



Plein Air Coeur d'Alene

Art Competition and Exhibition

Sponsored by Art on the Green and the Kootenai Environmental Alliance

WHO: All artists 18 years of age or older.

WHAT: A plein air competition and exhibition for artists working in any painting medium, including watercolor, gouache, oil, acrylic, and pastel. Plein air translates to “open air,” and refers to work done outdoors, on location. Artists compete for cash prizes and awards, and may choose to offer finished painting(s) for sale.

WHEN: Painting window is July 21 - August 3, 2023. Exhibition is Friday, August 4 – Sunday August 6 at Art on the Green (located on the North Idaho College campus). Art drop off is Thursday, August 3.

WHERE: Artwork must be painted within the Lake Coeur d'Alene watershed, the geographic region where the rainwater drains into the lake. This includes both wilderness and urban areas. A wide variety of subject matter is available from landscapes to wildlife to cityscapes. Artists are encouraged to consider creative ways to represent the mission of Kootenai Environmental Alliance in their work.

WHY: There is a long history in the United States of artists working to promote the conservation and preservation of nature and wilderness. The efforts of artists such as Thomas Moran and Albert Bierstadt inspired East Coast audiences to fall in love with western landscapes such as Yellowstone and Yosemite, eventually leading to their protection as national parks. Kootenai Environmental Alliance and Art on the Green wish to recognize and honor this tradition by providing a venue for artists who work outdoors, from life, to exhibit their work and compete for cash prizes and awards.

HOW: Detailed information and rules are available online.

complete details at www.kealliance.org/plein-air-competition