

2020 Clayton – **1000** Islands Plein Air Artist Competition

Wednesday August 19 – Saturday August 22

Invitation to Artists

River Muse, Art Gallery & Studio will present the *Clayton - 1000 Islands Plein Air Artist Competition* Wednesday August 19 to Saturday August 22. This event is limited to 30 plein air artists, on a first-come first serve basis. The first 30 registering artists will be accepted. Artists registering after 30 will be placed on a waiting list.

There are some important changes in this years event including expanded painting limits, and addition of Wednesday to painting schedule. Please read below for addditional details.

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AWARDS

1st Place: \$250.00 2nd Place: \$150.00 3rd Place \$100.00 Honorable Mention \$50.00 People's Choice Award; \$25.00

River Muse Art Gallery & Studio is proud to join our artists in support of our community!

Portions of proceeds from event entry fees artwork sales will benefit the DePauville Public Library, and the Hawn Memorial Library.



2020 Clayton – 1000 Islands Plein Air Artist Competition Guidelines

This competition will follow currently accepted plein air guidelines for national level plein air competitions. The following guidelines have been established to make participation in this year's event both enjoyable and fair to all.

- 1. <u>Registration</u>. Artists may register by mail or at River Muse Art Gallery & Studio during regular business hours, until 5PM Friday August 21, until all 30 painting slots are filled. Mailed entry forms must be received by Saturday, August 15.
- 2. <u>Artist Sign-ins</u>: Artists must sign in and have canvases stamped at the registration station, 229 John Street, Clayton, at River Muse Art Gallery & Studio during the following hours:
 - Tuesday August 18. Early registration 5PM 7PM.
 - Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, August 19-21: 8am 5pm: Sign-in, stamping of canvases, review of event guidelines. Once registered, artists do not need to sign in daily thereafter.
- 3. Each canvas intended to be entered for competition must be completely bare, with no markings and shall be stamped by RMAGS on back at registration station.
- 4. Use of reference photos and reference material is discouraged, and artworks must be direct paintings of the scene before the artist.
- 5. Artists may sign their work prior to judging. Artworks must be framed, or gallery wrapped canvases, with suitable mounting wires on back for hanging.
- 6. It is the responsibility of the artist to provide suitable support mounting, packaging, and/or framing devices used to transport artworks sold to the satisfaction of the buyer.
- 7. A limit of three (3) completed artworks may be entered for final judging.
- 8. Only 2-dimensional artworks will be accepted. No photography or prints will be accepted.
- 9. Maximum framed outside dimensions of artwork, including framing: 36" height, 36" width.
- 10. All artworks must be completed in an outdoor setting within the limits delineated on the area map provided herein. This range generally runs from US Interstate Rt. 81 at the 1000 Islands Bridge to the north, to Cedar Point State Park to the west, to the Village of DePauville to the south. A detailed map showing approved painting locations will be supplied to each artist at registration.
- 11. A special Plein Air boat charter is scheduled on Friday August 21 for artists to paint on Round Island from 9AM 4PM. See registration for for additional details and fee.
- 12. In the event of inclement weather, artists will be notified of alternate protected painting locations.
- 13. It is the responsibility of the artist to secure permission to paint on private properties, if not listed as an approved Art Spot.
- 14. All artwork intended to be entered for judging shall be brought to the registration station, 229 John St., from 11am 1pm. Saturday, August 22
- 15. Judging will take place 1:00pm 1:45pm. Artists and spectators are not allowed within the display tent during this period. Award winners will be announced at beginning of reception at 2PM.

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- 16. All artwork entered for judging must be considered for sale, at a minimum opening bid price of \$50 or higher at the discretion of the artist, and/or, the highest price bid at the official closing of bidding 3:00pm Saturday, August 24. Artists may choose a percentage of their sale of one selected artwork to benefit the DePauville Public Library and Hawn Memorial Library, Clayton.
- 17. Sale of Artwork: All sales of artwork entered for judging shall be processed by River Muse Art Gallery & Studio. All artwork sold is subject to an 8% sales tax. Artists will receive 70% of the sale price, minus any pledged percentage to the DePauville and Hawn memorial Libraries, mailed to the artists' listed mailing address, upon clearance of funds by River Muse Art Gallery & Studio.
- 18. Silent Auction: Any time during the event bidders may enter a bid at the artists' work station on clip board provided. All artworks must have a minimum opening bid of at least \$50.00. Final bidding will take place during Awards Reception on Saturday, from 2:00pm 3pm, when winning bidders will be notified.
- 19. Upon notification of winning bid, buyers will process the sale of the purchased artwork at the River Muse Art Gallery & Studio checkout desk. See Sale of Artwork item 16 above.
- 20. Unsold artworks: Artworks with no bids will be made available at a price set by the artist from 3:00pm on until 5pm, closing hours of River Muse Art Gallery & Studio. All unsold artworks at that time must be removed from the gallery by the artist. Any artwork left at the gallery after closing shall become the property of River Muse Art Gallery & Studio, unless special arrangements are made via artist/buyer.

21. Important Dates:

<u>Saturday August 15.</u> Deadline for receipt of <u>mailed</u> entry forms from the Clayton NY USPS Post Office. Artists may register upon arrival at event up until 5PM, Friday, August 21. The first 30 artists registering will be accepted.

Tuesday August 18. Early sign-in and canvas stamping at registration tent. 5pm-8pm.

Wednesday August 19 - Friday August 20: Sign-in, and canvas stamping. 8am – 5pm.

Friday August 21, 5PM-7PM: Artist's reception under the tent. Provided by River Muse Art Gallery & Studio.

<u>Saturday August 22, 11am – 1pm.</u> All completed artworks brought to registration tables at RMAGS. Deadline is 1pm. Any artworks arriving beyond 1pm will be rejected.

<u>Saturday 1:00 pm – 1:45pm</u>. Final judging. All artists and spectators must vacate the artwork display area at this time.

<u>Saturday 2pm - 3pm</u>. Awards announcements, and public reception. Final artwork bid period.

Saturday 3pm. Bid period ends. Artwork bid winners notified.

GALLERY CONTACT & OPERATING HOURS

River Muse Art Gallery & Studio 229 John Street, Clayton NY 13624 Phone: 315-285-5162 Hours: Wed, Thurs, Fri., Sat.: 11am – 5pm Sunday 12pm – 3pm





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2020 Competition Judge:

Kirk Larsen is an award winning nationally recognized plein air painter from Hicksville, NY.

Kirk Larsen is presenting a special Plein Air Workshop in Clayton during our event week!

All artists are welcome to register for Kirk's class, which is scheduled for Tuesday August 18 and Wednesday August 19. Intermediate knowledge of plein air painting is requested. Please complete the form provided with payment to River Muse Art Gallery & Studio.

This workshop is limited to 15 artists. Please note that artworks completed during the Kirk Larsen workshop cannot be entered for judging in the Plein Air competition.





Clayton's tradition of charm and hospitality began more than a century ago when the Thousand Islands region was the playground of the nation's wealthy and powerful. Now that tradition is embraced by a new generation of visitors A tradition we invite you to experience first hand. Come and soak up the small town atmosphere. You'll find quaint shops and galleries, nationally known museums, and outdoor activities ranging from fishing to diving, kayaking, to hiking, all within walking distance. For accommodation information call the Clayton Chamber of Commerce 315-686-3771 or info@1000islands-clayton.com.

And of course, the Clayton Chamber of Commerce, and our River Muse Art Gallery & Studio are on Facebook!





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Please completely fill out the registration form attached herein. If registering by <u>mail</u>, registration form & payment must be received by Saturday, August 15, 2020.

ARTIST REGISTRATION FORM

Registration at Plein Air tent ends Friday August 21, 5PM.	
Mail or hand deliver this form to: River Muse Art Gallery & Studio 229 John St., Clayton NY 13624.	
Artist Assigned No. # (RMAGS will assign)	
Name:	Tel. ()
Address:	
City State Zip Code	2
Plein Air registration entry Fee only: \$30 (Do not pay if taking wor	kshop) \$
Friday August 21 Plein Air Boat Charter to Round Island 9AM-4PM (includes box lunch from The Scoop Restaurant) Fee \$20	\$
Kirk Larsen Plein Air Workshop includes \$30 plein air entry fee. \$225 before July 1, 2020, \$250 after July 1, 2020.	\$
Total Amount Paid:	\$
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Artists may select one entered artwork to pledge a percentage of s. Memorial Library a	
Artists' Reception Friday 5 PM-7PM, River Muse Art Ga	llery & Studio. – Free to registered artists and one guest.
If artists DO NOT wish to have either themselves, or their artworks	photographed, initial here:
Event Contacts:	
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Thank You, and we hope you enjoy your stay in beautiful Clayton, New York!