

A Call for Artists!

Application for the Owensboro Art Guild and the
Western Kentucky Botanical Garden Plein Air Art Event.

On Saturday, June 18, 2022



Plein air painting is about leaving your studio and experiencing painting and drawing in the landscape. The creation of transportable paint tubes and easels allowed artists the freedom to paint “en plein air,” a French term for “in the open air.” The practice goes back for centuries where French Impressionists made it into an art form.

This plein air art event will be **Saturday, June 18, 2022** at the **Western Kentucky Botanical Garden** located at 25 Carter Road, Owensboro, Kentucky 42301. With twelve acres in The Garden, we should have plenty of room to spread out. You may access The Garden the week leading up to this event free of charge to scout out a place to set up and create art.

You are not limited to painting, any art medium you choose to create *en plein air* will qualify. The gate opens for artists check-in at **7:00 a.m.** You **MUST** have your canvas, paper or choice of art surface stamped before you begin to create or paint. You do not have to be there at 7:00 a.m., but all artwork must be completed and submitted for judging no later than **1:30 p.m.** Artwork

labels and any additional information will be provided at check-in. Framing is optional but highly recommended as the artwork will be displayed that evening. Please supply easels to display your art since it is not possible to hang paintings.

Our Juror is **Katie Cox Lowing**. Katie specializes in landscapes inspired by her garden. She has studied at the University of Kentucky, Kansas State University and Kentucky Wesleyan College. She has also illustrated books like *To Market, To Market*, a cookbook featuring whimsical pigs, *Sneaky Pie’s Cookbook for Mystery Lovers* by famous author Rita Mae Brown, and the children’s book, *How High Am I Now, Mommy?* She is a member of the Owensboro Art Guild, The Henderson Society of Art and the Ohio Valley Art League. Katie has attended many plein air workshops and some of her favorites are Lori Putnam, Camille Przewodek, Scott Christenson and Bill Fletcher.

\$300 in Cash Awards (adult artist) plus purchase awards will be presented. Artists will display their plein air artwork 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in The Garden. You may sell your art commission free.

Application must be **received by June 11, 2022.**

Entry fee - \$20.00 per adult artist 18 and over • entrants under age 18 are **FREE** and must be accompanied by an adult. In the event of inclement weather, we will make every effort to schedule a rain-out date during the Daylily festival. There will be no refund if we must cancel this event because of inclement weather. The Art Guild will supply snacks and water.

You may produce as much art you like, however you can only submit up to two pieces for judging.

All entrants must return the bottom part of this form with your check for \$20.00 (18 and over) made payable to the Owensboro Art Guild and mail to Owensboro Art Guild, P.O. Box 743, Owensboro, KY 42302. Questions should be directed to Sarah Higdon at owensboroartguild@gmail.com or 270-922-0133.

Please Print:

Name: _____ Age if under 18: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Along with your art supplies, some suggested items for artist to bring are: hand sanitizer, bug spray, sunscreen, extra paper towels, water, trash bag, hat and comfortable shoes.