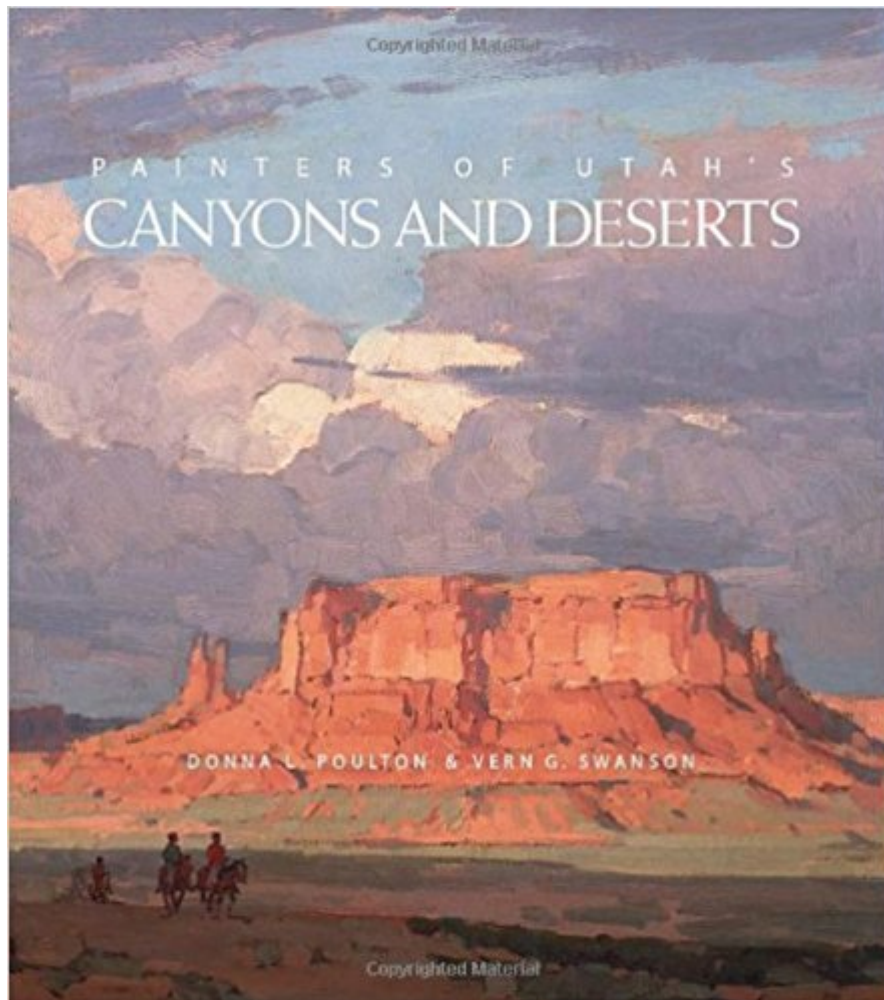




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# **Painters Of Utah's Canyons And Deserts**



## Synopsis

Vividly illustrated and exhaustively researched and documented, *Painters of Utah's Canyons and Deserts* weaves a sweeping tapestry of artists' attempts to capture the majesty, rare beauty, and raw danger of Utah's frontier West. A COMPREHENSIVE HISTORY OF ARTISTS WHO PAINTED SOUTHERN UTAH, INCLUDING: Solomon Nunes Carvalho Frederick S. Dellenbaugh John Heber Stansfield William Keith Samuel Coleman Thomas Moran Minerva B. K. Teichert Maynard Dixon LeConte Stewart J. Roman Andrus Birger SandzÅ©n Everett Ruess Georgia O'Keeffe Max Ernst Alfred Lambourne Henry L. A. Culmer Donald Beauregard Donna L. Poulton is Associate Curator of Utah and Western Art at the University of Utah's Museum of Fine Arts. She has written articles on Utah and Western art, and is the coauthor of *Utah Art*, *Utah Artists*. She lives in Salt Lake City. Vern G. Swanson has been the director of the Springville, Utah, Museum of Art since 1980. He has published fourteen art history books as sole or joint author, five of these on Utah art, a major tome titled *Dynasty of the Holy Grail*, and *Soviet Impressionist Painting*. He lives in Springville, Utah.

## Customer Reviews

*Painters of Utah's Canyons and Deserts* is a welcome addition to any art enthusiast's bookshelf because it gives readers both a historical context and visual progression of the landscape through paintings created by Utah's past and present artists. (Southwest Art 2010-04-01) This is a tremendous book - almost as big as a canyon itself. It's full of superb paintings and I like the broad selection with its wide appeal. This is much more than a coffee table book, it includes a series of essays giving a background to the painters that have visited and painted this region. Is there anything more wondrous than the canyons of this area? These painters capture the essence of the canyons - the quality of the light, the texture of the rock surfaces, the scale of the magnificent scenery and the colours of the desert and canyon. I have too many favourites to mention them all here. Some of the paintings are breathtaking. I think in this huge selection, there is something for everyone. This is a dramatic book that serves its dramatic subject well. (Karen Platt [www.karenplatt.co.uk/review](http://www.karenplatt.co.uk/review) 2010-09-21)

PAINTERS OF UTAHâ™S CANYONS AND DESERTS Famous movie director John Ford once emphatically exclaimed, âœ . . . Monument Valley was my greatest star.â• But long before Ford lionized these great icons, paintings of the sweeping desert and colorful canyon country of Utahâ™s plateau province had captured the popular imagination of American and European

audiences. contrasts between painters who called Utah home and those who explored and visited. Starting with the rich visual images of Native American petroglyphs, the book then looks at the lively anecdotes of the artists as explorers, including John Wesley Powell's harrowing trip down the Colorado River, artist Solomon Nunes Carvalho's recovery from the brink of starvation, and artist Richard Kern's death at the hands of the Paiutes. Thomas Moran is prominent in this history with dramatic lithographs and his own exploration of the Zion region.

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