TUPPER LAKE PLEIN AIR FESTIVAL

2021 Festival Schedule

September 22, 2021: Registration: Artists who have registered online can begin painting anytime on Sept. 22, 2021. Due to the pandemic, artists will not need to get their canvasses stamped prior to painting. Everyone will be on the honor system to not begin earlier than Sept. 22nd. The Tupper Arts gallery at 106 Park St. will be open at 9am for those registering that same day. Information about locations to paint and maps of the area are available at the gallery. To prevent spread of disease, hand sanitizer will be available upon entering the building, and face masks are required of anyone entering the building. Social distancing will be practiced to ensure the safety of everyone in the building. Information about the region will be provided to artists who are not familiar with the area.

Sept. 22 – 24: Paint the Water: Artists have abundant views of Tupper Lake, Raquette Pond, Lake Simond, Bog River Falls, the Raquette River, Little Wolf, Gull Pond, Panther Pond and the wetlands that permeate the perimeters of the waterways through and around the town. The choices are spectacular and rich with colors and textures that are certain to inspire all Plein Air artists.

Paint the Town: Tupper Lake offers a variety of architectural structures, new and old, along with revitalized streets and storefronts that invite artistic interpretation. The gazebo at the municipal park, the Bandshell at Flander's Park, Beth Joseph Synagogue, the Oval Wood Dish factory buildings, and The Wild Center are all landmarks that add special touches that help define the history and spirit of the town.

Paint the Landscape: Tupper Lake is home to some of the most scenic views in the Adirondacks. From the top of Raymond hill on Route 3 entering Tupper Lake from the west, to the panoramic display of the Seward range behind L P Quinn Elementary School, to the spectacular views of Mt. Morris, home of Big Tupper Ski Area, from several locations along Raquette Pond, artists are rewarded with an array of Adirondack vistas.

Canvasses are encouraged to be turned in to the gallery as they are completed to facilitate the process of hanging the art. The gallery will be open for drop off until 6pm Wednesday, September 22nd through Friday, September 24th, and from 8-9am on Saturday, September 25th. We encourage all canvasses to be framed and wired for hanging. No sawtooth hangers, please. Wrapped canvasses will be permitted, with the appropriate wiring for hanging.

Show and Sale: September 25th from 10am – 5pm, & September 26th, 2021 from 10am – 5pm. Tupper Arts staff and volunteers will be on site to man the show and sale. A local Tupper Lake artist, will be judging the show Saturday morning. Awards of \$500, \$250, \$125, and \$125 will be given for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and "People's Choice" respectively.

Options for leaving art at the center: Artists are welcome to leave their unsold pieces with Tupper Arts to sell in their gift shop throughout the year, or for however long they want to leave the art at the center. **However, the gallery is only open for limited hours during the winter months, due to the pandemic.**