NEW YORK ACADEMY OF ART'S TRIBECA BALL GOES VIRTUAL,
HONORS ERIC FISCHL

Livestream: **Monday April 5, 6 pm EST**
Student Artwork Gallery and Benefit Sale: **April 5 – May 2**

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On **Monday, April 5**, the New York Academy of Art will present its first ever virtual Tribeca Ball, honoring longtime trustee and distinguished faculty member **Eric Fischl** for his 30 years of Academy support. The chairs for the virtual gala are **Scott & Sarah Avett, Nicolas Bos of Van Cleef & Arpels** and **Steve Martin & Anne Stringfield**. **Van Cleef & Arpels** continues its decade-long support of the Academy by sponsoring Tribeca Ball 2021.

The virtual gala will be free to watch and features tributes to Eric Fischl, a musical performance by **Steve Martin** and **Scott Avett of the Avett Brothers**, a conversation about our founding father **Andy Warhol** with **Kenny Scharf** and **Brooke Shields**, a filmed tour of our Franklin Street studios and much more. The livestream will air at 6 pm EST at [www.tribecaball.com](http://www.tribecaball.com).

In addition to being one of the most prominent artists of our time, Eric Fischl has been an incredible supporter of the Academy and its artists, generous with his time, expertise, and resources. Eric has enhanced our community in many ways: he has endowed alumni residencies, taught master classes, conducts regular artist critiques and mentored numerous students. Most recently, during the height of New York's pandemic in spring 2020, Eric created a limited-edition print to sell in aid of the Academy.

Despite the pandemic, artists at the Academy have steadily continued to produce exceptional work in the studios over the past year. Traditionally, Tribeca Ball offers guests a chance to tour over 100 artist studios in our landmark Tribeca space. Transferring this experience to the digital realm, on April 5 the Academy will also launch an online gallery with hundreds of MFA student artworks, accompanied by mini-profiles of the artists. The gallery will be available online for a full month, and sale proceeds will benefit scholarship and programming funds at the Academy.

Tickets are available now to become a benefit committee member for Tribeca Ball 2021. Ticket packages include items like early access to the artwork sale, private studio tours, and exclusive virtual drawing parties, and are available for sale at [www.tribecaball.com](http://www.tribecaball.com).
NEW YORK ACADEMY OF ART
Founded in 1982 by artists, scholars and patrons of the arts, including Andy Warhol, the New York Academy of Art is a nonprofit cultural and educational institution that combines intensive technical training in the fine arts with active critical discourse. The Academy believes that rigorously trained artists are best able to realize their artistic vision. Through major exhibitions, a lively speaker series, and an ambitious educational program, the Academy serves as a creative and intellectual center for all artists dedicated to highly skilled, conceptually aware figurative and representational art.

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Throughout its history, Van Cleef & Arpels has always displayed an attachment to the values of creativity, transmission and exchange. This constant commitment finds expression in various educational partnerships and artistic patronage programs.

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