



ARTIST INFORMATION

Following is event information to help guide your participation in Paint Laurel:

ITINERARY

Friday, 8 MAY

- 5:30 p.m. Artist check-in opens in Janosik Park (@ check-in tent; 216 E. Front St.)
- 6:00 p.m. Artist Dinner/Reception in Janosik Park (Jonathan's Delights is back to once again serve delicious BBQ @ artist reception tent; additional guests will be charged \$10/ea.)
- ~7:00 p.m. Tour of Laurel historic district and nearby attractions aboard a painted watermelon bus
- 8:00 p.m. - ? Social time at artist reception area (weather permitting)

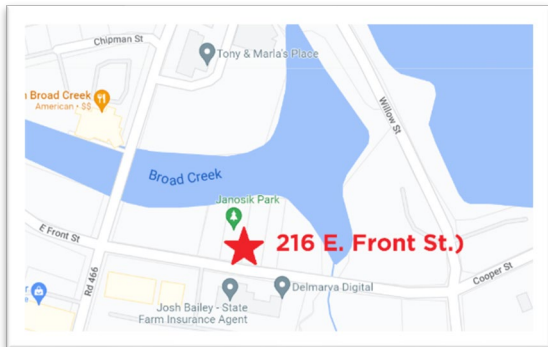
Saturday, 9 MAY

- 7:00 a.m. Artist check-in reopens in Janosik Park (coffee and donuts available); artists begin painting at selected location(s)
- 11:00 a.m. Painting period ends; artists return to Janosik Park (parking suggested along Front St.)
- 11:30 a.m. Art Walk/Wet-paint Exhibit commences
- 11:45 a.m. Artist Luncheon in Janosik Park
- 12:30 p.m. Judging begins
- 1:00 p.m. Awards announcements
- 1:30 p.m. Art Walk/Wet-Paint Exhibit concludes

Artist Check-In

When you arrive in Janosik Park (enter 216 E. Front St., Laurel into your GPS system) on either Friday evening or Saturday morning, you will be greeted at the artist check-in tent by volunteers who will provide a custom tote bag. The contents of the bag will include a folder containing your name badge, the artist prospectus, an area map, an exhibit waiver, two(2) artwork labels and an artist's choice ballot. Also in the bag will be some goodies to help you enjoy your creative exploits

in Laurel. We ask you to please complete the exhibit waiver and return it to the check-in tent prior to the wet-paint exhibit.



Parking

There is ample free parking available on Front St. adjacent to Janosik Park. Also, at artist check-in, an [Artist Parking Pass for Trap Pond State Park](#) will be provided in your information folder. Please display this on your vehicle's dash, if you wish to paint on state park property. We kindly ask that you be mindful of private properties and do not block sidewalks or driveways, if/when you park to paint a scene

Area Map

A map of Laurel posted on the Paint Laurel web page ([Paint Laurel Plein Air – Reimagine Laurel](#)) and provided in your tote bag shows the area in which artists are encouraged to paint (it covers all of historic Laurel and numerous surrounding natural areas as well as farm lands). You will also be provided with a page that identifies private properties to which artists have been granted special access as well as other points-of-interest.

To help artists get a feel for the area, a tour of Laurel aboard an iconic painted watermelon bus will be hosted by knowledgeable guides on Friday evening following the barbecue dinner.

Fee Requirements

For those wishing to enter or park at properties managed by Delaware State Parks (Trap Pond, Trussum Pond, Bethel Church, etc.), the daily entrance fee is required. In-state= \$5; Out-of-state= \$10. Also, please display your event parking pass on vehicle dash, if you wish to paint on state park property.

Bathroom Facilities

A porta-potty will be available at Janosik Park both Friday and Saturday and the Laurel Public Library will also be open for artists after 10 am. on Saturday.

Meals and Hydration

Those wishing to get a jumpstart on the Paint Laurel festivities are welcome to join organizers for a barbecue dinner on Friday evening starting at 6 p.m. in Janosik Park. An artist reception tent with tables/chairs will be set up for your enjoyment. Food and soft drinks/waters are included in your registration fee. One(1) additional guest may join you at the cost of \$10/pp, if you RSVP'd as such.

While the art walk/wet-paint exhibit is underway on Saturday, a luncheon for artists will begin at 11:45A in the artist reception area. Again, this meal is included in your registration payment and one(1) guest may join you, if you RSVP'd as such.

Throughout Saturday's activities, a cooler with waters will be available in the artist reception tent.

Note: If you have dietary restrictions, please let me know in advance and we will have an alternative meal ready for you.

Wet-paint Exhibit/Sales

An art walk will give community members and collectors an opportunity to see the wonderful plein air artwork you created during Paint Laurel! Artists are permitted to display up to two(2) pieces in the wet-paint exhibit. Artists are permitted to sell ONLY the artwork they produce during the event. All artwork should be framed and wired. Artists are responsible for the manner in which they display their work during the wet paint exhibit (easels will not be provided). Numbered artwork labels will be provided in your event folder. Painters tape will be available at the artist check-in tent to affix your label(s).

A framing table will be provided for those who wish to use that space.

All sales are considered to be a private transaction between an individual artist and the buyer. As such, sales are at the discretion of each participating artist. There is **NO COMMISSION** retained for this event by the Paint Laurel Plein Air organizers.

Awards

Artists may submit up to two pieces painted during Paint Laurel for awards consideration. The following awards will be presented:

1. One Laurel- \$500 (best portrays Laurel's community pride/spirit)
2. Grand Old Laurel - \$500 (best depicts Laurel's rich history and tradition)
3. Great Things Come Naturally- \$500 (best features the Laurel area's nature-based assets)
4. Artists' Choice- \$300

Judging by a select group of community leaders will commence at 12:30. Judges will be placing rosettes on paintings recognized for awards. Winners will be given a cash prize during the announcement of the judges' decisions at 1 p.m.

Foul Weather Policy

This is a rain or shine event! However, it is our priority to ensure that artists and attendees are both safe and comfortable while at Paint Laurel. In the event that threatening weather materializes, please stop painting immediately and take cover in your vehicle or indoors, if possible. Please note that the itinerary may be adjusted to reflect a restricted schedule (e.g. no bus tour available).