

Garden Soirée Juried Show Info

World Cup Changes to Stems: A Garden Soirée:

The one-night Garden Soirée sale at the Arboretum that usually takes place after our full month of painting has been temporarily moved to May 16th this year (and this year only). This change has occurred so it won't conflict with the World Cup schedule.

Since this one-night showing happens right in the middle of our painting schedule, we can't really showcase Stems Plein Air 2026 paintings for sale. So, we will be asking our registered artists to submit additional images, separate from our main event, of plein air paintings to be included in this one-night painting sale. From those submissions we will jury select paintings to be included for sale in the *Stems Garden Soirée* one-night show. Essentially this is a separate juried plein air one-night exhibition.

*Although participation in this show is not mandatory, we highly recommend your participation since we tend to have great sales on the night of the Garden Soirée!

Here's How to Participate:

Eligible paintings for this one-night show must be plein air paintings painted in the KC area anytime during 2025 to present. Again, these paintings are separate from the paintings created for Stems Plein Air Paint 2026.

- All submissions **MUST BE ORIGINAL PLEIN AIR PAINTINGS** painted from beginning to end on location. No studio work please. All original plein air painting styles are welcome.
- Each artist may submit a maximum of 3 paintings to the jury.
- A predetermined retail sales price must be provided by the artist for each painting submitted to the jury and cannot be changed after the fact.
- **The submission deadline is Monday, May 4th.**
- **Selections will be announced Wednesday, May 6th.**
- **Dropoff deadline to The Rice Gallery is Tuesday, May 12th.**

How to Submit Your Paintings:

- Email your painting submissions to **stemspleinair@sbcglobal.net**
- You can send all 3 of your painting submissions in one email if they will all fit or you can send each painting submission in a separate email if you so choose.
- Type your **Name** and **Garden Show Submission** in the subject line of your email.
 - If sending more than one email, please number each email in the subject line.
- Email a good quality image of each painting you are submitting in **JPEG format**.
- Include the following information in the body of your email for each painting you submit:
 - Artist First and Last Name
 - Title of Painting
 - Medium
 - Size in Inches (Height x Width of the unframed image)
 - Retail Price
- Please make sure it is clear which painting image is which if emailing more than one painting in a single email.
- We will reply with a single email to acknowledge the receipt of all of your painting submissions.