



14th Annual
PAINT HISTORIC WAXAHACHIE!

PRE-PAINT
April 13 – May 12, 2019

OFFICIAL PAINTING PERIOD
MAY 17 – MAY 26, 2019

Sponsored by:
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INFORMATION AND GUIDELINES

Welcome to Waxahachie! This is an open, all inclusive paint out event. We accept any artist, all skill levels and “first-timers” are heartily encouraged! Our paint outs are a huge success with 20-year plein air veterans painting along with novices; every painting in the exhibition blends together beautifully and our patrons are generous with their purchases (no one asks how long the artist has been painting). If you’ve been considering participation in a “competitive” paint out, this is the best place to start. So, c’mon & join us....Enter online today!

***PRE-PAINT* BEGINS: April 13 and continues *DAILY through May 12, 2019**

***PRE-PAINT* opportunity: Artists registering by April 1, may paint ANY day, ANYwhere in Ellis County from April 13 through May 12. For your painting to qualify for awards, it must be stamped! Bring your canvas, paper, etc. to ART on the Square for stamping during regular business hours: Tuesday – Saturday, 10-6, Sunday 1-5.**

OFFICIAL PAINT OUT PERIOD
MAY 17 - MAY 24, 2019

- **MAY 17-23: CHECK- IN 9am – 6pm, ART on the Square - Back entrance. Pick up Event Packet, name badge, daily itinerary, maps and “date stamp” your canvases. You will also receive the “Collector’s Guide to a Paint Out” – a quality souvenir program with participating artists’ bio’s, maps, things to do, places to visit, etc. in your check-in packet.**

A FEW RULES, DEADLINE & PAINT OUT WEEK ACTIVITIES:

DESIGNATED PAINT OUT AREAS

Painting can occur in the official areas as outlined in a map that you will receive in your check-in packet. The designated areas will include the historic downtown business district, Getzendaner city park, a 5-mile hiking/biking trail that runs from Getzendaner Park to downtown, driving/walking directions to private property and small “intimate” areas.

- **Competition artists are required to paint within Waxahachie City limits during the official paint out week.**
- **Artists are encouraged to paint in the historic downtown area:** You’ve painted for a month all over Ellis County....so during Paint Out Week May 17 – 26 you must paint within Waxahachie City limits. **PLEASE.....Appropriate permission must be obtained from private property owners, businesses, persons, etc... ..the landscaping surrounding homes in the various historical residential districts are magnificent & beg to be painted!** (Hint: a painting of someone’s home or flower garden is a sale waiting to happen!)
- To keep the awards competition fair for all, we ask that paintings submitted for awards be completed en plein aire....ON LOCATION, no studio “touch-ups”
- **“Turn in” deadline of 12:00 NOON Friday, May 24, 2019.** Only the paintings received by 12:00 noon. Friday, May 24 will be included in the judging. (additional paintings may be submitted for sale on Saturday & Sunday May 25 - 26)
- **Artists must check-in at first opportunity every day.**
- **Artists are not required to paint every day...however, We DO ask that the artist spend a minimum (2) days (or “sessions”) painting anywhere within official designated areas.**
- **Artist’s boards, canvas, paper, etc. must be date stamped prior to painting to be eligible for awards & exhibition (this includes paintings created during the “pre-paint!”)**
- Official Paint Out “Week”: **Friday, May 17 through Sunday, May 26, 2019**
- May 25 – 26, Artists paint on Courthouse Square & Downtown business district

TURN IN DEADLINE FOR JUDGING – NOON FRIDAY, MAY 24.

- **A maximum of 5 paintings** will be accepted for **awards judging May 24. PAINTINGS must be turned in by 12:00 pm noon Friday, May 24, 2019** to be eligible for awards. Space permitting, additional paintings will be accepted for the exhibition and sale on Saturday and Sunday

INVITATIONAL PREVIEW PARTY: Friday evening, May 24: 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

ART on the Square  113 W. Franklin St.

- Artists, Guests & Patrons Mixer & Preview Sale
 - Dinner Buffet - Awards Presentation
- **Artists paint on Courthouse Square & Downtown business district and help promote exhibition.** Artists may add paintings completed on this weekend to the exhibition. .

ART SALES & EXHIBITION:

- **Commission on sales - 35% benefiting Ellis County Art Association community art programs.**
- **All sales will be processed through Ellis County Art Association.**
- **We have a system in place for “off the easel sales”...We don’t want you to miss a sale in the event the buyer cannot attend the exhibition & sale.**
- **We encourage you to turn in your completed painting(s) daily...wet or dry... we will make every effort to show and sell prior to the Exhibition through press releases, radio public radio announcements, and two local bank marquees.**

- **Competition Paintings For Judging: All artwork must be presented in “GALLERY QUALITY” frames & ready to hang with screw eyes & wire (no sawtooth hangers)**
- **Gallery Wrap canvases: All sides must be painted.**
- **Paintings can not exceed 20” on the longest side.** (excluding frame)
- **Unframed, non-competition paintings will be accepted as space allows & can hang on the wire wall in the classroom.**
- **Saturday & Sunday May 25-26 Exhibition open to the public!**

INSURANCE:

Artist is responsible for insurance of the artwork. The Ellis County Art Association assumes no responsibility for theft, damage or liability

AWARDS:

- **Cash Prizes: Best In Show \$700, 1ST Place \$500, 2nd Place \$350, 3rd Place \$250.**
- **Merchandise Awards:** Estimated total value to exceed \$1000. Artists awarded honorable mention by the judge will receive merchandise certificates and products from Art Supply sponsors.
- **“This. Place. Matters” \$200:** Special award by Historic Waxahachie, Inc.
- **“Peoples Choice” \$100:** The public, sponsors, patrons, and media will cast votes.
- **“Artists Choice” \$100:** Artists vote for the best “body of work”.

FREE STUFF!

- **Coffee’s on! Free lunch and all the bottled water you can drink.** Ellis County Art Association at 113 West Franklin is open 9:00 am to 6:00 pm every day. Our kitchen is stocked with complimentary sandwich fixin’s, snacks, coffee & tea for artists and volunteers. Restrooms & WiFi.

PUBLICITY, PROMOTION

Chamber of Commerce, Conventions & Visitors Bureau, Downtown Merchants Association all support the paint out and will be promoting through local print & social media...FYI, many of the businesses encourage artists to paint in front of their store!

LODGING & OTHER INFORMATION:

Please make your lodging arrangements early. There are many lodging choices from B&B’s to Chain Hotels, rustic to luxurious. The best source for area lodging and camping information is through the Chamber of Commerce website: www.waxahachiechamber.com