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**NEWS RELEASE – JANUARY 4, 2011**  
**CITY HALL EXHIBIT FEATURES LOCAL ARTISTS ZANDER HARDIN AND**  
**LYN SELLS – ART RECEPTION TUESDAY, JAN. 18**

World photography by Zander Hardin and desert paintings by Lyn Sells are featured in the Art in Public Places exhibit at Twentynine Palms City Hall for January and February 2011. The public is invited to attend a reception for the artists on Tuesday, January 18, from 5 to 6 p.m., preceding the Planning Commission meeting at City Hall, 6136 Adobe Road. Refreshments will be served.

Zander H. Hardin is a transplant to Twentynine Palms via the U.S. Marine Corps. He has also been a world traveler on his own and has traveled to such foreign locales as Mainland China, twice, the United Kingdom, and Tibet. Seeing art in things and places wherever he goes, he has photographed the Great Wall, the Tera Cotta Warriors at Xian, the pandas at Chendu, as well as the Grand Canyon and Hopi Indian dancers in the Southwest. But some of his greatest work is right here in the Morongo Basin. His masterpiece, "A Desert Rainbow," is part of this showing at Twentynine Palms City Hall.

Lyn Sells retired in 2006 from a teaching career of 40 years, the last 19 years of which were spent teaching art for the Department of Defense Dependents' Schools in Germany. For her own work, Sells has studied watercolors with Gary Morrell in Baltimore, watercolors and pastels with Beverly Nevers in Germany, and oil painting while living in Baltimore and Germany with artist Ulrike Rowe. The highlight of her career was painting with well known French abstract colorist Pascal Magis in his atelier in France. Currently, she is painting with acrylics.

Sells and her husband, Paul Stackel, divide their time between their summer home on Chase Lake in Glenfield, New York, and a winter home in Twentynine Palms. In spring 2009, Sells launched her website: [www.lynsartandcrafts.com](http://www.lynsartandcrafts.com).

The Art in Public Places exhibit at City Hall is sponsored by the Public Arts Advisory Committee and is on display through February 28. Twentynine Palms City Hall is open Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call (760)367-6799.

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