

ANDREW WYETH, native of Pennsylvania and Maine, artist of unquestioned magnitude. Your eloquent portrayals of the Maine coast, of Pennsylvania, and of the people of both have justly made you the most noted living American artist and have ensured your place as one of the nation's greatest painters. You speak of painting in the language of love and have explained your artistic offer in terms of your emotional contact with the place where you live and the people you paint. That quality of love and respect has spoken clearly to your public. The first American painter to receive the Medal of Freedom, your honors are legion, yet you have always preserved the common touch, and your thoughts have always remained with the people whose lives you have entered. Just as your father before you, you have endeared yourself to the people of the State of Maine. That endearment will live on forever through the great art created by your vision and humanity.

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