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## **Plein Air Painters of NM Host 2nd Annual ‘Jemez Spring Paintout and Show,’ April 26-May 1**

JEMEZ SPRINGS, NM—For the second year, the Plein Air Painters of New Mexico (PAPNM) will host a “Spring Paintout and Show” at various locations in and around the beautiful Village of Jemez Springs, New Mexico from April 26-May 1. An exhibition will follow, from May 4-23 with an opening reception and awards ceremony.

Plein air painting is a French word which literally translates "open air." New Mexico's love affair with plein air painting began with the Taos Masters, Santa Fe Cinco Pintores, Georgia O'Keefe and many more artists. There are currently 370 PAPNM members in the state.

“The paint out is open for up to 60 PAPNM members who will have an opportunity to paint together and reflect the beauty of the Jemez Valley in their paintings,” said co-organizer and artist Susan Vigil. “We invite art lovers to come up and watch the painters in action who want a sneak peek at the wonderful artwork that will be sold during our exhibition.”

The paint outs take place from April 26–May 1 at a different location each day - an approximately 35 mile radius from Jemez Springs - some locations which are rarely or never open to the general public. Those interested in painting who are not affiliated with PAPNM may first register as a member at [www.papnm.org](http://www.papnm.org) then sign up for the paint out.

A three-day “Perceptions of Light” workshop, taught by professional artist Barbara Coleman, will also be available for aspiring artists, April 23-25 for just \$350. The workshop is open to non PAPNM members and aspiring painters. Registration deadline is April 20.

An opening reception and awards event will take place at Jemez Fine Art Gallery on May 4 from 1-4 p.m., when the resulting artwork by the PAPNM members will be sold. At that time, 17 awards will be given to the artists.

The “paint out” locations encompass a 35 mile radius and include:

- April 26 - Jemez Historic Site
- April 27 - Jemez Pueblo (includes lunch and tribal presentation for PAPNM members)
- April 28 - Fenton Lake
- April 29 - Perea Nature Trail
- April 30 - Battleship Rock
- May 1 - Spanish Queen Picnic Site

No photos, sketching or painting are allowed on the Jemez Pueblo. Please observe signage and watch for painters along the roadside.

Complete information and registration forms can be found at: <https://www.papnm.org/2019-Jemez-Springs-Non-juried-Paintout-and-Show>. For additional information contact Susan Vigil at [jemezgold@usana.com](mailto:jemezgold@usana.com) or 575-829-3340.

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