

Event Guide for *Stems Plein Air Paint 2019*

ARTIST DATES AND DEADLINES

May 17 - 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 18 - First Full Day of Painting at ALL locations

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

May 24 - Craig Sole Block Party and Special Painting Challenge paintings 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, the 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 the challenge.
- See Special Painting Challenge info on website or enclosed in your artist packets for details.
- Participation is not mandatory, only encouraged.

May 28-30 - Painting Submissions for Judging Date Range

- A maximum of 3 paintings can be turned in for judging to **The Rice Gallery of Fine Art** from **10:30am to 5:30pm** during these dates (TUESDAY-THURSDAY).

May 30 - Last Day to Paint before Judging

May 31 - Judging (closed session)

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

June 2 - Stems Plein Air Art Fair at Arboretum

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

June 7 - Art at the Center Feature Show Opens

- After judging, our plein air committee 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 7** with an Artist's Reception at **6pm** and will be on display until **July 28** (please invite family, friends, and clients).

June 22 - 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 28 - Art at the Center Feature Show Ends

-This is the last day of the AATC Feature Show.

July 29-31st - Artist Pick-up at Tomahawk Ridge Community Center for any unsold paintings

-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.

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

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

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 17 from 5pm-Sunset
& Saturday, May 18 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 is available at both ***The Overland Park Arboretum & Botanical Gardens*** and ***The Rice Gallery of Fine Art*** during the entire event.

-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 this year's official Stems Plein Air Paint stamp prior to painting.

- Only blank painting materials (canvas, board, paper, etc.) will be stamped.
- Stamp as many painting materials as you want or need. There is no limit.

PAINTING EVENT LOCATIONS

-Stems Plein Air Paint is now open to **the entire City of Overland Park, KS** as a painting location, but if you need a suggestion on where to paint, one of our partnering locations is always a good choice:

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

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.

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

-Please be a polite and courteous guest to park staff, proprietors, volunteers, and any curious bystanders at all painting locations.

-Please respect the nature of your surroundings and 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 regarding their surroundings.

PAINTING SUBMISSIONS AND JUDGING

-Each artists may submit a maximum of 3 paintings for judging.

-Submission forms are in your artist packet and online at www.stemspleinair.com/rules-and-regulations .

-Securely attach a completed submission form to the back of EACH painting submitted.

-ALL PAINTINGS SUBMITTED FOR JUDGING MUST BE PROPERLY WIRED AND DELIVERED READY TO HANG.

-Consider the quality of the framing and finishing of your painting 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 after 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, our 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 28.
- 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

- 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 29-31 (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**