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## MICHAEL MALM: BACKLIT JULY 1 - 31, 2016

Trailside Galleries is pleased to present a showcase of new works by Michael Malm. The show will be on exhibit at the gallery from July 1 through July 31.

The newest paintings for this showcase incorporate the qualities most essential to this Utah painter's widely collected work: the simplicity and timelessness of figures in a natural setting, the tenderness and warmth evoked by children and familial relationships, and the incandescent effects of light. Malm notes "A really important part of my work is capturing light—the effect that sunlight can have on figures and water—how beautiful and dazzling it is. And I love images to feel like they're not posed."

The wide-open views of farmland in northern Utah's picturesque Cache Valley are just steps away from Malm's studio. With its pastures, wooded areas, streams, and ponds, the valley provides both inspiration and physical backdrops for much of the artist's work.

Much of what Malm hopes to convey with his art reflects the universal human values of family, simplicity, kindness, and hard work that surrounded him as a child and that he continues to see expressed in such simple things. "I'm striving to capture beauty because it is out there, all around us. What I hope to do for myself and the viewer is capture that sense of peace."

*Since 1963, Trailside Galleries of Jackson, Wyoming and Scottsdale, Arizona has been regarded as one of the pre-eminent dealers in American representational art, specializing in a rich and varied collection of works by the leading western, wildlife, figurative, impressionist, and landscape artists in the country. The artist roster includes members of the Cowboy Artists of America, National Academy of Design, Oil Painters of America, Plein-Air Painters of America, Prix De West, Society of Animal Artists, National Sculpture Society and Masters of the American West.*

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