

High end kick-off for prestigious event

The curtain will rise July 22nd for the 2010 edition of the Sooke Fine Arts Show. This Purchasers Preview from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. will offer ticket holders an early opportunity to see, and *buy* the works that capture their hearts – with wine and hors d'oeuvres, a *gala* experience in every sense of the word.

World class music will provide an exquisite background for an early glimpse of works passing the adjudicators' scrutiny.

The Sooke Fine Arts Society is thrilled to have the incomparable duo of John Reischman and John Miller providing the melodic, harmonic and rhythmic component for this spectacle.

The richness of the collaboration between these two musical treasures is documented by a couple of CD releases including *The Singing Moon* and *The Bumpy Road*.

Each artist is at the pinnacle of a stellar career, revered by their peers as much as by their fans.

Ukiah, California native and Vancouver resident John Reischman is ranked in the rarified company of the world's top mandolin players. His unrivalled tone and sensitivity are the perfect complement to his technical prowess and originality. Mr. Reischman is a master of many forms of music (playing and composing) from jazz to Celtic, bluegrass to Brazilian. His busy calendar contains many entries as a performer and teacher all across the continent.

John Miller is about as able and exciting a colleague as any musician could hope for. The imaginative dynamism created by this man and his acoustic guitar is nothing short of awesome, so is his collection of compositions.

With rock solid, often complex, rhythm skills Miller is also more than capable when called upon for a lead break. His adept finger-style can easily create the impression there are more than two men playing in this very special duo.

Witnessing the mastery of Reishman and Miller will cement the magical memories created during the Purchasers Preview Night, leading off the 2010 Sooke Fine Arts Show. Tickets for this event are \$25 and may be reserved by phone or email: 250-642-7256, web@sookefinearts.com. Tickets may also be available at the door.