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November 3, 2023: Fall Into Art - The 25th Anniversary of the novel *Broken Trail*, the story of the AMC 2006 mini-series of the same name, starring Robert Duvall and Thomas Haden Church

Guests Presenters: Author and screenwriter Alan Geoffrion
Artist and Illustrator Lloyd Kelly



"Two cowboys -- one old the other young, set off to seek their fortune driving a herd of horses across the West. Before long they find themselves risking everything to save five kidnapped Chinese girls from a life of prostitution. Thus begins an epic and perilous journey that changes forever the fates of these young girls, their unlikely guardians, and the other characters they meet along the way." This is the story of *Broken Trail*, a story with a connection to the historic Quarter Circle A Ranch which is the heart and soul of The Brinton Museum. In the book, the horses rounded up from across the West were brought to the

Scotsman William Moncreiffe, and his brother Malcolm, to be sold to the British Cavalry for use in the Boar War in South Africa. In reality, some 20,000 horses were purchased by the Moncreiffes and sold to the British.

The book, *Broken Trail*, is generously illustrated by internationally-known artist Lloyd Kelly who has exhibited his work around the world. Kelly has exhibited widely in galleries and museums in the United States, Europe, Japan, and China. Author and screenwriter Alan Geoffrion is a U.S. Navy veteran and a former school teacher. Geoffrion wrote the screen play for the 2006 popular mini-series *Broken Trail*, starring actors Robert Duvall and Thomas Haden Church.



Lloyd Kelly, photo by Kristin Kelly



Award-winning screen writer Alan Geoffrion

Lloyd Kelly and Alan Geoffrion will give a presentation on the 25th Anniversary book launch of the illustrated version of Broken Trail on Friday, November 3, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Jacomien Mars Reception Gallery. Signed copies of the book will be available for purchase. Lloyd Kelly's limited edition print of the book cover art along with a selection of his original drawings will be on display the same evening. This event is offered free and open to the public.

Reservations for a **ticketed prix fixe dinner in the Brinton Bistro** can be made online. Dinner starts at <u>7:15 PM</u>. Ticket cost: \$55 per person.

About The Brinton Museum: Founded in 1960, The Brinton Museum is a fine arts institution devoted to preserving the art and history of the West. Located on the historic Quarter Circle A Ranch in the foothills of the majestic Bighorn Mountains, it features 19th, 20th and 21st century American and Indian Art in a historic Western setting. The Brinton Museum is a participating member of the North American Reciprocal Museum (NARM) Association which offers its members free admission during regular museum hours to other participating NARM institutions.

Museum Winter Hours: Thursday through Monday, 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM

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