

# Co-Arts Plein Air Schedule Summer 2009

Welcome to Co-Arts Plein Air. Everyone is invited to join us, so please bring all your friends who paint, even if they're not Co-Arts. We will be meeting at the various venues on Wednesdays starting on May 27th from 9:30 on.

Please check in with me (Eva Butler) or Judith Silverman so we know you are there. Paint with others nearby for security. There will be restrooms nearby, most on site.

We will be meeting for lunch at 12:30, so bring a sack lunch. We'll be looking at that time at all the paintings, talking about what we were trying to accomplish in our compositions. This "Show and Tell" part of Plein Air is as much fun as the creative part because it's not only a learning experience, but a confidence and ego builder.

The directions are very general so please use MapQuest if you need something more detailed. Look for fellow artists to share rides. Eva can take 3 others in her car.

The contact person for all venues is first Eva Butler, then Judith Silverman. There will be an emergency host available if Eva and Judith both are not available. We'll try to make light rain days, too. If in doubt about rain, give us a call.

Be sensitive to the environment, so please do not dump paint, water, solvents, or waste into ponds and other ecologically sensitive areas.

## May 27th Arboretum (on Azalea Way)

**DIRECTIONS:** heading east on 520 from I-5 take the Montlake exit (the last exit before the Evergreen Floating bridge). Keep to the right going straight-ish through the light parallel to freeway Lake Washington Blvd. E all the way past the 1st stop sign. Take a left at Foster Island Way then right to Visitor Center on Arboretum Dr E.

**FEATURES:** Azalea Way, Woodland Garden, birch forest and reflective pond, rhodies and cherry trees.

## June 3rd Rosary Heights (Dominican Sisters)

23120 Woodway Park Road. (206 542 3740)

**DIRECTIONS:** find 3rd Avenue S. in downtown Edmonds following it south until it leaves the city limits and becomes Woodway Park Road for approximately 1 1/2 miles. The mansion is on the right immediately after the cement bridge.

**FEATURES:** a beautifully landscaped brick mansion with gardens on a hill above the sound. This facility is closing at the end of June. Please carpool if you can.

## June 19th Rose Garden at Woodland Park

**DIRECTIONS:** take the NE 50th exit heading west under Aurora overhead. The rose garden is directly on the right after going under Aurora. Parking by the zoo is expensive but if you turn left and go one block south, parallel to 50th on 44th and you arrive early, it's easy to find free street parking

**FEATURES:** Formal rose garden with sculptured topiaries, gazebo, pools. We also have some free tickets to the zoo.

Please bring your paintings to the plein air show at the September general meeting. No need for frames, mats are fine. We are looking for public plein air show venues for fall or winter. We'll be discussing these at plein air lunches. Contact Eva Butler (206) 325-4676, after Wednesday 8 am (206) 931-2021. Contact Judith Silverman (206) 329-1094, after Wednesday 8 am (206) 245-4399. Emergency contact if neither Eva nor Judith are available: Jim Adkins (206) 634-0570

Judith will hand them out before 10:15 to those who don't have a free pass with a Gold Card.

## June 17th Kelsey Creek Farm, Bellevue

SE 4th Pl & 130th Pl SE

**DIRECTIONS:** take I-5 to 520 crossing the Evergreen floating bridge. Take 520 until Bellevue/Renton exit to 405 going south. From 405 take the NE 8th St exit heading east. Turn right onto 124th Avenue NE going south. Turn left onto NE 2nd Street. Turn right onto 128th Avenue NE. Turn left onto SE 4th Place. The farm is at the top of the hill, with parking below. You may drive up to drop off your equipment, but park your car below and leisurely walk up hill.

**FEATURES:** Huge white barns, farm animals, corrals, fields, and stream.

## June 24th Bellevue Botanical Garden

Wilburton Park, Bellevue: 12001 Main St.

**DIRECTIONS:** take I-405 to the NE 8th St exit in Bellevue. Go east on NE 8th St. Turn right (south) onto 124th Ave NE. It makes a sharp right and becomes Main St. The Garden entrance will be on the left side at the top of the hill. Meet near the entrance to the gift shop within the garden. There is a sheltered area.

**FEATURES:** Bellevue Botanical Garden at Wilburton Hill Park contains beautiful display gardens, wetlands and woodlands. These beautiful gardens contain beautiful perennial beds, ponds, small waterfalls, long forested paths.

## July 1st Flower World, Snohomish

9322 - 196th St SE, Snohomish.

**DIRECTIONS:** from I-5 North take Lake City exit (177) and follow it around the north end of the lake to Bothell, There take SR 522 past Woodinville for 5.7 miles. Turn left at the first light (at Paradise Lake Road). Take a right as the road comes to a T (on WA 524) which goes straight into Yew Way for 0.3 mile. Yew Way then becomes Broadway Ave. You will have gone by Malby on the left, gone across RR tracks. Turn right on 198th SE into Flower World.

**FEATURES:** Picturesque landscaped grounds with a large pond with a huge geyser, water wheel, unusual chickens, geese, antique farm implements, nursery and greenhouses.

### **July 8th La Conner**

**DIRECTIONS:** take I-5 north to Exit 221 at Conway. Follow signs northward and westward to La Conner. After turning into La Conner, turn left onto Maple following it across Rainbow Bridge over the Channel to Swinomish Indian Reservation. On the left about 1/4 +/- miles into town a lovely steepled white church (St Paul Church and Spiritual Center) is our meeting place from whence we will disperse.

**FEATURES:** lovely old buildings in La Conner, waterway, boats, Rainbow Bridge, farms.

### **July 15th Bothell Landing**

9919 NE 180th St.

**DIRECTIONS:** north I-405 to Bothell/Hwy 522 exit. Follow Hwy 522 to intersection of 522 and Bothell-Everett Hwy. The Park is on your left, but, continue to the next light, just beyond McDonald's, and turn left. We will meet on the right side of the foot bridge where there is parking and restrooms.

**FEATURES:** footbridge over river, long sun-dappled trails, old buildings.

### **July 22nd Center for Urban Horticulture**

(Union Bay Natural Area), 3501 NE 41st ST Seattle.

**DIRECTIONS:** take the NE 45th exit off I-5 heading east past University campus past U-Village .Turning right onto Mary Gates Blvd, the center will be on your right.

**FEATURES:** flowers, fountain, buildings, fruit orchard, and grassy field to the west with trails.

### **July 29th Green Lake**

NW parking lot near the Bathhouse Theatre 7312 W. Greenlake Dr.

**DIRECTIONS:** take the Ravenna Exit (right after NE 50th exit) from the south or NE 65th Exit 171 from the north going west. to Greenlake Dr. N. Follow the lake keeping left as it circles the lake and becomes West Greenlake Dr. N. Park at the parking lot on the left. This is near the Bathhouse, tennis courts and Duck Island on the northwest side of the lake.

**FEATURES:** lake, trees, bathers, small boats on the lake, lily pads and such. If you paint earlier in the morning, the water is stiller with sharper reflections.

### **August 5th Washington Park Arboretum**

2500 Arboretum Dr E Seattle, by the lake

**DIRECTIONS:** heading east on 520 from I-5 take the Montlake exit (the last exit before the Evergreen Floating bridge). Keep to the right going straight-ish through the light parallel to freeway on Lake Washington Blvd. E all the way past the 1st stop sign. Take a left at the second stop sign to park along the lake on the left. We'll be painting the lake and the woods off Foster Island Way.

**FEATURES:** lagoons with water lilies, canoes, shady forested areas.

### **August 12th Fishermans Terminal**

1900 W Nickerson St, Seattle

**DIRECTIONS:** heading south on I-5 take the Denny exit. Turn right onto Denny heading west until it melds into Western heading northwest. It becomes Eliot Ave W. Keep heading northwest. Eliot becomes 15th heading north. Take the W Emerson St exit heading west until 19th W. Turn right into parking lots near Chinook's Restaurant (and Fisherman Terminal)

**FEATURES:** boats, yachts, ships, docks, and Salmon Bay of course.

### **August 19th Golden Gardens**

Beach and Marina.

**DIRECTIONS:** take the 85th street exit from I-5 in north Seattle and proceed west to 32nd Ave NW (where 85th ends). At 32nd, turn right on Loyal and go north for a very short distance bearing left on Golden Garden Way, following the road down hill through the park to the beach area. Turn right into the parking lot. Meet at the far end of the lot.

**FEATURES:** boat basin on south, fanning beach, saltwater beach, sometimes herons, natural pond, sometimes kite flyers.

### **August 26th Wedgewood Pea Patch**

(next to University Prep) 25th Ave NE, just south of NE 82nd on the east side of the street.

**DIRECTIONS:** off I-5 take Lake City Way exit going east curving north until NE 80th St. Turn east on NE 80th and go 8 blocks until Ravenna Ave NE, jogging left for 1/4 block, and follow 80th East for 1/2 block to 25th NE. Go 1/2 block to venue.

**FEATURES:** Vegetables and flowers, scarecrows, dahlias, sunflowers and paths through rows of lush plantings--probably pumpkin vines.

### **September 2nd Kubota Gardens**

Renton Ave S & 55th Ave S. Seattle:

**DIRECTIONS:** on I-5, exit at Pacific Highway South/East Marginal Way, Exit 158. Turn left toward Martin Luther King, Jr. Way; continue up the hill on Ryan Way. Turn left on 51st Avenue South. Turn right on Renton Avenue South. Turn right on 55th Avenue South to parking lot.

**FEATURES:** Beautiful serene Japanese gardens with ponds and 2 lacquered red bridges. In a field, to the left off the path down, there are many beautiful flowering hydrangeas.

### **September 9th Country Village**

Bothell: 728 238th SE . Bothell

**DIRECTIONS:** go north on Lake City Way (522) around the north end of Lake Wash for approximately 8 miles to Bothell, turning left at Highway 527 (Bothell-Everett highway). Go for about 3 miles turning left at 238th SE into the Village and park your car.

**FEATURES:** Quaint cottages with streams, ponds, long porches, kitchen train, boat and wind mill.