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Artists Paint – Oct 1 – 8, 2025

Public Gala Reception Friday, Oct 10

Rules:

Each painting must be created on-site, within the event boundaries, in the true spirit of plein air painting. Minor adjustments or corrections only may be done in a studio to fix forms or colors.

A painting will be disqualified for judging if: the artist is found using an iPad or photos on their easel, the artist is standing outside the boundaries.

Painting period: Wednesday, Oct. 1 to Wednesday, Oct. 8 within the map boundary (**Note expanded boundary to include All of Sheboygan County**)

Special Business Interior PAINT-IN: Artists can submit one painting of an Interior of any business within the boundaries. Please provide a **drop cloth** for yourself if painting within a business interior.

Painting boundary in Plymouth and surrounding area: Counterclockwise Directions of outer boundaries- **East Boundary** is Lake Michigan Shoreline, **South Boundary** is Cty Rd K > Valley View Rd > Valley View Dr, **West Boundary** is Forest View Rd > Division Rd > Rusmar Rd, **North Boundary** is Cty Rd Q > Sheboygan Rd > County Line Rd back to Lake Michigan Shoreline. See Main Event Boundary Map

Registration:

- The first **45 artists** to register will be accepted. (Entry fees received over 45 artists will be refunded).
- **\$45 fee if postmarked before Sept. 22** (\$50 after Sept. 22nd) entitles artist to participate in the full event within the painting boundaries.

Check-In and Materials Stamping:

Painting materials **MUST** be stamped prior to starting to paint. Artists must fill out a federal W-9 form prior to the event or at registration. Locations and times below:

PLYMOUTH ARTS CENTER 520 E Mill St, Plymouth, WI 53073 (920-892-8409)

Oct 1, 2 & 3 – PAC Reception desk: 10 AM – 4 PM

Oct 4 – PAC Classroom 8 AM – 10 AM & **PAC Reception Desk** 12 PM – 3 PM

Oct 5 – PAC Reception Desk 12 PM – 3 PM

(NO STAMPING on Monday **Oct 6**)

Oct 7 PAC Reception Desk 10 AM – 4 PM, **Stamping and Painting Submission**

6:00-8:00 PM **Plymouth Arts Center Classroom**

Oct 8, Wednesday – Final painting submission, No exceptions: PAC Classroom
2 – 5 PM

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If you are unable to check-in at these times, please email danrizzifineart@gmail.com or info@plymoutharts.org to make other arrangements.

Materials

- media may include: oils, acrylics, watercolors, pastels and gouache.
- for dark colored materials, please paint a white patch to provide a legible stamping area.

Submissions

- each artist may initially submit **three (3) paintings**:
- **Framed Size may not exceed 30" length or width**
- **Maximum frame width:** 4 ¼ inches, **maximum mat width:** 4 inches (watercolors)
- Check-in stamp must be visible on the back of each painting
- Paintings must be signed, appropriately framed, mounted and securely wired for hanging

we reserve the right to refuse any improperly framed paintings, wrapped canvases, stained mats, alligator hangers

Pricing:

Paintings will be priced at the artist's selected "Starting Bid" for the **silent auction** that ends at 9pm on Oct 10. Artists will also select a "Buy it Now" (retail) price. Any purchases on Oct 10 **prior** to the end of the silent auction at 9:00 PM, will be sold at the selected "Buy it Now" pricing. Winning Silent Auction Bids will close at 9:00 PM. **(The "Buy it Now" pricing should be set higher)**

An Online Auction will be held following the October 10th Reception. The "starting bid" and the "buy it now" price, set by the artists, will be used for the Online Auction pricing. The online auction would end on Friday, November 7th, one week prior to the end of the show.

Commissions: The PAC will retain a **35% commission** on all painting sales. Artist payments will be mailed to the address provided at registration within 3 weeks following the sale.

Off-easel or post-exhibit sales:

Please respect the PAC for hosting this event, a **10% finder's fee on all off-easel or post-exhibit sales** is expected if painted during the event.

Funds may be given to the Plymouth Arts Center Event cashier at the gallery. Make all checks payable to: Plymouth Arts Center; mailing address: P.O. Box 253, Plymouth, WI 53073. Also, please provide the buyer's name and address, so we may invite them to the event in following years.

Judging: Thursday, Oct 9th

The judge for the main event is **Denise Presnell**, Art Professor.

Public Reception Party

Friday, Oct. 10 at 6:00–9:00 PM. (Artists Social/preview at 5:30 PM)

Awards: presented Friday, Oct 10 at 6:45 pm during the Reception Party

Best of Show	\$1000
2 nd place	\$ 750
3 rd place	\$ 350
Merit Award	\$ 100
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Sunshine Award

\$ 100

Merit Award (non cash)

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Each artist may win only one of the awards listed above, and only one award listed below. Best of Historic Town and Artists' Choice awards may be awarded to any paintings in the exhibit.

Best of Business Award

\$150

Best of Historic Town award:

\$ 150

Best of Fall Colors award:

\$ 100

Artist's Choice Award

\$ 150 Tallied and Announced at 8:30pm Oct 10

People's Choice Award

\$100 Tallied and Announced at 8:30pm Oct 10

Painting pick-up Extended Sale

For this event, we are displaying the Plein Air works in the Main Gallery 110 North for a month-long exhibit. The works will hang until Friday, Nov. 14. **Please pick up any unsold Artwork on Saturday, Nov. 15 from 10 am-2 pm.**

NO exceptions to these dates/times unless you email danrizzifineart@gmail.com or info@plymoutharts.org in advance to make other arrangements, or have another artist pick up your works. Abandoned paintings will be donated to the Plymouth Arts Center after one month after the close of the Nov. Exhibition date.

Liability:

Regardless of cause, the artist agrees to bear all risk and expense for any loss, theft or damage to their artwork or other personal property or injury to their person. The artist agrees to be responsible for insuring their artwork, all necessary shipping, and to abide by all rules set by the Plymouth Arts Center.

ATTENTION: There will be **Two Artist's Socials during the event:**

Saturday, October 4th 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm at City Club, 228 E. Mill Street, Plymouth

Wednesday, October 8th 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm at Racer's Hall, W4408 County Rd CC, Plymouth.