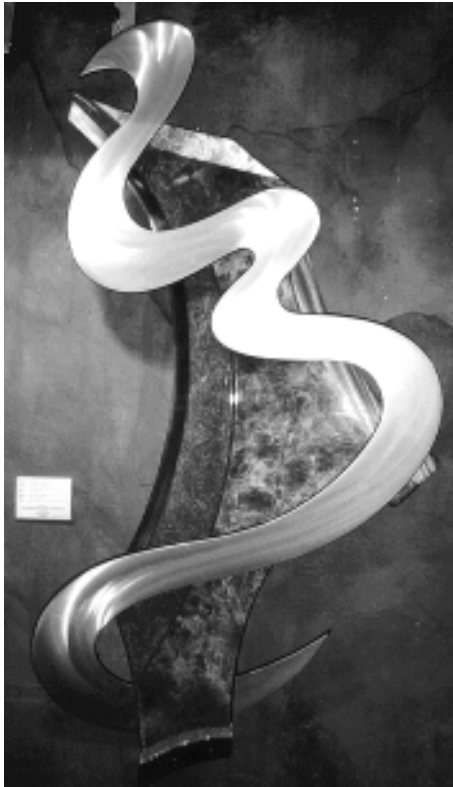


STOLEN ART



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FRENCH, Craig
1997
Pacific Blue
acrylic & brushed aluminum
52" x 34" x 4"
etched "CFrench"

GALLERY THEFT

On May 5, 1997, a suspect entered a large hotel in Century City containing an art gallery. The gallery had closed for the day but artwork was kept on display, mounted on the walls of the hallway outside the gallery. The suspect yanked a Craig French wall sculpture off the wall and wrapped it in a possible sheet. He then exited the hotel and entered a grey Chevrolet Cavalier with Arizona plates. Hotel surveillance cameras reveal the suspect to be a male Hispanic, about 6-2, 200 lbs., 41 yrs old with a receding hair line. The car was later found abandoned on a freeway in Cerritos. It had been purchased for cash with phony ID information under the name "Louis Ramirez."



suspect entering hotel



exiting with sculpture wrapped in sheet

Requesting any information on . . .

1. **Muramasa Kudo** - watercolor, pastels & charcoal on rice paper - depicting nude woman seated & holding two small children - dedication written at bottom - 40" x 30". (Long Beach)
2. **Arthur Beaumont** - oil on canvas - "*Fisherman Dragging the Net*" - 25" x 30" - signed lower left. (W. Hwd)
3. **Edgar Payne** - oil on canvas - "*Sierra Morning*" - 25" x 30". (Laguna Beach)
4. **Edgar Payne** - oil on board - "*Out to Sea*" - 8" x 9". (Laguna Beach)
5. **(40) brass antique cash registers.** (South Gate)

ADDITIONAL STOLEN ART

(2) Chinese garden statues
18th century
bronze
40-50" tall, 300 lbs



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Dieppe carved bone mirror
19th century
with coat of arms at top & figures of
angels