

2026 Fairport Plein Air Community Paint Out Rules and Guidelines

What: Timed outdoor painting competition

Where: Village of Fairport, New York

When: Saturday, September 26, 2026

Who: Anyone registered

Check in: Check in is required, 8:30-9:00 am at Faircraft Brauhaus at The Cannery, Fairport, NY 14450.

Fairport Plein Air Rules:

All work must be completed 100% “en plein air,” i.e., outdoors, during the time of the Community Paint Out. **All blank canvases must be brought to check-in to be stamped at the time of check-in.** All painting must take place in the mapped area, which is within the boundaries of the Village of Fairport, NY. A competition boundary map will be provided to you at check in on Saturday.

Materials:

Fairport Plein Air participants are required to bring all materials necessary for their work to be completed (canvas, paint, water, brushes, easel, etc.) and a means for displaying their artwork. Canvas or painting surface may not exceed **18”x24”**.

Media: Oils, Acrylic, Watercolor, Pastel, or Mixed Water Media.

Starting/Stopping Painting:

Artists may choose their site and set up their equipment before the competition officially begins at **9:00 am**. Canvases may be toned, but the artists must start with nothing pre-painted or pre-drawn. Painting is to occur only between the hours of **9:00 am and 1:00 pm**. Canvas **MUST** be brought to check-in.

Ready-made Frame or Mat:

After completion, each painting **MUST** be able to be displayed on their easel (painting panels or canvases may be unframed which can be displayed on the artist easel safely). Watercolor or pastel should be matted, etc. so that the work can properly be presented, displayed, and handled.

Exhibit and judging:

Artists must bring their completed work and their easels to Faircraft Brauhaus **for check in and display instructions**. **ARTISTS MUST BE IN PLACE FOR AWARDS at 3:45-4:00PM OR THEY WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.** Event volunteers will assist participants in setting up for the judging and display. **Judging will occur from 2:00-3:00 pm.** Winners will be announced at 4:00 pm. The exhibition and sales will conclude at 4:30 pm. **THE ARTIST WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY OF THE ARTWORK DURING THE EXHIBITION.** All artwork and easels must be picked up by 5:00 pm. Those wishing to have their work included in our October display must deliver their work to Stony Point Art Studio by 5:00 pm. All artworks delivered to Stony Point *must be wired or have sawtooth hook* on the back for ease of hanging. *Watercolors/paper artworks must be framed.*

Sales:

All Fairport Plein Air artwork must have a title and a price, and will be eligible for sale at our afternoon exhibit at Faircraft Brauhaus. If the artist chooses, the artwork will also be eligible for sale at Stony Point Art Studio in October. Sales will be divided with 70% to go to the artist and the remaining 30% to go to the Fairport Public Arts Committee. All monetary transactions will be handled by event staff. The artist must provide their Social Security Number or Federal EIN for any sale over \$600.00 and complete a W9 form.

Disqualification:

The representatives of Fairport Plein Air reserve the right to disqualify any artwork deemed objectionable or to disqualify any entrant who does not adhere to the rules and guidelines of the competition. All decisions of representatives of the Fairport Plein Air will be final.

Loss/Damage/Injury:

All entrants recognize and agree that the Fairport Public Arts Committee or Fairport Plein Air or Fairport OCED or Faircraft Brauhaus or Stony Point Art Studio or NYS Canal Corporation, nor any individual or entity associated with the paint out, can be held responsible for any loss, theft, or damage to any artwork and/or personal property that may occur, nor for any injuries of any kind that may occur in connection with this event.

Photo Release:

By participating the event, artists acknowledge that photos and/or videos of themselves and/or their work may be used to promote future Fairport Plein Air events or shared online.

Good luck to all of our participants!