

Event Guide for *Stems Plein Air Paint 2018*

ARTIST DATES AND DEADLINES

May 18 - Sunset Quick Paint/Opening Artist's Reception at Arboretum

- Plein Air event begins at **5pm** for artist sign-in and reception. Rain or Shine!
- Meet at front entrance of Arboretum (front sidewalk to Visitor's Center) by 5pm for sign-in.
- Painting begins shortly after **6pm to 8:30pm**. Judging promptly after painting.
- \$500 purchase award** to the winning painting plus, all who enter have a chance to win door prizes!
- Participation is not mandatory, only encouraged.
- See "Artist Sign-in" info below if not attending Sunset Quick Paint.

May 19 - First Full Day of Painting at ALL locations

- For remainder of event, see sign-in times/locations noted below.

May 25 - Craig Sole Block Party and Special Painting Challenges are due

- Please join us from **6:30pm to 8pm** at **Craig Sole Designs** for an evening of food, refreshments, and fun! Artists are invited to hang out, enjoy food and beverages, and even paint if they want!
- Also, both Special Painting Challenge entries are due by **7:00pm** at **Craig Sole Designs** and will be judged shortly thereafter. A **\$500 purchase award** goes to the winner of each challenge.
- See Special Painting Challenge info on website or enclosed in your artist packets for details.
- Participation is not mandatory, only encouraged.

May 29-31 - Artist Submission Date Range

- Submissions are to be turned in for judging to **The Rice Gallery of Fine Art 10:30am-5:30pm** during these dates (TUESDAY-THURSDAY).

May 31 - Last Day to Paint before Judging

June 1 - Judging (closed session)

- Judging results announced via <https://www.facebook.com/stems.pleinair> and email before **6pm**.

June 3 - Stems Plein Air Art Fair at Arboretum

- Art Fair artists will set up tents and sell plein air paintings to park visitors from **11am-5pm** (Participation is limited to artists who paid for additional Art Fair Registration fee).

June 15-July 29 - Art at the Center Feature Show

- After judging, a VIP panel will select a number of paintings to be featured for sale in a special Art at the Center Feature Show at the Tomahawk Ridge Community Center gallery space.
- Show opens **June 15** with an Artist's Reception at **6pm** and will be on display until **July 29** (please invite family, friends, and clients).

June 18-20 - Artist Pick-up at The Rice Gallery of Fine Art for paintings NOT SELECTED

-Artists will be notified via email if they have any paintings NOT SELECTED for the AATC Feature Show that need to be picked up.

June 24 - Stems: A Garden Soirée Event

- A select group of paintings will be for sale in the Stems Plein Air tent for the Stems: A Garden Soirée event at the Arboretum **7-11pm**.

-This is a ticketed event for Stems patrons. Any artists wanting to attend must purchase tickets.

July 30-August 1 - Artist Pick-up at Tomahawk Ridge Community Center for any unsold paintings

-Please DO NOT pick up your AATC Show paintings until the show has concluded.

-For special arrangements, please contact us at stemspleinair@sbcglobal.net.

-Please pick up your paintings at Art at the Center (Tomahawk Ridge Community Center) from **9am-8pm** during these three days (Mon, Tues, Wed).

-YOU MUST PRESENT A PHOTO I.D. ALONG WITH YOUR PINK SUBMISSION RECEIPT IN ORDER TO PICK UP YOUR PAINTINGS.

ARTIST SIGN-IN

-All artists must sign in, acknowledge the liability waiver/terms of use agreement, and receive their artist packet and name badge before painting.

-Artists are required to sign-in only once, not per visit.

-There are **Two locations** available for Artist Sign-in:

Opening weekend:
Friday, May 18 from 5pm-Sunset
& Saturday, May 19 from 9am-Noon
at the Overland Park Arboretum

Remainder of Event:
Mon-Sat 10:30am-5:30pm
at The Rice Gallery of Fine Art

CANVAS STAMPING

-Canvas stamping locations are the same as the "Artist Sign-in" locations noted above.

-After opening weekend, canvas stamping will be available at the **Overland Park Arboretum from 9am-Noon** each day.

-Canvas Stamping will also be available at **The Rice Gallery of Fine Art, Mon-Sat, 10:30am-5:30pm**.

-The back of all artist painting surfaces must be stamped with the official Stems Plein Air Paint 2018 stamp.

-Only blank painting materials (canvas, board, paper, etc.) will be stamped.

-Stamp as many painting materials as you need. There is no limit.

PAINTING EVENT LOCATIONS

-Although Stems Plein Air Paint is now open to **the entire City of Overland Park, KS** as a painting location, we still want to encourage artists to paint at our partnering locations:

Overland Park Arboretum
Hours: 8am-7:30pm daily
(Free Admission with Nametag)

Deanna Rose Children's Farmstead
Hours: 9am-5pm daily
(Free Admission Mon-Thurs 2pm-Close)

Historic Downtown Overland Park
Public Property
(Varied typical business hours)

-All artists will be issued an artist nametag at sign-in. Please make sure you have your nametag **AT ALL TIMES WHEN PAINTING AT ALL LOCATIONS.**

-Artists **MUST** identify themselves at the entrance of the Arboretum with their **ARTIST NAMETAGS** to bypass the admission fee before entering the grounds. This applies to **REGISTERED ARTISTS ONLY**. Family and friends will have to pay any applicable admission fees.

-The **FREE ADMISSION** hours for the Deanna Rose Children's Farmstead are Monday-Thursday from 2pm to Close. Otherwise there will be a \$2 admission fee to enter the Farmstead.

-Please be courteous and respect the privacy of any ongoing public/private events at all locations.

-Please remember that we are guests to all painting locations and please be polite and courteous to all park staff, proprietors, volunteers, and any curious bystanders.

-Please respect the nature of your surroundings when disposing of any painting materials that are not friendly to the environment. The dumping/disposal of solvents, or any other corrosive materials, **WILL NOT** be allowed on the grounds at any of the painting locations.

-Please be mindful when painting in the City of Overland Park. Since this painting location is not enclosed in any specific area, artists will be expected to abide by all applicable public laws/rules regarding their surroundings.

SPECIAL PAINTING CHALLENGES

-You will find info regarding this year's **SPECIAL PAINTING CHALLENGES** (instructions, locations) in your artist packet and/or online at www.stemspleinair.com.

-Painting challenge participation is not mandatory, only encouraged.

-Artists are invited to create a plein air style painting of each specified location during the event for a chance at winning a special **\$500 purchase award**.

-Submissions for each special painting challenge are due by **7:00pm at Craig Sole Designs** in Downtown OP on **Friday, May 25**.

-Submissions will be judged and results will be announced promptly thereafter.

PAINTING SUBMISSIONS AND JUDGING

- Submissions for judging are limited to 3 paintings per artist.
- Submission forms can be found in your artist packet and online at www.stemspleinair.com.
- Artists must securely attach completed submission form to the back of EACH painting submitted.**
- ALL PAINTINGS SUBMITTED FOR JUDGING MUST BE DELIVERED READY TO HANG.**
- We encourage all artists to consider the quality of the framing and finishing of their submissions. It does make a difference when displaying and selling your paintings to the public.
- Judging results will be announced via <https://www.facebook.com/stems.pleinair> and email before 6pm on the scheduled day of judging.

SELLING YOUR PAINTINGS

- All paintings will be for sale in a **private pre-sale event** for Stems VIPS at *The Rice Gallery of Fine Art* after judging.
- Then, a special VIP panel will select paintings to be featured in a month long **Art at the Center Feature Show** at the *Tomahawk Ridge Community Center* gallery space.
- Many of the AATC selections will also be featured for sale (one night only) in the **Stems Plein Air Sales Tent** at the *Stems: A Garden Soirée* event!
- All painting selections are to remain for sale until the conclusion of the event on July 29.
- For every painting that sells, 60% of the proceeds go to the artist and 40% goes to the *Arts & Recreation Foundation of Overland Park*.
- Please allow 2-3 weeks for any sales to process. Checks will be mailed to the artist's contact address that was provided during registration.
- At an additional cost, artists may also rent a sales tent (while supplies last) for the **Stems Plein Air Art Fair** at the *Overland Park Arboretum & Botanical Gardens* (see website for details).

PICKING UP YOUR PAINTINGS

- NOT SELECTED:** Unfortunately, not every painting will be selected for the Art at the Center (AATC) Feature Show after judging. Paintings not selected for the the AATC Show will need to be picked up on **June 18-20** at *The Rice Gallery of Fine Art* between the hours of **10:30am and 5:30pm**. Any artist needing to pick up a painting during this period will be notified via email.
- SELECTED:** Please do not pick up any of your unsold paintings from the AATC Show until after the event has concluded. Please pick up all unsold paintings at *Art at the Center* (Tomahawk Ridge Community Center) from **9am-8pm** during the dates of **July 30-August 1 (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday)**.
- A photo ID and an issued PINK submission receipt will be required to pick up your paintings for any and all pick up dates and locations.
- If you have to pick up your work before the date stated above, please contact us to make special arrangements.

For any questions please contact us at stemspleinair@sbcglobal.net or call us at (913) 685-8889

***The Rice Gallery of Fine Art* is located at Hawthorne Plaza (119TH & Roe)
4829 W. 119TH Street, Overland Park, KS 66209**