

QUICK DRAW!

Reading Public Museum Park
Monday, June 10, 2024

Paint and draw along with professional artists
in a two-hour special event

\$500 in awards in Student & Adult Categories

Now in its ninth year, Plein Air West Reading has earned wide recognition as one of the region's largest, most important fine art events. From June 8-15, 2024, thirty top artists from 9 states will cover Berks County, seeking to capture its beauty, character and heritage on canvas.

As part of the week-long event, there will be a community "Quick Draw" on June 10. We're inviting artists young and old, amateur and professional, to create the best painting or drawing of beautiful museum park in exactly two hours!

- 8:00-10:00am: Register at the Terrace Tent. There will a \$10 entry fee for adults, no fee for students (including college) and the juried Plein Air West Reading artists. **All artists must bring their own art supplies.**
- 10:00am-noon: Do a painting or drawing of anything in Reading Public Museum Park
- Noon-12:30: Bring your art to the Terrace Tent across from the museum entrance
- 1:00 Awards Presentation: Museum CEO Geoff Fleming will present \$500 in awards to winners in Student and Adult categories
- The exhibit will remain up until 3:00pm. Artwork may be offered for sale at the artists' discretion.



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What is "plein air" painting?

The term "*en plein air*" is French, meaning "in open air." It took hold in 1870s with the French Impressionists, referring to their preference for painting landscapes and everyday life subjects directly in their natural/outdoor settings versus working in the studio from sketches, studies or models.

