

PALOUSE PLEIN AIR RULES AND REGULATIONS:

Palouse Plein Air 2011 is a 3 day painting competition for artists 18 years or older. The competition this year will be September 29, 30, and October 1. On-site registration will take place September 28, 29, and 30 where participants will be able to have their painting surfaces stamped and dated for the competition. Registration will take place at:

Moscow City Hall – 1st Floor
206 East Third Street
Moscow, Idaho 83843

Palouse Plein Air Competition Fees and Information:

\$5 per painting surface (early bird registration – application mailed before September 16)

\$10 per painting surface (applications mailed after September 16)

All painting mediums are invited to participate. Participants may register as many painting surfaces as they like; the total cost for entry is determined by the number of finished paintings that each artist is submitting to the gallery for exhibition on October 1 (maximum of 3 works).

Unless otherwise stated, participants are to paint out-of-doors at any location within a 30 mile radius of Moscow, Idaho. Participants have the option to paint on all 3 days of the competition or any combination of the competition days. No use of electronic, pictorial or other aids are allowed. All work must be done on location by the solo artist. Image size is limited to 12" x 16" or less.

Competition Days:

September 29 (Thursday) – Rural

- Participants are able to select *any outdoor rural location* of their choosing within a 30 mile radius of Moscow, Idaho.

September 30 (Friday) – Artists' Choice

- Participants are able to select *any outdoor location* of their choosing within a 30 mile radius of Moscow, Idaho.

October 1 (Saturday) – Moscow's Urban Downtown

- Participants are able to select *any outdoor urban location* within Moscow City limits.

Gallery Exhibit:

Artist Reception and Sale

On October 1, from noon till 3 pm, participants are to deliver a maximum of 3 finished entries framed and ready to hang (wire hangers ONLY, please) to the Third Street Gallery:

Moscow City Hall – 1st floor
206 East Third Street
Moscow, Idaho 83843

Note to Artists:

Please wait to sign your works until after the Main Competition judging is finished; otherwise, all signed works will have the signature covered to avoid potential judging bias.

Main Competition Judging – October 1 (3-4:30 pm)

Palouse Plein Air 2011 judging: October 1, 3:00pm - 4:30 pm

Artists' Choice judging: October 1, 5:00pm - 7:00 pm

Peoples' Choice judging: October 21

Third Street Gallery Opening – October 1, 5:00pm -7:00 pm, open to the public at:

Third Street Gallery
Moscow City Hall
206 East Third Street
Moscow, Idaho 83843

SALES:

The City of Moscow will collect a commission of twenty percent (20%) of all gallery sales.

Artists will include the amount of 6% tax and commission in their sales price.

Check Out and Pick Up of Unsold Paintings:

PLEASE NOTE: Pick up unsold work and check out: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm November 7 and November 8. Paintings left after November 8 will have a \$10 storage and handling fee assessed for each week until the paintings are picked up (unless special arrangements are made in advance). Artwork left after December 5, 2011 will become the property of the City of Moscow.

Notes:

Don't forget your sunscreen, repellent, hat, and water, and perhaps an umbrella and tie downs with stakes for wind. We don't wish to see any badly sunburned artists. Ear plugs or music are helpful if sightseers bother you while you are working. Be aware of safety, traffic, and regard for private property. Be prepared for changing weather. It is usually sunny and beautiful, but you never know with plein air!

Moscow Arts Commission reserves the right to determine suitability of all painting subjects shown in the Palouse Plein Air exhibit.

Purchase Awards amounts: Please be aware that the purchase awards may be higher or lower than the artists posted sale price. **Artists may opt-out of competition during registration and show their Plein Air paintings for sale, only.** Winners agree to exchange their winning entry for the MAC-determined award amount. Keep in mind that one advantage is no commission taken on winning paintings purchase awards.

“Gallery Wrap” canvases are allowed; however, artists BEWARE that wet paintings without frames are at much greater risk for damage than framed art.

All art works will be submitted, handled and exhibited at the full liability of the artist. Use sturdy framing and hanging materials and methods. Wire hangers ONLY. Please note that the Moscow Arts Commission staff will take utmost care of handling all art works.

In order to participate in this event, each artist shall sign a release form and waiver of liability for participation in the competition, the exhibit, and for exhibition of works of art (including a waiver for theft, damage, injury or accident). Artists shall assume full responsibility for their personal conduct, well-being, and safety during all aspects of this event.

Artists shall release the City of Moscow to use photographs and/or video of them and their exhibited art works, for future publicity and promotional purposes without copyright, use fees, or charges.

The artist of the professional 1st place winning entry and/or for any City purchase award shall release rights of the painting for City of Moscow reproduction, fund raising, future publicity and/or promotional purposes.