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Thursday, February 2nd, 2017

Tuesday, February 21st – Saturday, March 18th
Ernie Marjoram – Landscapes of New Mexico

Opening Reception:
Saturday, February 25th, 2017 from 5 – 8PM

Artist Panel Discussion:
Saturday, March 11th, 2017 at 3PM

Ernie Marjoram – Landscapes of New Mexico

Los Angeles artist Ernie Marjoram's current exhibition of paintings titled *Landscapes of New Mexico* focuses on the majestic grandeur and subtle beauty of the American southwest.

On a recent visit to Santa Fe, Marjoram was awed by the massive geological formations in the area around Ghost Ranch, sometimes referred to as O'Keefe country. He found it easy to understand Georgia O'Keefe's fascination with the bold geometric forms and varied colors of the natural landscape. "I decided to paint the same subject," said the artist "but in my own less abstract, more realistic yet still impressionistic way."

Recognizing that the environment is beautiful but can be harsh, Ernie was also inspired to paint the mysterious ruins of adobe pueblos abandoned by their native builders. "As I painted, I tried to imagine who built these structures and how they lived," Marjoram explained, "it was like looking back into history."

The elegance of primitive yet functional architecture of surviving adobe structures such as the chapel at Chimayo also caught Ernie's attention. Even simple details of shadows on adobe walls become the subject in this wide-ranging exhibition of oil paintings.

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