



# OIL PAINTERS of AMERICA®

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## 2026 Event Schedule



### 35th National Exhibition & Convention

May 30-August 27, 2026

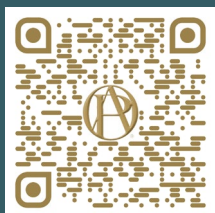
Steamboat Art Museum

Convention at Steamboat Grand, May 26-31

Steamboat Springs, Colorado

With over \$100,000 in cash and merchandise awards the National Exhibition is taking place in one of our most popular destinations. The Convention will include demos and presentations by North America's leading artists. The **OPA National Wet Paint Competition** will take place in conjunction with the Convention, with all entries displayed and eligible for major OPA awards.

**Entries Due March 6, 2026**



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events, and programs at

[oilpaintersofamerica.com](http://oilpaintersofamerica.com)

### OPA National Salon Exhibition of Small Paintings

July 31-August 29, 2026

Cassens Fine Art, Hamilton, Montana

Featuring nearly 200 works 16 x 20 inches and smaller, with over \$35,000 in awards and held in one of the premier galleries of the Mountain West.

**Entries Due June 12, 2026**

### Virtuosos of the OPA

October 9-November 8, 2026

Principle Gallery, Alexandria, Virginia

An exclusive show with over \$35,000 in awards and a strong focus on sales by this prestigious gallery in Old Town Alexandria, an historic district across the river from Washington, D.C.

**Entries Due August 20, 2026**



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### Online Showcase Competitions

Over \$20,000 in cash awards. All entries are posted on the OPA website for two years.

Spring Jan 1-April 15  
Summer May 1-Aug 15  
Fall Sep 1-Nov 30

### OPA Student Art Competition

Two Divisions: High School Age 14-18 and College Age 19-23. Cash and merchandise awards. Winners are invited to exhibit their work in OPA's National Exhibition.

**Entries Due April 1, 2026**