



## **About the Plein Air Festival**

The Hyde Collection is hosting a juried Plein Air Festival in collaboration with Plein Air Adirondack to coincide with its annual Community Day scheduled for August 12, 2018. The juried plein air event will take place August 9 – August 12. Participating artists will be selected by Guest Juror Ann Larsen.

The Plein Air Festival will begin with a presentation at 6pm on August 9 by our Guest Juror, Ann Larsen (selected plein air artists will receive free entry to this program), followed by two days of outdoor painting, including a nocturne painting invitation Friday, August 10 in downtown Glens Falls. The Plein Air Festival will conclude with an art show and award ceremony on August 12 during The Hyde's Community Day celebration.

Community Day is annual summer event in which The Hyde opens its doors and encourages the community to come together for a free day of fun with themed art activities to explore the Museum. The Hyde Collection is featuring exhibitions *Jane Peterson: At Home and Abroad* and *Woman Impressionists from the Thomas Clark Collection*.

Best in Show will be selected by Guest Juror Ann Larsen, OPA, AWAM, AIS. Additional awards will be presented to distinguished works in the following categories:

- Nocturne
- Waterway
- Streetscape
- Historic Buildings
- Outdoor Still Life

## **About the Guest Juror: Ann Larsen, OPA, AWAM, AIS**

Ann Larsen travels extensively throughout the year painting from Maine to California. She has been in more than seventy gallery and museum exhibitions.

Among the many awards Larsen has received are an Award of Excellence, Oil Painters of America, Eastern Regional 2016; Masters Signature Silver Medal, American Women Artists National Competition 2016; Best Landscape, American Women Artist National Competition 2017; and the Award of Excellence given by Quang Ho at the Paso Robles Invitational 2014.

Her affiliations include Signature Member Oil Painters of America, Master Signature Member American Women Artists, Signature Member American Impressionist Society, Signature Member Outdoor Painters Society, and Signature Member Rocky Mountain Plein Air Painters.

*Having done hundreds of sketches and paintings en plein air, I think the landscape process is more about what you don't say than what you do say. Working from nature is both exciting and challenging, but ultimately there is a dichotomy between painting and creating a work of art that hopefully my collectors respond to. I strive to simplify and strengthen my compositions. There is nothing more powerful in painting than a well-composed, reserved and solid statement. Such a painting can stir your soul and take your breath away.*



**Eligibility:** Open to all plein air artists

**Fees:**

\$25 application fee with the submission of three to five images representative of plein air artworks.

Please make checks payable to The Hyde Collection and mail to the attention of Jenny Hutchinson, The Hyde Collection, 161 Warren Street, Glens Falls, NY 12801.

Entry fees can also be paid in person at our front desk during The Hyde Collection's Museum hours from 10am-5pm, Tuesday through Saturday and noon-5pm on Sunday.

**Entry process:**

Online entry forms are available at [www.hydecollection.org](http://www.hydecollection.org) or by emailing Museum Educator Jenny Hutchinson, [jhutchinson@hydecollection.org](mailto:jhutchinson@hydecollection.org) to receive a direct link.

Please be prepared to list title, medium, dimensions, and year completed for each submitted artwork. Please list artwork dimensions up to the nearest inch without matting or framing.

**Images may be sent to [hydeeducation@gmail.com](mailto:hydeeducation@gmail.com). Before uploading your images, please make sure:**

- Images are at least 1MB in size but no larger than 2MB or no more than 1800 pixels on any one side.
- Label files in the following format: last name\_first name\_image number, Example: Doe\_Jane\_1
- Images should be cropped to the edges of the artwork and should not include matting or framing.
- Orientation of the images are right-side up
- Images can also be submitted by CD. Please send to the attention of Jenny Hutchinson, The Hyde Collection, 161 Warren Street, Glens Falls, NY. CDs will not be returned.
- Listing an artist's website is not a permitted form of image entry.

**Deadline to complete and submit the online entry form, entry fee, and images is Monday, April 30.**

**Lodging Transportation:**

Lodging and transportation is the responsibility of the artist. Plein Air Adirondack can assist artists with finding a lodging hosts but only as lodging hosts are available. Please note on the entry form if you may be interested in this option.

**Sales:**

Artworks can be listed for sale as part of the Community Day Plein Air Art Show. All sales must be handled by the artist and the artist will be responsible for reporting sales tax. Donations from the sale of the artwork to The Hyde Collection to support educational programming is at the discretion of an artist, donations from the sale of the artwork can be formally recognized as a tax deductible contribution.



## **Important Dates:**

April 30, 2018	All entry information, requirements, and payment due to The Hyde Collection
May 15, 2018	Notification of selection
May 30, 2018	Artist Agreements signed and returned
August 8 or 9, 2018	Check in at The Hyde Collection, 10am - 5pm. Painting may begin after painting surfaces are stamped.
August 9, 2018	Juror Lecture/Presentation, 6pm
August 10, 2018	Nocturne Painting in downtown Glens Falls, 6pm-9pm
August 12, 2018	Works Due to Hyde Collection, 10am Community Day Celebration and Art Show, noon - 5pm Award Ceremony: 3pm Artist remove artwork: 5pm