

240421 BRA Main Sail Art Festival St Petersburg FL

Every year St. Petersburg host a extraordinary art festival. It goes by the name of Main Sail. This is a top-of-the-line high-end art festival. I have stated before that there is much talk that in the United States the artisan is a thing of the past. All you do is come to this festival to understand how wrong this, conclusion is.



The festival is laid out at Vinoy Park. It occupies a good portion of the open field. The variety of artisans that come to this festival is truly impressive. This is a must attend event if you'd like this type of venue.



There is every conceivable media and art form presented. There is everything from metal to wood, cloth to canvas and much in between. There is furniture and wall coverings of every conceivable variety, quality, and price.



Don't expect to come to this festival and breeze through in 45 minutes. This is not a flea market. You will be astonished at the quality of the artwork. There are vendors and artists here from all

over the United States and some from outside of the United States. Again, this is a signature event of its type.



There is something for every taste and every wallet. Honestly, some of these works go for many thousands of dollars and they look it. This would be a good place to come for someone with a deep wallet if they really wanted to decorate and show off their space at home. But there is plenty here for the average collector. There are many reasonable, high-quality arts and crafts as well as high-end collectibles.



Arts is something that is not passed along through the blood as is said of freedom. It must be taught. I have always been impressed with this fair in that it has a children's tent. In this tent, they have a competition that promotes and showcases children's art. They also have hands-on children's activities that can excite and bring out the artist in every child.



It never ceases to amaze me the creativity that some people have. And the true artist really does take rubbish or what you and I would consider trash and make it into a work of value. Much of what is displayed here are from simple materials, which are combined in a way that excites the imagination. That is art.



If you have a Florida home then this is also an excellent place to get your decor. There is lots here to consider. Florida themed artwork is predominant, and there are excellent media here of all types which promote and showcase the sunshine state.



I have always come here for unique gifts. Today I actually bought Christmas gifts for some of my family members. I also pre-bought my wife's Mother's Day gift. Of course I did the latter with consultation, so it was not much of a surprise, but I don't want a reverse surprise that would come with me trying to guess what my wife would want. But do come prepared and keep your eyes open. They really are unique, reasonable gifts here which are handmade. You will spend this much on Amazon and get something that is stamped out by a machine.



The attendance at these fairs is always high. There were plenty of people here by midday. Some years it is cooler than others and this year was a little warm but not bad. The attendance was excellent and that just adds to the excitement of the hunt for that unique gift or piece of art. You have the feeling that you need to buy it if not, someone else will come along behind you and snap it up. And this will happen.



You look at this contraption and of course you laugh. But I am fearful that if we put it in a public space and located a hidden camera that people would come along and try to get dollar bills out of this vending machine. So I am glad they actually did not try it. That would be most embarrassing.





A quick gift for today and an example of what I'm talking about is a handmade fan from Ghana Africa. The lady that was selling them is from New York City. They were beautifully made and \$14 each. My wife was quite impressed with it and will keep it for the future and it really works.





If you were looking for artwork on canvas or any other type of wall media, then this is the market for you. There are absolutely beautiful works of art. The colors range from pastels to bright shades of every conceivable color. The variety is just too great to even photograph. You really will be pleased if that is what you're looking for.



Parking? As they say in New York City; "forget about it;" parking will be at a distance away from the event. If you can ride bikes. If you can't, then you're gonna have to be dropped off and someone will have to take the car at least two or three blocks away to park. But do not miss this for a lack of parking. Uber if you can from a local restaurant where you can return to have dinner or lunch. This is well worth you attending. You will have a great time.



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