

Paint Annapolis 2026 Event Schedule

Now celebrating 25 years, Paint Annapolis is the premier plein air painting event for this historic sailing town, bringing the community together to share in the beauty of painting outdoors. See below for the week's schedule of events, all of which are free and open to the public, unless otherwise noted.

May 31 to June 5 – Artists will be painting all over the city from morning to night – and through the night, too. Walk around downtown Annapolis and catch the artists in action. On June 3, artists are encouraged to paint during West Street's Dinner Under the Stars. Reserve your spot at your favorite restaurant to dine al fresco and watch many artists set up to begin painting their nocturnes from **dusk to dawn**.

Day by Day:

May 31 – Dueling Brushes Exhibition will take place in Eastport at 222 Severn Ave near Pier 3. Take the water taxi or drive over to the vibrant Eastport peninsula to see and buy the pieces made this morning and kick off Paint Annapolis with an exhibition from **11:30 AM – 2 PM**. Awards will be announced at **1 PM**.

June 2 – Silver Jubilee Paint the Bay Reception sponsored by PNC will be from **6 – 8 PM** at the Park Campus of the Annapolis Maritime Museum (7300 Edgewood Road). Come see some of the Juried Artists' first works featuring the lovely Chesapeake on display and for sale, and enjoy wine and hors d'oeuvres. Awards will be announced at **7 PM**.

June 4 – Art on the Avenue will see Maryland Avenue closed to traffic from **4 – 8 PM** and open to the public for art, music, and a celebration. There will be an exhibition on the street from **5 – 7 PM** and awards will be given out at **6 PM** to the pieces that best showcase the architecture of Historic Annapolis.

June 5 – Collector's Party and Juried Artist Awards Ceremony will be at Circle Gallery from **6 – 8 PM**. Be the first to see and buy the Juried Artists' best paintings created over the past week, chat with them, and watch the artists win prizes. Awards for the Juried Artists will be announced at **7 PM**. Tickets for this event are \$25 and may be purchased at paintannapolis.org. (Limited quantity)

June 6 – Paint Annapolis Opening Reception from **5 – 7 PM** at the Pop Up Gallery. Get your first look at all of the work created since Sunday. Awards for the Public Artists will be announced at **6 PM**.

June 6 to June 20 – Paint Annapolis Exhibition Officially Opens. Exhibitions of work by both Juried and Public Artists will be on display at the Pop Up Gallery (13 School Street) and Circle Gallery (18 State Circle). Both galleries are open everyday **11 AM – 5 PM**.

June 7 – Muffins and Mimosas will be available at both galleries from **11 AM – 1 PM**. Enjoy breakfast and the wonderful art made over the past week.

June 11 – Annapolis Art Walk from **5 – 8 PM** at both galleries featuring plein air demos by local artists.

June 13 – Sip and Browse for **Annapolis Arts Day** celebrations at both galleries from **12 – 4 PM**.

June 20 – Closing Reception from **5 – 7 PM at the Pop Up Gallery**. See Mayor Jared Littman present his award selections for Public Artists at the final reception for Public Artist artwork. Circle Gallery open til **5 PM**.

Circle Gallery: 18 State Circle

Pop Up Gallery: 13 School Street (MD State & DC AFL-CIO Building)

Galleries open everyday 11 AM – 5 PM through June 20

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