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**All Aboard!
Luncheon and Lecture by Gary Fillmore
At West Valley Art Museum April 14**

In conjunction with the exhibition of paintings by Marjorie Reed that opened March 27 at West Valley Art Museum, a luncheon and lecture on the artist who lived and worked in the first half of the 20th century will be given by Gary Fillmore, author of the first comprehensive biography of Reed's life. He will also sign copies of his book entitled "All Aboard". The event is being held to benefit the Museum.

Best known for her paintings of the Butterfield-Overland Stage Trail, prominent Western Artist Marjorie Reed (1915-1996) made her living solely as a free lance artist for over sixty-five years and as a result left behind a significant body of work. She also authored and published four books on the Butterfield Trail. Although her work is very respected and sought after, she was an extremely private individual and until Mr. Fillmore's book, there was little accurate biographical information available in print or on the internet.

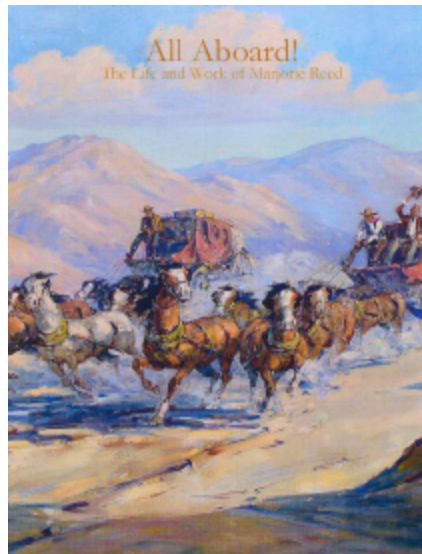
This event allows the public to view a large number of her paintings (more than 40) and to hear a fascinating and enthralling discussion of her life and work by an expert collector and dedicated follower of her work.

Book signing at April 14's luncheon will begin at 11 am. The lunch and lecture will begin at 12 pm. Cost for members of the Museum is \$35. For non-member, \$45. Tickets are available in the Museum Store or by calling 623-972-0635.

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"Mountain Solitude" oil by Marjorie Reed



Catalogue cover for
Marjorie Reed Exhibition

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