2019 COMMUNITY PAINT OUT

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CALL FOR ARTISTS: COMMUNITY PAINT OUT

All local & regional artists are invited to compete for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place prizes at the annual Finger Lakes Plein Air Community Paint Out to be held at Sonnenberg Mansion & Gardens (151 Charlotte Street, Canandaigua) on Sunday, June 9th, as part of the Eighth Annual Finger Lakes Plein Air Festival and Competition. Winning artwork will be displayed at Sonnenberg’s Carriage House until 4 pm following the competition. Artists will have two hours, timed, to create artworks for the following prizes: 1st Place $150 / 2nd Place $75 / 3rd Place $50.

SCHEDULE

Registration Deadline: All participants must pre-register online at www.fingerlakespleinair.com or may register in person on the morning of the event at Sonnenberg’s Carriage House. Participants are strongly encouraged to register early online at www.fingerlakespleinair.com

Final Deadlines: Saturday, June 8, at midnight (online registration) 
Sunday, June 9 at 10:30 am (in person)

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9:30am – 10:30am: In-Person Registration & Check-in at Sonnenberg’s Carriage House

10:30 – 12:30 pm: Painters may paint anywhere within the boundaries of Sonnenberg (while outside) or outside Sonnenberg while looking at Sonnenberg’s property

1:30 – 2:00 pm: Community Paint Out Judging at Sonnenberg’s Carriage House by local artists

2:00 pm: Winners Announced – cash prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place

Artwork offered for sale until 4:00 pm.

2019 COMMUNITY PAINT OUT – OFFICIAL RULES

On the day of the competition: Sunday, June 9, from 9:30 – 10:30 am
• CHECK IN. Please come to the Carriage House at Sonnenberg Mansion & Gardens (READ THE NEXT SECTION BELOW FOR EASY ACCESS!!!!) to check in, have your canvas stamped, and receive tags for identifying your artwork. You may also register at this time if you have not previously done so.

• CARRIAGE HOUSE LOCATION: Sonnenberg is located at 151 Charlotte Street, Canandaigua. You can access the Carriage House by driving through Sonnenberg’s main gate, parking, and taking a tram to the Carriage House with your materials. Or you may park at the Veterans Administration off of Fort Hill (turn east onto Fort Hill off of Main Street, go through the VA gates and park on your left, then walk across the street to Sonnenberg’s Carriage House, which is on the corner of Fort Hill and East Street). It is probably easiest to access Sonnenberg through the back gate.

• SET UP. Select a painting site within the competition boundaries if you have not previously done so. You may set up your equipment before the competition officially begins at 10:30 am.

• BOUNDARIES. All painting must take place on Sonnenberg’s property, or on adjacent properties looking at Sonnenberg’s property. Be sure that your site is in a safe location, out of the way of traffic, and not obstructing pedestrians from passing by or into shops. Permission from owner must be granted to be on private property.

• MATERIALS. Paint Out participants are required to bring all materials necessary for their work to be completed (e.g., canvas, paint, water, brushes, and an easel to work on and display your artwork during judging). We encourage you to bring an umbrella large enough to cover your work area to provide shade and protection in case of rain.

• BEGIN PAINTING. At 10:30 am, artists will begin to create their artwork. The artists must start with nothing pre-painted or pre-drawn and create their artwork ONLY during the Community Paint Out time frame. If the rules are violated, the participant will be disqualified.

• STOP PAINTING. The competition ends at 12:30 pm. All artists must stop painting at this time.

• PAINTING RESTRICTIONS. All work must be completed 100% “en plein air,” e.g., outdoors, during the competition.

• READY-MADE FRAME OR MAT. After completion, each painting MUST be framed and matted, in a manner that the work can properly be presented, displayed and handled.

• JUDGING. All artists must bring their completed work and easels to Sonnenberg’s Carriage House, where judging will take place. Event staff will assist participants in setting up their easels for the Community Paint Out Exhibit and judging. THE ARTIST, WITH HIS OR HER COMPLETED ARTWORK, MUST BE IN PLACE BY 1:30 pm or HE OR SHE WILL BE DISQUALIFIED. Judging will occur between 1:30 and 2 pm.

• WINNERS: Paint Out winners will be announced at 2 pm.

• EXHIBITION AND SALE. All Paint Out artwork must have a title and price, as designated on tags provided for the competition, and is eligible for sale if desired by the artist. The exhibition and sale will conclude at 4 pm.

• SALE RESTRICTIONS. The proceeds from any sales will be a 60/40 split with the Ontario County Arts Council (OCAC), which sponsors this event, with 60% to go to the artist and the remaining 40% to the OCAC. The event staff will handle the sale of all artwork. Any artist who sells his/her artwork on the site to avoid commission will be banned from future events. NY State Sales Tax will be added to the price of all artwork that sells, which is collected by
the event staff. There will be event staff on hand to accept payment including payment by credit cards. The artist must provide his/her Social Security Number or Federal EIN for any sale over $600.

- **DISQUALIFICATION.** The OCAC and representatives of the Finger Lakes Plein Air Competition and Festival reserve the right to disqualify works deemed objectionable. They also reserve the right to disqualify any entry that does not adhere to the rules and guidelines of the competition. All decisions of representatives of the Finger Lakes Plein Air Competition and Festival at Canandaigua will be final.

- **PUBLICITY:** Images of registered artists and any work that are entered into the competition, as well as any “action” images taken in the field, may be used by the OCAC and representatives of the Finger Lakes Plein Air Competition and Festival at Canandaigua for publicity purposes for future competitions without prior approval.

- **LOSS/DAMAGE/INJURY.** The participant recognizes and agrees that neither the OCAC nor any individual or entity associated with the Finger Lakes Plein Air Competition and Festival at Canandaigua can be held responsible for any loss, theft or damage to any artwork and/or personal property that may occur in connection with this event, nor for any injuries of any kind that may occur in connection with this event.

**QUESTIONS**

Contact the Pat Rini Rohrer Gallery at (585)394-0030 or email info@fingerlakespleinair.com

*Good luck to all participants!*