

artists. Inspired by Van Gogh and Gauguin, Duquoc works with simplified, lyrically abstracted forms and raw, unmixed color in acrylic and oil pastel.

Born in Nantes, France in 1937, Duquoc is a self-taught painter who has enjoyed tremendous professional success throughout Europe and the U.S. over the past 25 years. In 1972 at the age of 35, Duquoc began to experiment with painting. "I developed the need to paint to tell the story of Brittany," recalls Duquoc. "Painting tells a story – of the present time, of landscapes, of people. It can only

emerge when moved by a feeling of love or nourished by memory."

Duquoc's paintings have been featured in sell-out shows in England, France, Germany, Italy, Switzerland and the United States. His works are in more than 5,000 private collections worldwide including King Albert II of Belgium.

In describing his gallery's upcoming exhibition of Duquoc's paintings and pastels, owner Claude Villani remarks, "Jean is a master colorist. His powerful landscapes and seascapes radiate light and raw color."

Celebrating its fourth year of business, Galerie Sono recently moved to a new location at 135 Washington Street across from the Maritime Aquarium in South



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One of the many vintage wine posters to be exhibited at The Vintage Poster Gallery in Westport.