



WILMINGTON EN PLEIN AIR TO “MAKE” HISTORY

WHAT:

To commemorate the City of Wilmington’s 275th anniversary, artists from all over North Carolina will meet in Wilmington for one week in September for a citywide *plein air* event. Easels will dot our historic cityscape as artists create original artwork of Wilmington’s historic landscape and buildings.

Plein Air (open air) paintings are executed outdoors. Both painter and subject must be outdoors, and photographs are not used. The event is open to any artist who uses oil, watercolor, acrylic, pastels, pencil, or pen/ink.

WHERE:

The paint out will be held from **September 21-26, 2014** within Wilmington city limits. The artwork will be available for purchase in an open air gallery during the 275th commemorative program, **September 27, 10-2 p.m.** in and around the Coast Guard parking lot on Water St. in downtown Wilmington. Thalian Hall Ballroom will serve as the rain location.

ENTRY FEES:

The entry fee for the juried competition is \$27.50. There is no fee for non-juried participation.

AWARDS:

Cash prizes will be awarded to: Best of Show - \$1000; Second Place - \$500; and Third Place - \$250.

THE JUROR:

John Beerman is a painter whose work has been exhibited nationally and internationally. He attended the Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture and earned a BFA from the Rhode Island School of Design. Beerman has received numerous awards and fellowships including the Pollack-Krasner Foundation Award and the Yaddo Artist Colony Fellowship. His work is represented in many museums including The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York; the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston; and the Whitney Museum of American Art, New York. He has completed several public commissions including a mural in the Craftsteak restaurant at the MGM Grand, Las Vegas and recently an eighty-five foot mural in the I.M. Pei designed Milstein Family Heart Center, New York Presbyterian Hospital in New York City.

John Beerman lives in Hillsborough, North Carolina.





RULES FOR THE EVENT:

1. Artists may paint any subject/scene outdoors, as long as it within Wilmington city limits. The sites must be accessible to the public and should not impede pedestrian or vehicular traffic.
2. All canvas/panels/paper will be stamped PRIOR to painting. NO unstamped art will be accepted for judging. An unlimited number may be stamped but only one can be submitted for competition.
3. Registration will be held September 21-26, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the Arts Council of Wilmington & NHC, 221 N. Front St., Suite 101. Pre-registration is encouraged by sending the attached form and entry fee (if applicable), postmarked by September 15, 2014. Artists must still have their substrate stamped the week of the event.
4. Each work of art must be started and completed *en plein air*, with nothing pre-painted or pre-drawn.
5. The size of unframed art work is not to exceed 18" x 24".
6. The artwork must be for sale. The Artist must agree that 30% of the sales price shall go toward the purchase of a commemorative gift to the City of Wilmington. The monetary transaction for each artwork sold will be handled by the Arts Council. The state's 7% sales tax will be added to the price of each painting that sells. Artists must provide their Social Security Numbers or Federal EINs for any sale over \$600.00.
7. Artists under the age of 18 must include a consent form from a parent or guardian to be eligible to participate.
8. Artists must provide their own materials and a sturdy easel for display during the judging process. Artists, or artist-designated representative, will be required to remain with their easels during the exhibition and will be responsible for the safety of their paintings. The Arts Council of Wilmington shall assume no responsibility for loss or damage to any work, display or person during this event.
9. After the judging, all participants must keep their entries on display until 2:00 p.m. This is an opportunity for artists to interact with people who will be viewing the art.





SUBMISSION AND JURY PROCESS:

1. Registration is required.
2. Paintings must be delivered to the judging site by 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 27, 2014. Event Staff will assist Artists in setting up their easels and artwork for the exhibition.
3. Each artist may submit one finished painting for the competition.
4. Each finished painting submitted must be signed on the front. Attach an index card stating the artist's name, hometown, title of the work, and price.
5. The "Plein Air Stamp" provided at registration must be visible on the back of each painting at the time of submission.
6. Paintings must be appropriately framed, mounted, and have a secure wire for hanging.

RIGHTS:

Entrant of the 275th Anniversary Plein Air Event understands that the Arts Council of Wilmington & NHC reserves the right to not accept paintings that do not fall within the contest rules.

Entrant acknowledges receipt of the rules governing the event and agrees that as a condition of being selected as a winner and accepting any prize, the Arts Council shall have the right to publicize and/or broadcast Entrant's name, likeness, voice, photographs and the fact that he or she was selected as well as the dissemination of other information related to the selection.

Entrant declares that the painting is his or her own work, and that the Entrant is not aware of any ownership of copyright infringement of another person through this submission.

To expedite the registration process, please pre-register or complete the following form and bring it with you!





ARTIST REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

MEDIUM: _____ LOCATION: _____

JURIED:

NON-JURIED:

The entry fee for the juried competition is \$27.50 and is due at the time of registration. Make checks payable to the Arts Council of Wilmington & NHC.

I have read the above rules and information and agree to those terms. I am 18 years of age or over.
_____ (signature)

I have read the above rules and information and agree to those terms for my son/daughter/legal ward
_____ who is under the age of 18.
_____ (signature and relationship to minor artist)

Printed Name _____ Date _____

Return to: The Arts Council of Wilmington, 221 N. Front St., Suite 101, Wilmington, NC 28401
Questions: 910-343-0998 or info@artscouncilofwilmington.org

FOR OFFICE USE	ARTIST NUMBER: _____ (Assigned at registration)
Fee Paid: _____	Cash _____ Check # _____
Credit Card Number _____	Exp _____
Billing Address _____	
Billing Zip Code _____	3 Digit Code _____
Signature _____	

