

# Managed Volatility Fund (MAIPX)

August 31, 2021

Inception: September 2010

Fund AUM: \$175.7MM

**Objective: Income & Capital Appreciation** 

# **Strategy Overview**

We look to deliver a consistent return stream to reduce the impact of major market events while still seeking absolute returns over multiple market cycles.

## Approach

- Seeks to harvest variance risk premium and equity risk premium by writing calls on US equities and writing puts against a portfolio of cash collateral.
- Target delta<sup>1</sup> adjusted exposures of 35-65% under normal market conditions.

### MORNINGSTAR RATINGS™ (AS OF 8/31/21)

Overall	****
3-Year	****
5-Year	****
10-Year	****

MAIPX earned 4 stars for the Morningstar Overall Rating among 85 funds in the U.S.-domiciled Options Trading category, 3 stars for 3-year rating among 85 funds, 3 stars for 5-year rating among 55 funds, and 5 stars for 10-year rating among 11 funds. Ratings are based on risk-adjusted returns.

#### STRATEGY PERFORMANCE

			ANNUALIZED TOTAL RETURN PERFORMANCE PERIODS ENDING JUNE 30, 2021					
	AUG 2021	YTD	1 YEAR	3 YEAR	5 YEAR	10 YEAR	since inception <sup>2</sup>	volatility³
MAIPX	0.88%	8.65%	16.34%	7.41%	7.12%	6.02%	6.24%	7.05%
BXM <sup>4</sup>	2.67%	14.64%	27.28%	5.36%	7.05%	7.01%	7.39%	9.91%
M* Options Trading⁵	1.17%	8.32%	16.30%	7.41%	5.81%	4.22%	4.90%	5.86%
S&P 500 Index	3.04%	21.58%	40.79%	18.67%	17.65%	14.84%	15.58%	13.32%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Delta adjusted exposure is the sensitivity of options to changes in price of the underlying security as well as for making exposure comparisons to the underlying.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Inception-to-Date ("ITD") data for both the S&P 500 Index and BuyWrite Index (BXM) reflect MAIPX's inception date of 9.23.2010.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Volatility is measured as the standard deviation of monthly returns.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>The CBOE S&P 500 BuyWrite Index ("BXM") is a benchmark index designed to track the performance of a hypothetical buy-write strategy on the S&P 500 Index. The BXM is a passive total return index based on (i) buying an S&P 500 stock index portfolio, and (ii) writing (or selling) the near-term S&P 500 Index "covered" call option, generally on the third Friday of each month.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Morningstar assigns MAIPX to its Options Trading category.

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#### **EXPERTISE**

### Kurt Nye, CFA | Seth Shalov | Rick Buoncore

80+ Years Combined Experience

#### 5-YEAR (AS OF 8/31/21)

	Beta <sup>1</sup> (vs. S&P 500)	Volatility	Sharpe <sup>2</sup>
MAIPX	0.52	8.43	0.72
BXM	0.70	11.68	0.57
M* Options Trading	0.41	6.23	0.76
S&P 500	1.00	14.96	1.11

#### **EXPENSE RATIOS**

	MAIPX
Gross*	1.17%
Net**	1.05%

<sup>\*</sup>Reflects the expense ratio excluding any waivers and/or reimbursements

#### **ABOUT THE ADVISER**

MAI Investment Management provides targeted solutions to advisors and institutions as a line of business of MAI Capital Management, a registered investment advisor founded in 1973, with \$11.3 billion assets under management as of 6.30.2021.

# MAI Managed Volatility Fund

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Beta represents the systematic risk of a portfolio and measures its sensitivity to a benchmark. A portfolio with a beta of one is considered to be as risky as the benchmark and would therefore provide expected returns equal to those of the market benchmark during both up and down periods. A portfolio with a beta of two would move approximately twice as much as the benchmark. Sharpe Ratio, developed by Nobel Laureate William F. Sharpe, is a measure of reward per unit of risk, where standard deviation represents risk. The higher the Sharpe ratio, the better. The Sharpe ratio is calculated as the portfolio's excess return over the risk-free rate divided by the portfolio's standard deviation. The portfolio's excess return is its geometric mean return minus the geometric mean return of the risk-free instrument.

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<sup>\*\*</sup>The Adviser has contractually agreed to waive its fee and/or reimburse expenses to limit total operating expenses until January 1, 2022. Otherwise, performance displayed would have been lower.