

ARTISTS PAINT OC COMPETITION PROSPECTUS

Dates: August 9-13, 2023

Location: Ocean City, MD and surrounding area

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| Awards: | 1st Place - \$2,500 | Best Use of Light - \$150 |
| | 2nd Place - \$1,000 | Best Maritime - \$150 |
| | 3rd Place - \$500 | Best Hospitality - \$150 |
| | 3 Honorable Mentions - \$100 each | Best Nocturnal - \$150 |

Awards made possible by the Art League of Ocean City, Peter Glenville Foundation, Maryland State Arts Council, and private donations.

Limited Competition: Competition will be limited to 50 artists, age 18 or older, on a first-come basis.

Juror: Laura Era is an award winning, professional portrait and landscape artist. Basically self-taught, she considers herself an artist since the cradle. Since turning professional in 1988, she has painted multitudes of portraits on commission, both formal and casual, in oil and pastel. Her works hang in collections throughout the US and Europe. A gifted painting instructor since 1990, she teaches from her waterfront studio near Cambridge, MD. She is a member of the Portrait Society of America, the Maryland Society of Portrait Painters, the Maryland Pastel Society, the Working Artist Forum, and the Academy Art Museum. Laura is the owner of the prestigious Troika Gallery in Easton, MD.

Limitation on Entries: All paintings will hang for display and sale at the Wet Paint Sale event and be eligible for competition prizes. Each artist will have one side of a 36" W x 72" H standard panel to hang their artwork. The juror will select pieces to hang in the main gallery through September 30th. If sold, artists may select a replacement piece to include in the exhibition. Artwork not accepted into the competition will hang in the classrooms through Sunday August 13th. All work must be two-dimensional medium and completed "en plein air" on pre-stamped paper or canvas. There is no limit on the number of canvases or paper to be stamped and they may be evenly pre-toned in one color. All work, other than gallery wrapped canvas, must be properly framed. If the painting is on gallery wrapped canvas, the edges must be painted and dry. All work must be wired and ready to hang when delivered to the Ocean City Center for the Arts.

Commission on Sales to the Art League of Ocean City: 30% on all sales. All sales from the Plein Air event, including Quick Paint and the main gallery exhibit at the Ocean City Center for the Arts, must be handled by the Art League of Ocean City.

Artists Must Agree to:

- Paint within the specified areas during August 9-13, 2023.
- Deliver and hang completed work at the OC Center for the Arts Saturday before 1 pm. Artists are asked to leave for judging of the artwork and should return at 4pm for announcements prior to the Wet Paint Sale.
- Pick up any work unsold in the Galleria exhibit on Sunday Oct 1st or Monday Oct 2nd (by appointment) or arrange for shipping at your own expense, providing packaging material and a prepaid label. Artwork not picked up within 3 months will become the property of the Art League of Ocean City.
- Allow images of artwork to be used by the Art League of Ocean City for publicity purposes.
- Hold harmless the Art League of Ocean City for any personal injury or property loss or damage regardless of the cause.

Artists Are Encouraged to:

- Attend the Welcome Reception, August 9th.
- Participate in the Quick Paint competition on August 13th (\$650 in cash prizes will be awarded)

QUICK PAINT COMPETITION RULES

Dates: August 13, 2023

Location: Downtown Ocean City (painting) and OC Center for the Arts (sale)

Awards: 1st Place - \$300

2nd Place - \$200

3rd Place - \$100

1 Honorable Mention - \$50

Awards made possible by the Ocean City Development Corporation.

Judge: Laura Era

- 8-8:30 am – Artists check-in in front of Thrasher’s Fries on the boardwalk and get paper/canvas stamped. Onsite registration available.
- 9-11 am – Artists paint against the clock in the downtown area – from beach to bay and inlet to N. Division St.
- 11 am – Cease painting and return to the OC Center for the Arts to set up artwork for judging and sale.
- 12:30 pm – Judging of artwork.
- 1pm – 3 pm – Off-the-easel art sale, with live music and mimosa cash bar.
- Award winning pieces are invited for display at the Arts Center through the September 30th.

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Please direct any questions to Gallery Director Katie Brown at katie@artleagueofoceancity.org or by calling 410-524-9433.

REGISTRATION FORM

Artists Paint OC – A Plein Air Event August 9-13, 2023

Applicants must complete the following entry form and enclose a check payable to the Art League of Ocean City. The completed application and check can be mailed to P.O. Box 3503, Ocean City, MD 21843.

Registration may also be completed online at www.artleagueofoceancity.org with a credit card or by calling 410-524-9433. Registration opens on April 1, 2023 and will be filled on a first come, first-served basis.

Registration fee is non-refundable.

\$50 for Art League members/ \$65 for non-members (includes the main event and Quick Draw competition)
\$25 members/ \$30 non-members for Quick Draw only.

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

_____ **\$50 Plein Air** (member)

_____ **\$65 Plein Air** (non-member)

_____ **\$25 Quick Draw Only** (member)

_____ **\$30 Quick Draw Only** (non- member)

Payment by Credit Card: ___ VISA, ___ MASTER CARD, ___ DISCOVER ___ AMEX

Card Number: _____ **Expiration Date:** _____ **Security Code** _____

Name on Card: _____

Address (if different than artist's address below) _____

Artist's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Website: _____

By entering the Art League of Ocean City (ALOC) Plein Air event, I affirm that I understand the terms and conditions outlined in the prospectus. I understand the ALOC will not be responsible for bodily injury or loss or damage to artwork regardless of the cause. I also agree that images of work that I enter into the competition may be used by the ALOC for publicity purposes. If this box is checked, I do not give the ALOC permission to list me as a participating artist, including listing my email address.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____