

Newsletter - JUNE 2020

Plein Air Paint-Out

Something fun to do while staying at home



Sasha Syssoeva

PLEIN AIR PAINT-OUT

There are many things to paint in your own yard. Prepare to win prizes and watch the time of day so you are ready to paint that special scene in the best light.

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NON PROFIT STATUS

Your Board of Directors worked for days with CPA Sean Patton on a IRS 501(c) 3 application that was sent last month. If awarded, we will be able to receive grant monies to proceed with activities not possible at this time. The idea gallery was conceived with non profit funds. We will notify our membership as we hear of any progress communication received.

GALLERY OPENS?

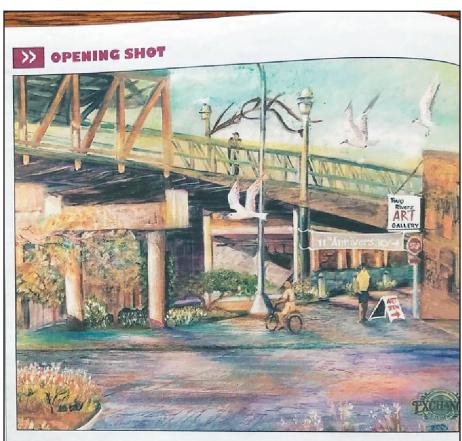
Two Rivers will open when the state gives small business the goahead. Masks may be required to be worn by docents. We hope those working have their own masks but the gallery may provide masks for a donation fee of \$1. When we reopen the Members Show will continue to the end of the month. The next full month will be dedicated to the Wenatchee Watercolor Society. If we can open in early July a prospectus will be sent out. We may not have First Friday receptions for several months.

THANK YOU to:

- Those who donate to the gallery. We may have a revenue loss of about \$3000 by July.
- To those who voted our gallery Best in the World. Two Rivers has been chosen best art gallery by its readers for several years. The Wenatchee World claims to have 30,000 in it's North Central Washington readership.
- To the Suttons who managed the Cottage Inn and have allowed many of our artists a chance to show a painting in their dinning area for many years. It is a venue we hope will continue if it opens again.
- To Jen Evenhus for designing our Plein Air poster.
- To Nicki Isaacson for suggesting a name for the event.
- To Brad Brisbine for speaking about the Paint-Out with KPQ Radio on "The Agenda" May 15th.
- To the anonymous person who donated the \$200 1st Prize.
- To Sasha Syssoeva for suggesting that we needed to have another outdoor event to liven things up.

THE GOOD LIFE PRESENTS . . .

The **Good Life Magazine** saw a gallery painting they wanted to place on their Opening Shot page. Editor Mike Cassidy asked us if they could use Terry Johnson's painting of the "11th Anniversary", a painting Terry started at a 2018 Plein Air event. We were asked to write about the painting. Cassidy said it is the first time the magazine placed a painting on the Opening Shot page. Check out the June Issue of the Good Life at ncwgoodlife.com



PAINTING CONTINUES TO FILL WITH LIFE

BY JAN THERIAULT

erry Johnson has a painting that is always in progress.

He first painted the uth Anniversary as he sat near the Apple Capital Loop Trail walking bridge at First and Columbia.

It was painted during the annual Plein Air Paint-Out in 2018 sponsored by Two Rivers Art Gallery.

At the time he turned the painting into the gallery for judging, it lacked a few details that have since appeared.

A year later, birds and a lady on a bike showed up.

This year the street became wet and a banner announcing the 11th Anniversary of Two Rivers Art Gallery was added. If Terry's painting doesn't sell soon, we may find it much different in a few months.

nth Anniversary by Terry Johnson can be seen at the Members Show as soon as the governor allows small businesses to open.

Terry is a potter as well. His pottery is often the unusual, sometimes conservative and at other times native American or even mystical.

You may have seen Terry painting a large sign on the side of a cold storage building or painting as part of a plein air paint-out.

Terry Johnson is truly a unique artist and perhaps could be called Wenatchee's Picasso. His work can be seen at Two Rivers Art Gallery in Wenatchee.

Jan Theriault is president and chairman of the Board at Two Rivers Art Gallery.

ON THE COVER

Kayaker and traveler Tom Potter stands on the rim of the Zambezi River where he kayaked last year. Victoria Falls is in the background.

About his exuberant hand signals, Tom said they are common in photos and are translated as "Hang Loose."

"It stems from surfing and generally means, 'Keep it relaxed' or 'Laid back.' It has carried forward into the generations and is a universal sign of 'Stoke' or 'Preparedness for a daunting task with full confidence," said Tom.

"In all reality, it is a reflex when someone says, 'Hey, let me take your photo in this cool place!' I suppose it is more exciting than just standing there."

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2020 "PAINT SOMETHING IN YOUR BACK YARD" PLEIN AIR PAINT-OUT

\$200 first place \$100 second place \$50 third place

June 20, 2020 6am - 4pm



Local artists are invited to paint in their own environment.

Focus on something in the yard. There are no restrictions as to what to paint.

It can be as small as an insect or as large as your car.

- Bring your canvas or paper (no more than 2) to Two Rivers Gallery 102 N Columbia. Stay in your car in front of the gallery on **Friday**, **June 19 from 6pm-8pm** for an official entry stamp on back side of the media.
- · Pay a \$20 donation entry fee (no early or late registration)
- Painting begins at your pleasure on Saturday, June 20, 2020.
- · All painting ends by 4pm
- Artist returns one painting to the gallery between 5pm and 6pm June 20
- · Entries will be judged by a committee of 5 artists
- Entries should be picked up at the gallery on Wednesday, June 24, 11am-1pm
- Winners will be notified and asked to frame their work for the July show. All winning paintings will be for sale at the gallery during July and if sold the gallery will retain a 30% commission.
- · Cash prizes will be awarded in July

The Plein Air Contest is an annual event of Two Rivers Gallery. Each year our focus is a landscape that has some significance to our life in the valley. This year we are all under a restrictive movement order and find ourselves at home most of the time. Let's take advantage of creative ideas to paint within our own living space.

Plein air painting is painting on location, outdoors, and started by the master French painters about 150 years ago and since has become very popular for artists to paint the grandeur of nature.

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