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OUR SAVIOR CHURCH AND USC CARUSO CATHOLIC CENTER COMMISSIONS PETER ADAMS TO CREATE ARTWORK FOR ITS NEW COMPLEX AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

<u>The Nationally-Renowned Plein Air Painter will Develop a Series of Paintings</u> <u>to Represent the Traditional Fourteen Stations of the Cross</u>



LOS ANGELES (December 3, 2009) – American artist Peter Adams, the nationally renowned *plein air* landscape painter, has been commissioned to create a series of paintings for the new 20,000-square-foot Catholic Church and Student Center at the University of Southern California, which scheduled to break ground in 2010.

Adams was selected by the Center's Liturgical Arts Committee to paint the traditional fourteen Stations of the Cross, which depict the events surrounding the crucifixion of Jesus. The paintings will be installed around the perimeter of the nave, the central open space of the church.

For this commission, Adams intends to harness his experience as a *plein air* painter to emphasize the passage of time with shifts in light and shadow, as the fourteen Stations

represent events that occurred from early morning until late afternoon during a single day.

"Most of the renderings I have viewed of the fourteen Stations do not emphasize the many hours that it took Jesus to walk the Via Dolorosa to his crucifixion, and without understanding the duration of his travels, it is difficult to fully appreciate the pain he suffered," Adams said.

Adams is represented by American Legacy Fine Arts, an art gallery in Pasadena, Calif., that is dedicated to assisting collectors in the acquisition of contemporary-traditional fine art. For more information on Adams, visit the gallery's Web site at <u>www.americanlegacyfineart.com</u>.

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American Legacy Fine Arts (<u>www.americanlegacyfinearts.com</u>) was founded by art industry veteran Elaine Adams to assist collectors in their acquisitions of contemporary-traditional fine art by today's premier American artists. Built on the philosophy that artists should be encouraged to exercise artistic freedom, ALFA provides art lovers with the opportunity to expand their collections with exceptional works that have truly inspired the artists. ALFA is located in a tranquil neighborhood of Pasadena, Calif., near the world-famous Rose Bowl Stadium.