



Oil Painters of America "City by the Sea" Plein Air Competition Rules and Regulations

Painting: Wednesday, April 29 – Thursday, April 30
Sale: Saturday, May 2 – Sunday, May 3

This event is being held in conjunction with the Oil Painters of America's National Exhibition at Cutter and Cutter Fine Art's Brilliance in Color Gallery, located in St. Augustine, Florida. A first, second and third place ribbon will be awarded to the top three artists. Winners will be announced at the "City by the Sea" Artists' Reception at Gallery Del Mar on Saturday evening, May 2; from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Awards will be announced at 6:30 p.m. The gallery will remain open until 10:00 p.m. This year's Juror of Awards is Marc Hanson OPA.

Plein Air (*i.e. open air*) paintings are executed outdoors from real life, as opposed to using photographs in a studio. Both painter and subject must be outdoors, and photographs may not be used.

RULES FOR THE EVENT

Eligibility Requirements: Artists registered to attend OPA's full 5-day convention are eligible to participate in the plein air painting events and competition.

- 1. Painting Area:** An artist may paint any subject or scene outdoors that he/she chooses, within the state of Florida.
- 2. Painting Time Period:** Each work of art must be started and completed "en plein air" between the dates of **Wednesday April 29 and Thursday April 30**

This event will be held rain or shine, so come prepared!

- 3. Required Registration:** All participating artists must be registered for OPA's 5-day convention, as well as have their canvas stamped prior to any work being done. *(No Exceptions)* **A complete schedule of registration times and locations are listed below.**

Tuesday, April 28	5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Brilliance in Color Gallery
Wednesday, April 29	7:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Brilliance in Color Gallery
Wednesday, April 29	4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Casa Monica Hotel - Poolside
Thursday, April 30	7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Casa Monica Hotel

4. Material Requirements:

- Oil is the only medium that will be accepted
- The artists' canvas, paper or board **must be stamped with the OPA seal** by a representative of Cutter & Cutter Fine Art's Brilliance in Color Gallery, OPA or SW Art Magazine.

5. Painting Submission Requirements:

- **Maximum painting size should not exceed 320 square inches unframed**
- Paintings must be delivered framed to Gallery Del Mar, 9 King Street, St. Augustine, FL, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Friday, May 1
- One painting per artist guaranteed. Based on the number of registered attendees, the gallery may allow for an additional painting so come prepared!
- The "OPA" Stamp provided at registration must be visible on the back of each painting
- All paintings must be appropriately framed, mounted and securely wired for hanging.

OPA reserves the right to refuse any painting improperly framed or wired

- 6. Proceeds from Painting Sales:** For paintings sold on Saturday, May 2 and Sunday, May 3, the proceeds will be divided as follows:

Artist: 50%

Cutter & Cutter Fine Art Gallery: 40%

Oil Painter of America: 10%

Artists should receive payment from Cutter & Cutter Fine Art within 3- 4 weeks.

- 7. Frames available:** Frames will be available for sale in a number of smaller sizes beginning Wednesday, April 29. More information to follow.

- 8. Artists will be responsible** for picking up their painting anytime between the hours of 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 3. Cutter & Cutter Fine Art will assist artists who would like to have their plein air paintings shipped home. If you have an account number for Fed Ex or UPS be sure to bring it with you! If not, payment is due prior to shipping.

Oil Painters of America, Cutter & Cutter Fine Art and Gallery Del Mar assume no responsibility for theft, damage or liability. Please note: artists are responsible for insurance of his or her artwork.

Cutter & Cutter Fine Art's Brilliance In Color Gallery 25 King Street St Augustine, FL 32084 (800) 268-2240	SW Art's "Pampered Paint Out" Washington Oaks Gardens State Park 6400 N. Oceanshore Boulevard Palm Coast, FL. 32137	Casa Monica Hotel 95 Cordova Street St Augustine, FL 32084 (904) 827-1888	Gallery Del Mar 9 King Street St. Augustine, FL 32084
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For further questions regarding OPA's "City by the Sea" Plein Air Competition please call 815- 356-5987 or e-mail: mail@oilpaintersofamerica.com