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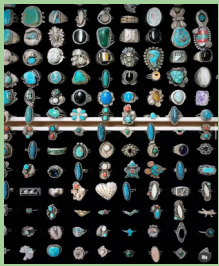
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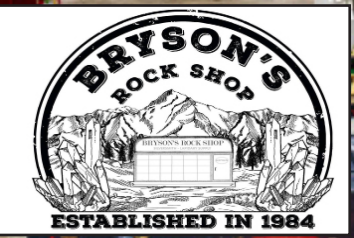
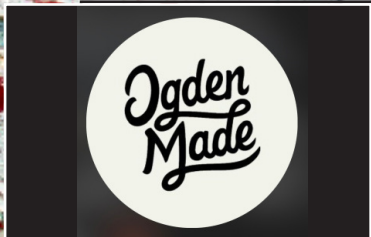
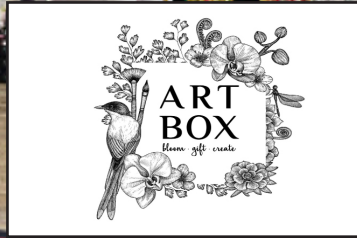
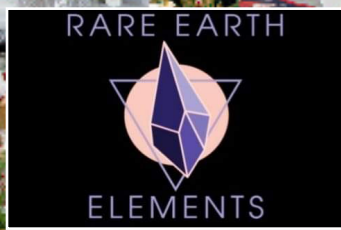
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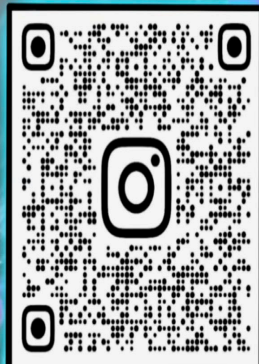
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## LETTER FROM SANTA : TO MY OGDEN FRIENDS!

Greetings from the North Pole. That's right, Santa is sending an email letter to you all via this incredible new thing called wifi all the way from the North Pole. It's sketchy sometimes but with this new special satellite we have hovering over us 24/7 we can handle the traffic. Now that is kinda sketechy too, but it seems to work fine. Mrs. Santa is teaching me all these things to send and receive messages and letters. Yes, in time you can text your Santa's list to me. Mrs.Santa and the elves are in charge of the Santa's workshop. It's a factory really as we are a busy crew these days. More than ever as there are more and more kids every year with bigger and trickier lists. They get get more complicated every year but rest assured, we are keeping up with the times and have brought in some technological minded elves to get the job done. I must admit, I miss the days when you kids were happy and satisfied with our home made toys made out of wood and cloth. We do get some of those out, however, so rest assured we have it all!

I sure look forward to the big day in over a month to visit your great town of Ogden. It is one of my favorite places in the world to visit for many reasons. It is always a fun challenge for me and my reindeer to fly over your beautiful and tall Wasatch mountains. We make sport of it as if we were in the Winter Olympics. Rudolph especially finds it fun as the red nose reflects off the snow on the mountain tops. But most of all, you folks make the best dang cookies and cakes for Santa. I am serious. You folks know how to bake unlike many modern cities that think Keebler chocolate chips or Oreos are what we want. Now that is an insult. Keebler elves? Come on, Santa has his own elves and they know how to bake old fashioned cookies and cakes. I love your pioneer muffins and cookies and the empanadas made with spicy meats. Oh YA! I spend extra time just to indulge in these wonderful treats. And you can be sure that I always give an extra gift to those homes that make that effort! But please, less snickerdoodles. They give poor old Santa a tummy ache. Your oatmeal, raisin and walnut are very good for an old man's system.

You think because you can hide behind technology and your fancy iPhones and such that Santa does not know who is naughty or nice? Think again. That just makes it easier for me to know what's going on with you. We know this stuff! Well, thanks to my millennials, GenZ & GenX elves. In Ogden, you are mostly nice kiddos though. I have hope though for the rambunctious ones of you and even though you may get a lump of coal this year, know that there is redemption with Santa and next year I will reward you. Less shenanigans please, okay? So be nice!

See you soon my kiddos!!! Keep the letters coming and we do prefer snail mail! Santa is still a bit old fashioned even in these modern times!

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## OGDEN CITY CHRISTMAS VILLAGE





# HISTORY OF OGDEN CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS

## OGDEN CITY – CHRISTMAS VILLAGE AND ELECTRIC LIGHT PARADE HISTORY

In 1961, I have a letter from the Chamber of Commerce (Chairman Len Allen at the time) thanking Ogden City for their assistance with the Christmas Holiday Parade.

As early as 1962, discussions were ongoing about the "Christmas Display in MISSILE Park". It was organized by the Retail Merchants Division of the Chamber of Commerce to develop a gigantic parade and display of animated units. The display was to be added to each year and was expected (even at that time) to receive international publicity. At that time, the retailers and industry people had raised approximately \$20,000 and the City and County had not contributed to this effort. However, discovery was made there was no power available to light the decorations in the park and operate the animated units. It required some 63,000 watts to handle the operation, including a central missile Christmas tree with three revolving colors which alone took 18,000 to 20,000 watts. In 1962, the buildings from the park were actually entries in the holiday parade; such was accomplished by them being mounted on trucks for the Christmas parade on the morning after Thanksgiving. They were then installed in the Missile Park and that evening there was to be a ceremony for the lighting of the display. There was to be a little radio station among the units from which broadcasts were made each day; it was hoped the City would achieve national publicity because it would be something new and outstanding.

In both 1972 and 1973, the Greater Ogden Chamber of Commerce was still in charge of the annual Christmas parade; they indicated it would travel from 21st to 27th Streets along Washington Boulevard at 10:00 a.m. on the Saturday prior to Thanksgiving. About 1972, requests from food vendors and a helium balloon vendor were made to set up booths along the parade route. These were subsequently denied.

In 1975, discussion took place between the Greater Ogden Chamber of Commerce and the Ogden City Council regarding the annual Christmas Parade and the possibility of moving it to after Thanksgiving. It was a highly debated topic, and the item was tabled. One week later, the Council approved the parade to be continued to be held the Saturday before Thanksgiving. Reasoning was given that if the annual Christmas parade were held on the Saturday after Thanksgiving, there would be no way members of local school bands could be required to appear in the parade because the majority would be out of town with their families. At

that time, the suggestion was made by James Thompson, Supervisor of Music Ogden City Schools, for the City to give consideration to changing the nature of the parade for future years and holding a holiday parade which would call attention not only to Christmas, but to Thanksgiving as well. Great debate took place, after which a committee was established to review this annual event. This committee was comprised of retail merchants, Greater Ogden Chamber of Commerce members, members of the City Council, and citizens.

In 1976, the parade still took place at 10:00 a.m. on the Saturday prior to Thanksgiving. As of 1980, the parade was conducted at 2 p.m. in the afternoon of the Saturday before Thanksgiving. The Ogden City Christmas Village Advisory Committee was created in 1983; their first meeting held on a Tuesday, September 27, 1983. Wynn Covio was the Chairman and Lisa Hult, Vice-Chair. The Committee at that time reported they were interested in upgrading the village and making the public more aware of it; however, timing to do so was an issue that first year. They recommended at that time that the lighting of Christmas Village be coordinated with a ceremony and program. They suggested having local community groups perform; including media coverage, and having the Mayor throw the switch to light the village. The Committee also recommended the traditional Christmas parade be held later in the afternoon so the lighting of the village could be coordinated with the parade.

That same year, it was decided that the Christmas Parade would begin at 3:00 p.m. and would run south on Washington Boulevard from 22nd Street to 25th Street and then west on 25th Street to Grant Avenue. With these changes in the parade's time and route, it was able to tie into the lighting of the park ceremonies. The parade ended on 25th Street with a ribbon cutting ceremony, bands and choirs, and was done in connection with the lights being turned on.

In 1986, the Greater Downtown Ogden Association sent notice to the City Council of cancellation of the Christmas Parade in effort to spend the budget funding to update Christmas Village. By 1987, there were 43 entries in the parade; it took place the day after Thanksgiving at 4:30 p.m. with the Christmas Village Opening Gala immediately following at approximately 5:30 p.m. A Christmas Design Plan was unveiled at that time from the Business Development Department through the Downtown Ogden Association. The Plan is detailed but included lighting the trees along Washington Boulevard between 22nd and 27th Streets and various phases to achieve a seasonal difference with banners and an overall package. This included the Christmas Parade to be tied in with the lighting of all the lights and Santa Claus coming to Christmas Village.

In 1988 and 1989, the parade was held on the Saturday after Thanksgiving at 5:00 p.m. It would appear that an annual theme for the event began around this time as well. Christmas Village had stagnated and there had not been a lot of improvements made for several years. In 2002, a new chairperson, Jo Packham, was appointed by Mayor Godfrey. Ms. Packham is

a local business owner and the past president of the Historic 25 Association. She was able to get numerous businesses involved in Christmas Village with both cash and in-kind donations. She also involved volunteer groups and organizations. The result has been the refurbishing of many of the old cottages and donation of many new cottages. The quality of the village improved tremendously. The Village has consistently added new cottages and new sponsors. Each year the Village is better than the previous.

In 2001, we now have 64 cottages.

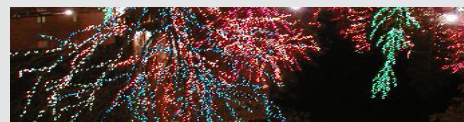
Christmas Village and Holiday Parade  
It was a crisp December day in 1961. Jerry and Maxine Green and their 5-year-old son, Tommy, were standing in the most perfect spot of all for the big Christmas parade. Warmed by their growing anticipation, they eagerly looked for the parade to come. Then suddenly it began with the screaming sirens of the police cars. A big flatbed truck rushed by with Santa Claus waving to the hundreds of children who came to see him. And that was it. That was the end of the Christmas Parade. Tommy's disappointment was overwhelming and Jerry Green knew something had to be done, but what? After many sleepless hours that cold winter night, Jerry Green came up with an idea. An incredible vision! It was that of a "Christmas Village" that would have all of the toy and candy shops you would find at Santa's North Pole home as well as a really big and wonderful Santa Claus Parade. Jerry Green knew the idea was good, but he was worried about how to make it happen. The original cost estimate for this venture was a whopping \$25,000. It was with great trepidation that he approached the town merchants. The response was immediate and enthusiastic. In a matter of weeks, the merchants were out seeking pledges for the village idea. Utah Power and Light pledged to donate the electricity for the lights. Merchants donated materials and it seemed that everyone in the city was pitching in with the construction of the village. On November 23, 1962 the very first Christmas Village and Parade opened Ogden's holiday season. Those involved with the first Christmas Village hoped that it would continue on through the generations, bringing joy to all those who come to visit.

This hope is alive and well today and carried on by a dedicated Christmas Village Committee. It is their goal to continue this wonderful tradition by expanding, improving and refurbishing the winter fantasyland displays.

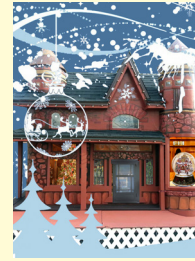
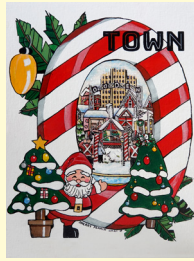
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Enjoy the holidays. See you there!

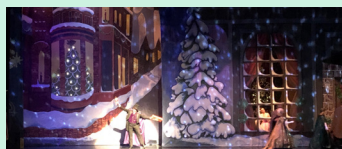
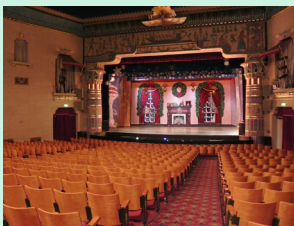
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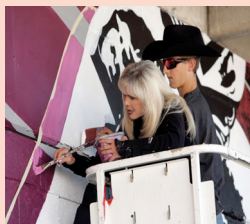
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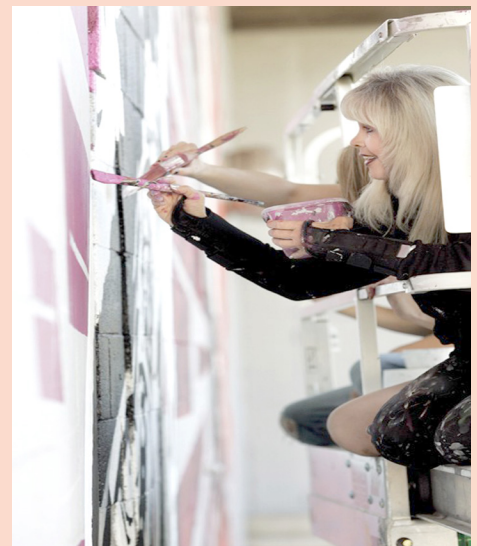
# ARTIST PROFILE & INTERVIEW

# SHERRY FERRIN



**ART PROFILE DECADES OF CHRISTMAS POSTERS DESIGNS, BALLET BACK DROPS, SANTAS VILLAGE BLDGS, OGDEN HORSES, MURALS ALL OVER OGDEN & FINE ART CANVASS**

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Artist extrodinaire, Sherry Ferrin has her fingerprints, and brush strokes all over Ogden, Utah, her hometown area for her entire life. Her ancestors helped dig the dirt and toil the soil for a struggling pioneer village in Ogden's beginnings to survive from Pleasant View to Riverdale and everything in between. And they did flourish and survive from that once quaint peaceful 1850s pioneer village, to a hustling bustling train junction city in just a few decades with a unique and vibrant growth and history. Her Ellis family were on the farm in the orchards. She is a product result of that effort and all of the progress since to the present day. She would describe herself as a simple gal who was raised on a family orchard of fifty acres in Riverdale City, her dad's orchard abutted up to her grandfather and Uncle's cherry orchards which now the I-15 freeway cut through. Yet even with those farm life beginnings she travels the world over and this country on a regular basis. She focuses on her canvass oil paintings now rather than public art such as murals all over the city, horses standing probably all over Ogden, she did five of them, and Christmas

Village buildings and props, as well as the poster art for Ogden city for nearly fifteen years. She still does the Christmas poster and you are seeing one on the cover of this Street Ogden produced **CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY GUIDE Ogden**. Now generations later, Sherry is digging the fertile soil in her own way in the community, as her great, great, great grandparents did but in a different way, culturally and in modern times as each decade presented itself, with a paint brush.

I have had the privilege of knowing Sherry Ferrin for decades through civic and community volunteer work in many areas. I watched her paint the giant outdoor themed mural on 23rd and Washington where Wolfe's Sporting Goods once stood on the giant concrete slab left from the parking terrace. Now sits a giant apartment complex on that spot but the spirit of that mural still exists. You will see the image in this article on the last page. I would watch as a petite, blonde, & tenacious lovely lady was floating high up above in a lift in a huge scaffolding as she and her son tackled the big wall. It sat tall for many years until the structure was demolished for new development. At

the time downtown Ogden was still mostly vacant and the mall lot which became the Junction was still a giant two block dirt field after the mall was demolished. But this art beautified downtown Ogden for our community in a time of blight as we strived to revive the downtown Ogden again. I would watch in awe as I had a business on the same block and our alley connected to this structure and Sherry's art. I would watch as she painted way up in the sky and I would be in awe and amazement of her determination and the result. It broke her heart when it was demolished. As it did mine. There was no way to save this giant artwork. But the memory lives on as it graced our community during a struggling time for years. That is an example out of many of her fingerprints and her brush stroke I speak about lovingly touching the rubble and making it into beauty.

Sherry and I met recently for a very long lunch at Stella's Italian Restaurant on Historic 25th Street for this interview. Formerly the decades long Star Noodle building. It turned into hours of laughing and chatting about everything under the sun over lasagne, mushroom soup,

salad and tiramisu. We did do the interview, however, but it really wrote itself. Sherry is a friend to me and to many, many in our community as she has been very active all of her life. Her family is her treasure most of all, husband Tres of 54 years and four children, (her son Seth passing 15 years ago) Josh, Devery, (and a still born baby) and ten grandchildren, five greats, all that keep her busy as she attends and supports all kinds of activities with them from traveling to performing arts, sports and constant family gatherings, in which she insists to do all of the cooking.

We decided to do a question and answer interview to get right to the points and focused answers rather than our long free flowing interaction which would end up as a book as there is so much to write about Sherry, her life and many interests. And most of all her accomplishments. Her work marks all those accomplishments. We are excited to present some of them here visually along with words from herself. She is one of the many, many unsung heroes in Ogden who plug along doing incredible things without much fanfare or boasting.







I think you will agree that she surely deserves the recognition for a lifetime achievement award and she is not done yet. More to come, I see from her, even though she says she has had enough of crawling on the floor painting backdrops and other large paintings and climbing walls for decades. She now focuses on her oil paintings art, mostly of nature both here in Ogden area and her annual retreat to Palm Springs where she sets up her easel and canvass and goes into her happy place. We are grateful for that with much gratitude of all she has produced, and anxious to see what comes next for many years from her creative talent.



**PREFERRED WAY OF BEING ADDRESSED:**

Sherry

**GREATEST ACHIEVEMENTS (other than family as I know that is number one):**

Painting the Mural on 23rd street & Washington Blvd, especially how difficult it was to lay out 48 4x8 wood panels, paint them and then put them up on the wooden wall and complete the entire wall in 2 months. Also doing all the backdrops for Imagine Ballet and seeing them hanging in the Egyptian Theater every year.



**ABOUT YOUR FAMILY PIONEER HERITAGE:**

I am proud of my ancestors who were Mormon Pioneers who came to Utah and endured all sorts of obstacles. They were strong people looking for a safe place to raise their families. I have dedicated a lot of my time in scanning in and preserving the photographs old and new of them.



**RIVERDALE? CHERRIES?**

I grew up in Riverdale on a 50 acre cherry farm. My



neighbors were my Uncle and my Grandparents. They were loving, hard working people. I learned to be accepting of all kinds of people. Growing up on the farm I was able to be outdoors and developed an appreciation for nature, which I think is one of the reasons I enjoy painting landscapes.

Growing up in a small town gave me many opportunities to help my neighbors and develop a sense of community. My first job, taking care of the house for the family during the summer, and working at the Deseret Gym as a cheerleading instructor. I went to Bonneville High School where I was a cheerleader & Homecoming Queen.

**ABOUT YOUR GROWING UP HERE? WSC DAYS:**

Believe it or not... Art was not a choice I could have to go to school...I could be a nurse, secretary or a teacher. I was on the dance team the Chatonelles, Cheerleading and finalist of Freshman of the Year. My freaking Boyfriend won (Tres). *Editors note: Tres is Sherry's husband as of fifty four years.* I graduated in 1971 in Elementary Education and minored in Physical Ed and Family life.

**BEAUTY QUEEN/PAGEANT DAYS?**

Well every girl in Riverdale dreamed of being Miss Riverdale. So it wasn't unusually for me to want to try and I was honored to be Miss Riverdale 1966. I loved to dance. That was my motivation and getting scholarships for College. I won attendant to Utah's Jr. Miss, Miss Ogden, and Attendant to Miss Weber State. I got to go to the Miss Utah Pageant twice, but at 5'1" I didn't stand a chance. I also was part of the Dairy Princesses, which was a big job going around to all the schools to talk about the importance

of "Milk in your diet." (I can't drink milk)

**OREGON?** We moved to the Portland Area after we graduated in 1971. I taught school and Tres worked at St. Vincent Hospital. It was such a beautiful place. Very Artsy and we had our first child there ..Seth. (after we were told we should look into adoptions because it was difficult keeping pregnant.) We eventually returned home to Ogden where we have lived for 48 years

**OGDEN?:** We lived in Shadow Valley and my children all went to Ogden City Schools. I taught school at Grandview Elementary where my children attended. I also gave numerous lectures on "Raising Kids" and "The Gifted & Talented" project. I also had my own preschool where I taught the neighborhood kids. I taught school for 16 years and had my own photography business for 6 years. I also designed and created 100's of journals and scrapbooks (which I drew in all of them) and gave lectures on Journaling and Scrapbooking.

**WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT OGDEN AND VICINITY?**

We lived at the base of the mountains and I loved walking out my front door and I was on a beautiful trail. I trained for a 1/2 Marathon and rode my bike along the Ogden River.

Tres and I loved the opportunities to participate in the community. Tres with the GOAL foundation and marathon, and I with the Arts Council, IBT, and Christmas Village.

**ABOUT YOUR FAMILY. MARRIAGE AND KIDS/ GRANDKIDS/GREAT GRANDKIDS:** Tres and I were married in 1969, 54 years ago. We have 4

children. Seth our oldest who passed away in 2005, who has 5 children and 5 grandchildren, Devery who lives in Farr West she has 3 children, Josh who lives in Bountiful and he has 2 children and our last baby was stillborn and passed away in 1982.

**ABOUT YOUR LIFE NOW: DO YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF RETIRED? If so what is that for you?**

I don't have a regular job that pays me, but I travel, paint, do family history and spend every minute I have with the people I love.

**WHAT GIVES YOU MOST JOY?**

We have a place in Palm Springs. We have been going there for close to 40 years. We call it our happy place. It has memories and continues to be a home where my family can go and enjoy being together. I love to set up my easel and paint there too.

**ABOUT YOUR FUTURE ASPIRATIONS:**

Enjoy my family, paint and travel.

**WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS AND HOPES?**

Hope to stay healthy.

**ABOUT YOUR ART WORK: How would you define your career in art?**

Varied, lots of opportunities to do lots of different things. Murals, backdrops, event centers, The horses, and doing fine art. What is next and where are you putting your artistic endeavors? I have realized that I am a highly sensitive person and tend to feel deeply moved by the beauty I see around me. Being aware of that I am continuing to focus on fine art, landscape and whatever inspires me. Can you imagine your great grandma painting murals.. maybe I will focus on smaller





projects, Also I will still help with painting the horses.

**ABOUT CHRISTMAS VILLAGE PROJECT: How did this happen?**

About 25 years ago I was asked to paint lots of animated dolls that were in most of the cottages. From there Ernie Terrazas contacted me to paint different places in the village. The Train tunnel, Santa's Castle, Ballerina Stage...McKay Dee Nursery, The Frozen Cottage, the Grinch house, Gingerbread house, small projects and 14 years of painting the poster. **ONGOING?** Yes ongoing... Painting the Poster.

**ABOUT IMAGINE BALLET PROJECT: How did this happen?**

I met Raymond Van Mason when he was a principal dancer at Ballet West. Devery and Josh were in the Nutcracker for 6 different years. One year they were Clara and Fritz, (they were the first brother and sister to star in a professional ballet together). They traveled together for the ballet and Ray was one of the chaperones. Over the years we continued to talk and when he decided to retire and come to Ogden he asked me to help. He started Imagine Ballet Theater, a nonprofit company. At first I did his print work and took photos of the dancers and the productions. I had my own photo studio at the time. After I started painting large murals in SLC, he asked for my help with a few projects. Then in 2005 the world stopped. I stopped taking wedding photos, I stopped painting, I went into survival mode and tried to wrap my mind around losing my son, Seth. I was devastated. One morning Ray stopped by the house. I wasn't great

about wanting to visit with anyone, but he insisted. We sat downstairs in the quiet and we were both in tears. He pleaded with me to come back and help. He reminded me that other people loved me and to carry on for Seth and the family. It wasn't long before he decided to have his own backdrops for the shows and that was the beginning of many backdrops. 55'x 24' to 33' feet high. I was crawling around on my hands and knees painting. It also gave me an opportunity to have my grandchildren paint with me. My sister Jana and my brother, Brent have been there to help me through my projects too. And especially my husband Tres. It also introduced me back into the world again.

**ABOUT YOUR MURALS: How did this happen?**

Actually in 1971, the school I was teaching in asked to give me a week off if I would paint murals around the school. I had not clue what to do..but I did it. Then about 20 years ago, an Interior Decorator saw some of my paintings and bought some for homes she was decorating. I did my first Mural in a home in Draper. It was a very intense and a difficult library. I got help from an artist friend and it took months to finish. From there she knew a client that was designing a cafe and an event center in Salt Lake City. I painted at 33 foot oil painting of an antique garage and two cars in the cafe. Then for the event center they made 9 steel panels different sizes from 12'x16' to 9' by 30' feet for me to paint. My son Josh created the designs for the murals and even flew out from New York to help paint. This would be the beginning of our collaborations

together on art installation, including the one on 23rd street and the Ogden airport.

**ABOUT YOUR PAINTINGS: What is your favorite of them?**

Too hard to pick. I don't have a favorite. **HOW WOULD YOU DEFINE YOUR ART & STYLE?** I love my impressionistic oils but love the realism in the backdrops and Christmas Village posters.

**WHAT IS YOUR INSPIRATION WHEN DOING ART? WHAT DRIVES YOU? WHAT DO YOU WANT TO SAY TO OUR READERS?** I am surrounded by the things I love, my family, my city and the beauty of the places I visit and live. My passion for these runs deep and seeps out of my brush and onto the canvas. My paintings, whether fine art, a fiberglass horse or a large wall are all part of the passion that dwells within my soul.

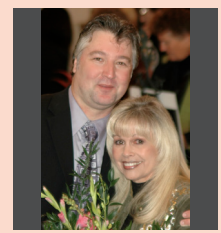
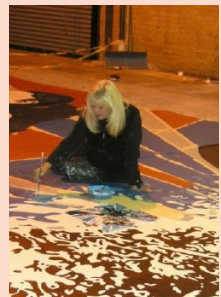
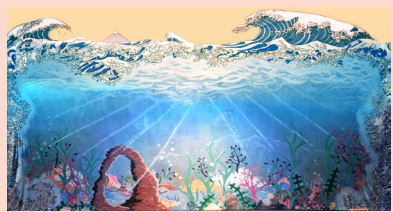
**WHAT GOES THROUGH YOUR MIND AND HOW DO YOU FEEL WHEN DOING ARTWORK?** I am a Sensitive person. I have realized that I look at the world a little differently. I feel at peace, I can't think of much other than what I am painting at the time. Great Stress Relief.

**WORDS OF INSPIRATION TO YOUNG ASPIRING ARTISTS:** Paint what's in your heart, and don't stop painting.

**SUMMATION OF YOUR WORK AND WHAT IS UP AHEAD?** I paint what I see and love. I never know for sure what's ahead, but I'm sure I'll always be painting.

**CHRONOLOGY OF YOUR WORKS:** 30 foot oil painted mural in the Front End Grill 9 large exterior wall murals at the Rail Event Center in Salt Lake City. A painting commissioned by West Haven City for the Ogden River Park Way. Large Mural at 23rd Street and Washington Blvd, (**Breaking Through, which represents the transformation of Ogden into a recreation destination. (team effort with my son Josh Ferrin)** I'm continually painting Backdrops and scenery for The Imagine Ballet Theatre's productions of The Nutcracker, Alice in Wonderland, The Secret Garden, Fairy Doll, Fairyopolious, Urishmo Taro and other ballets Operation Lifesaver Mural in the Union Station Train Station Ogden City Hinckley Airport art installation created with my son Josh Ferrin. Murals for Santa's Castle for Ogden City's Christmas Village, train tunnel, the Frozen Cottage, McKay Dee Foundation, Ogden Regional, The Grinch Cottages and more. Donation of design and art work for posters promoting Ogden City's Christmas Village 2008 to present day. (14 years so far) Reproduction of a historic sign inside the new Weber State University Building downtown Ogden....45 feet long on the third floor. 2011 directed & painted "The Seasons" Mural downtown Ogden (225 feet long) 14 of the "Trails of the West Horses" and currently restoring many more of them. Help create and paint the mural in the parking lot behind IBT Multiple murals for Salt Lake City businesses and private homes throughout the area.

**HONORS**  
*Named honorary Mayor of Christmas Village 2011 for ongoing contributions to art in the city of Ogden. 2014 Mayor's Arts award for the visual arts. 2016 Enlighten-50 Award given by the Community Foundation of Utah for my contributions to the State of Utah in art. 2016 Best Community Artist..given by Narture the Creative Mind Foundation. Served on the Mayor's Art Council 2004-2013. Christmas Village Committee 2012-Current.*





# CHRISTMAS Ogden CALENDAR OF EVENTS



## 2023 – Theme Snow Place Like Ogden

• 61st year

### Christmas Village - Located in Ogden's Municipal Park, 353 E 25th Street

• Opens November 25 and lights are on nightly through January 1st

• Lights are on Friday and Saturday 5pm to Midnight and Sunday through Thursday 5pm to 10pm

• 62 Cottages  
Opening Gala and  
Holiday Electric Light  
Parade

- November 25th  
• 4:30 Santa Run  
• 5:30 Holiday Electric  
Light Parade - starts  
at 22nd Street and  
head South along  
Washington Boule-  
vard to 27th Street.  
For more information,  
call 629-8548.

• 6:30 approx. Open-  
ing Ceremony in the  
amphitheater and a  
firework show

**Santa Claus –**  
located inside amphi-  
theater grounds  
• Will be at the village  
beginning November  
25 to December 23.

• Monday through Fri-  
day from 6pm to 9pm  
and Saturday from  
5pm to 9pm

• Closed on Sundays.  
• It is free to see San-  
ta Claus.

**The Mini Polar Ex-  
press Train Rides –**  
located at the corner  
of 25th and Grant Ave

• Runs Mon through  
Fri from 6pm to 9pm  
and Saturday from  
5pm to 9pm.  
• Free to ride the train



**Christmas Village  
Store -** located in  
amphitheater plaza  
along 25th Street

• Open Monday  
through Friday from  
6pm to 9pm, Saturday  
from 5pm to 9pm.  
Contains novelty  
items and the sweat-  
shirts.

**Hot Cocoa Booth –**  
Located inside amphi-  
theater grounds

**Ogden's Breakfast  
Exchange Club** hot  
cocoa booth raises  
funds for the local  
Shoes for Tots Pro-  
gram. It is open Mon-  
day through Friday  
from 6pm to 9pm and  
Saturday from 5pm to  
9pm

**The Corner –**  
Located at the corner  
of 25th Street and  
Washington Boule-  
vard.

• They have drinks,  
food, souvenirs, and  
other items for sale.  
Entertainment – on  
the Amphitheater  
Stage

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Saturday nights at  
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7:30pm. Closed on  
Tuesday. Email  
amphitheater  
@ogdencity.com  
to schedule a time.

**Mrs. Claus –**  
Located at Santa's  
Castle in the amphi-  
heater grounds.

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tours to preschool  
age children Tuesday  
through Friday from  
10am to 2pm. Call  
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a tour.

**Breakfast with  
Santa –**  
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of Grant Avenue, be-  
tween 25th and 26th  
Street



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[egyptiantheatreFOUNDATION.org](http://egyptiantheatreFOUNDATION.org)  
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### FILM SCHEDULE:

**Nov 25**  
**POLAR EXPRESS**  
**Dec 21**  
**The Grinch**  
**Dec 22 Die Hard**

**MUSIC/ DANCE**  
**CHRISTMAS**  
**CAROL**  
 Presented by  
 Ogden Musical  
 Theater  
**Nov 20**

**JULIE MOFFETS**  
**BALLET SCHOOL**  
 presents  
**NOV 30**

**NUTCRACKER**  
**INSPIRE DANCE**  
**STUDIO presents**  
**DEC 4**

**WINTER**  
**RECITAL**  
**DEC 8**

**NUTCRACKER**  
 Dece 8, 11, 15, 7:30p  
 Dec 9, 15, 1pm & 6p  
 Presented by Imagine  
 Ballet Theater.



## JAZZY NUT- CRACKER

Presented by Imagine  
 Ballet Theater  
**DEC 13**

## "IT'S CHRIST- MAS TIME"

presented by  
 LA'RAE'S DANCE  
 UNLIMITED  
**DEC 18**

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 COSTS, TIMES &  
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## WHITE CHRISTMAS

**Dec 1 - 23**  
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## DANCE BALLET



### IMAGINE BALLET THEATRE @

EGYPTIAN THEATER  
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### UPCOMING SHOW:

**NUTCRACKER**  
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 Dec 9, 15, 1pm & 6p



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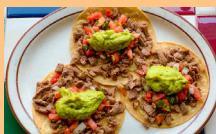
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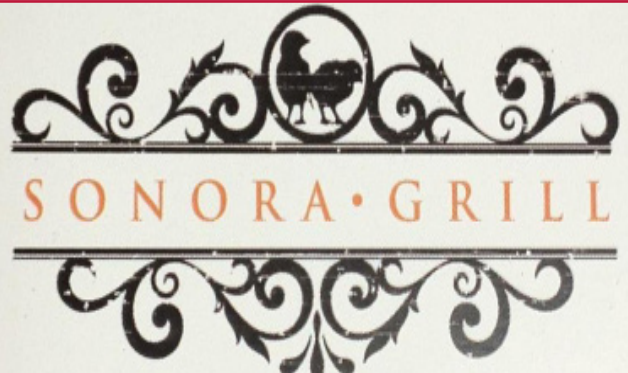
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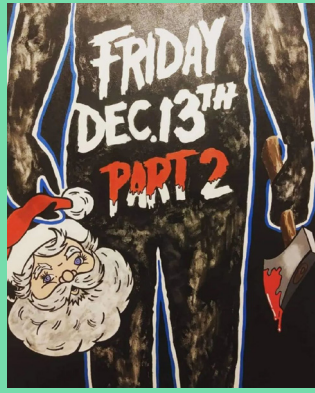
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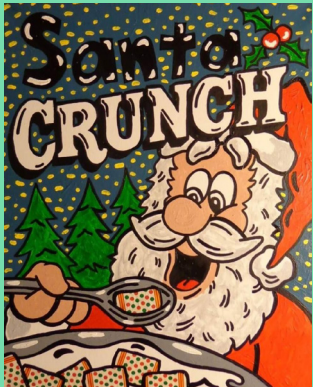
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according to local ogden artist  
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