



George Phippen was a painter and sculptor of scenes from the American West who lived in Prescott, Arizona, and was a co-founder and first president of the Cowboy Artists of America. Unfortunately, George passed away in 1966 in his first term at 50 years of age; but his inspirational spirit and deep passion for Western art was vibrant and strong and today lives on at the ranch-style institution that bears his name.

George's family and friends (along with a dedicated group of artists) had a dream of building a museum of western art in his honor that would preserve and promote great western art. And in 1974 they established the George Phippen Memorial Foundation. That year, the first Phippen Memorial Day Art Show and Sale was held in historic downtown Prescott to raise money for the fledgling foundation. And after 10 years of hard work and perseverance, the Phippen Museum was able to open its doors to the public in October of 1984.

Today, the Museum is well known for its continuous presentations of enlightening exhibitions, educational programs, and entertaining events that feature outstanding Art of the American West and our rich ranching and cowboy history. And the Museum still presents their annual Western Art Show and Sale on the Yavapai County Courthouse Plaza, presenting the outstanding talent of western artists from all across the nation, a Miniature Masterpiece Show and Sale, Quick Draw challenges, live Art Auctions, an Artist Meet 'n' Greet Dinner, and more.

So saddle up for a unique and fascinating adventure into the American West with the Phippen Museum, located minutes north of downtown Prescott at 4701 Highway 89 N. For more information, please contact the Phippen at (928)778-1385 or visit their website at phippenartmuseum.org.