

Paint St. Tammany!

A Plein Air Paint Out!



RULES AND INFORMATION

Paint St Tammany! A Plein Air Paint Out! is organized by the Lacombe Art Guild to bring together like-minded artists in the beauty of St. Tammany Parish. This is hopefully the beginning of a fantastic annual event, and we are happy that you have chosen to join the fun!

During the week of the event, we will provide you with detailed maps and information about the locations that we have chosen. We will have water, information, and restroom facilities near the designated locations, but you should feel free to paint wherever you would like to in St. Tammany Parish. We are also planning for a few 'rain out' locations, but we really hope we won't need them!

There are a few 'Rules' intended to make the event flow smoothly: they are in bold letters in this document. You will mostly find some fairly lenient and practical information within.

Registration

- Online registration and payment **must be completed by Monday, April 7, at noon.**
- **Only 25 artists will be accepted** to participate, based solely on the date and time that they complete their registration. So, sign up early!

Check In

- On Thursday morning, please check in at the central location on the lakefront. Unfortunately, we cannot have our canopy up on the lakefront, but we will clearly show where our team will be in the information sent out the week of the event.
- Your goodie bag will contain your name tag, which you should wear throughout our three-day event, your lunch coupons, and information about the locations.

Painting Locations

- Please park in legal spaces.
- Please respect private property, especially if you choose to venture elsewhere, or paint at a different time. Although most are in public areas, some painting locations may be on private property.
- We will set up a central spot where our volunteers will be available to provide water and directions.
- We will make location maps available the week of the event. They will show the locations of our volunteers, the restroom facilities, lunch, and some views from different painting locations.
- Each central location will have restroom facilities, and we will have a few 'rain out' options that we hope not to use!
- Feel free to paint anywhere in St. Tammany Parish, just let us know where you are going to be. We know some folks like to go to the same place a few times to finish a painting. Also, we are pretty sure that there will be some scenes that individuals do not really want to paint. And of course, painting at six locations in three days really is a lot.

Lunch

- Lunch is scheduled from 12 noon-2 pm each day.
- We have arranged for lunch to be provided each day at a location close to where we will be painting.

- These restaurants have provided a limited menu that we hope you will enjoy. Your entry to our event provides you with a meal from the limited menu and a fountain drink or tea.
- Three lunch coupons will be provided at the event check-in. You must check in with our volunteers when you arrive for lunch and then give the proper ticket to your wait staff.
- If you would like to order additional items or something not on the limited menu, it will be at your own cost.
- If you plan to skip lunch, please let us know so we don't worry about you!
- Please feel free to tip your wait staff, and to thank them and the management for supporting our event.

Optional Evenings

April is a busy time in St. Tammany Parish! We have included a few evening activities on our schedule, thinking that you might enjoy them. But rest assured, if you want to rest and skip these, it is your choice.

- Thursday Night, Rockin' the Rails at the Covington Trailhead will feature The Boogie Men (a local band), food trucks, and fun from 5:30-7:30 pm. We will be in Madisonville that day, about 7.5 miles and a good bit of traffic away from this event.
- Friday Night, Ron Blitch's annual En Plein Air Opening Reception is from 6-9 pm at the Abita Springs Trailhead. This location is where we will be for Phil Sandusky's Demo on Friday afternoon. He, and many other St. Tammany area artists will have their work in this exhibit, and it is always excellent.
- Saturday Night is Spring for Art in downtown Covington. This event brings a fun-loving St. Tammany crowd out every year, for art, music, drinks, and food. It is a three-block long block party, and we will have our Wet Paint Sale at this event, right in the midst of the fun!

Wet Paint Sale

- We will show and sell your work under a 10' x 20' canopy with our display panels, on the southwest corner of Columbia and Gibson Streets in downtown Covington.
- We hope that everyone will show some of their artwork created during the event! You are not required to hang any or all of your paintings, but we do hope that you will.
- **Bring your paintings, ready to hang, between 5:00 and 5:45 pm.**
- There are no requirements for framing or the depth of the artwork, except that it can be hung.
- Paintings may be marked not for sale (NFS) if you would like.
- We will have tags available for you to list the title of the painting, your name, the size, and the price, or you can bring your own cards.
- The Lacombe Art Guild expects a donation of 20% of the sales price for anything sold in the Wet Paint Sale.
- We encourage you to stick around the sale area for the evening. Be sure you pick up your painting(s) around 9:00 pm or arrange for someone to pick them up for you.
- **All artwork must be collected by 9:15 pm at the latest.**

Helpful Hints

- **If you are not familiar with plein air painting**, many helpful resources can be found online.
- In addition to your painting supplies, you may want to bring:
 - **Sunscreen, a hat, a folding chair, an umbrella**, or other item for shade
 - **Bug spray**, since it is south Louisiana
 - **Snacks** (although we will provide lunch!)
 - **A bag or container** for your trash

And finally, **thanks to our sponsors!**

