

Georgetown Plein Air

Friday-Saturday, August 2nd-3rd, 2019

The **Georgetown Cultural Arts Program** is pleased to present our second annual Plein Air event in vintage, picturesque Georgetown, Colorado. Just 45 minutes west of Denver along I-70 at 8,500 ft elevation, and part of **the Georgetown-Silver Plume National Landmark Historic District**, a charming town of colorful Victorian buildings ringed by mountain views, Georgetown has long been a favorite of artists. Registration and exhibition will be held at Georgetown Heritage Center, recently restored 1874 schoolhouse, at 809 Taos Street. Join us for this painting event in the summer mountain air!

Eligibility

All fine arts mediums are acceptable, using plein air technique. All artwork must be created outdoors on stamped canvas or other medium on August 2nd or 3rd within the defined boundary area. Although not a juried entry process, only qualified plein air artists are eligible for the exhibition and prizes. Plein air artists must submit a resume including exhibits and shows and three (3) images of plein air paintings in jpg format, or a link to a website displaying their work in this genre. Exhibit space is limited, the first 50 qualified artist applicants will be accepted, two pieces per artist.

Registration

Registration cost is \$35 non-refundable, application must be received by July 12 at 8pm. Late registration fee is \$45 and will be open until August 3rd if space is available. Price includes all payment processing fees. Apply by email to artschair@georgetowntrust.org. Send resume including exhibits and shows and three (3) images of plein air paintings in jpg format, or a link to a website displaying their work in this genre. Only requested attachments will be opened. Accepted applicants will be contacted by email. They must submit payment by check through mail or in person, or via credit card online or over the phone 303.569.0285 within 10 days of notification. Instructions will follow for online payment.

Event Schedule

February 1-July 12, 2019	Registration
July 13-August 3	Late registration, applications after July 12 subject to late fee
August 2 2:00-4:00pm	Registration
August 3 6:00-10:00am 3:30-4:30pm 5:00-6:00pm 6:00-8:00pm	Registration Submission of completed art ready for hanging Judging Opening reception
August 3 – 18	Exhibit and sale open to the public daily, 10:00am-4:00pm
August 18-19	Artist artwork pick up, or by appointment

Awards

Best of Show \$500
Best Historic District \$100
Best Train / Train Station \$100

Juror

Awards will be judged by Virginia Unseld.

Virginia Unseld's passion is painting the western landscape en plein air which she has done for 40 years. She has won many awards for her paintings including Aspen Plein Air, Boulder Plein Air, Central City Plein Air, Plein Air Artists of Colorado, Plein Air Artists of New Mexico, and Plein Air Colorado. Virginia is a former resident of Georgetown and taught art at the local high school for 23 years. She has juried and judged many regional shows. Her work and full biography can be viewed at virginiaunseldfineart.com.

Setting

During the event, artists may paint at locations of their own choice within the following defined area:

- Town of Georgetown
- Georgetown Lake
- Georgetown Loop Railroad, along the route and train station
- Town of Silver Plume
- Guanella Pass Road to Mt. Bierstadt

Exhibit and Sales

All artwork must be created outdoors on stamped canvas or other medium on August 2nd or 3rd within the defined boundary area. Canvases and other medium will be stamped upon in-person registration. All works must be framed and prepared for exhibit with wire hangers or suitable hanging device and be ready to hang. Up to two (2) paintings will be accepted from qualified participants.

This event is a fundraiser for the Georgetown Cultural Arts Program. GCAP will retain 40% of all sales. Commissioned pieces as a result of the exhibit will be subject to the same rate. Payment for all work sold will be mailed to artists no later than two weeks after the exhibit closing. Digital images of exhibited work may be used for publicity in future events.

Lodging

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About Georgetown Cultural Arts Program

Through the collaborative effort of many, the restored 1874 Georgetown schoolhouse opened in Fall 2015 as the **Georgetown Heritage Center**, a place to celebrate our past, exhibit and practice traditional crafts and fine arts, hear lectures, enjoy live performances and other leisure and educational activities, and hold meetings and conferences. **The Cultural Arts Program** has developed exciting programs to encompass traditional crafts, fine arts, music, drama, film and gardening. These art forms are presented through classes and workshops; exhibits; lectures; vocal and instrumental music concerts in many genres; movies; and occasional dance and drama performances. The Cultural Arts Program and Heritage Center are a part of the **Georgetown Trust or Conservation and Preservation, Inc.**, a Colorado non-profit, IRS 501(c)(3) corporation. A current schedule of events at the Georgetown Heritage Center and tickets are available online at georgetowntrust.org.

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