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- Fred Taraba's World of 41 Illustrators -**

The Corridor Gallery is ecstatic and humbled to announce "Fred Taraba's World of 41 Illustrators", an upcoming show featuring classic illustration works. Fred is a nationally renowned leading expert, author, collector and dealer of original illustration artwork. Recently, "*Masters of American Illustration: Forty-One Illustrators and How They Worked*" by Fred Taraba was published in book form. The public is invited to attend the opening reception and book launch at the Corridor Gallery on Friday, December 2nd at 7pm. On Saturday, December 3rd, Fred will be hosting a Curator Talk at 1pm to discuss his work. The illustrations will only be showing through Sunday, December 4th.

Who is Fred Taraba? Fred Taraba is a dealer in original American illustrative artwork... that is, painting and drawings that have been created specifically for reproduction in books, magazines, advertisements and many other media. He has been in the business of caring for, writing about and selling original illustration for most of his adult life. For sixteen years he was the Director of Illustration House, Inc. a New York City gallery and auction house specializing in the artform. Prior to that he spent eight years with The Society of Illustrators in New York as their Assistant Director/ Curator and Librarian.

In the period from 1989-2001, Fred wrote a total of forty-one articles on great illustrators for the graphic arts magazine *Step-By-Step Graphics*. In the summer of 2011, the forty-one articles were published in book form under the title: *Masters of American Illustration: Forty-One Illustrators and How They Worked*. The exhibition at the Corridor Gallery brings together original paintings and drawings by many of the artists included in the book. Signed copies of the book; the first printing of which sold out in the month and a half after it was published; will be available at the Corridor show.

Fred was first exposed to the illustration world in the spring of 1983, fell in love and has been involved in it ever since. The illustration world is a varied and interesting place and unlike most dealers seeks to represent the full spectrum of illustration originals. In 2007 he finally felt confident enough in his own abilities to sell illustration art to move out of New York. He moved to Casper, WY and founded his own business Taraba Illustration Art, LLC. His only regret is that he didn't pull the trigger and strike out on his own earlier.

In addition to buying, and selling original American illustration art he also does appraisals, consulting and brokering.

Event Details

Event Title: Fred Taraba's World of 41 Illustrators

Location: The Corridor Gallery, 120 E. 2nd St. Casper, WY 82601

Opening & Showing: Opening Reception on Friday, December 2nd at 7pm
Showing Saturday, December 3rd 10am-5pm and Sunday December 4th Noon-4pm

Doors Open: 7PM

Catering: Cash Bar

Admission: Free

Call 307-333-7035 or email appointment@thecorridorgallery.com with any questions.