APRIL 10-19, 2026

PLEIN AIR COMPETITION

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

Friday April 3, 2026 at 5:00pm

Please complete registration at www.lakecofair.com

1. Click competitions 2. Click on Creative Living 3.Click Division
4. Click Registration link on Division Page

Once on Registration Site hit the number 1 in top left corner to begin

ENTRY FEE: $25.00

Entry Agreement must be signed and submitted for registration to be accepted.

COMPETITION DATE:

Saturday, April 11, 2026: 10:00am-7:00pm

CHECK- IN LOCATION:
The Creative Living Building (Ashford)

AWARDS (Per Category):

Spirit of the Fair (1st Place): $300.00 & Award
(The painting that most exemplifies the traditions and spirit of the Lake County Fair)
2nd Place: $225.00 & Award
3rd Place: $175.00 & Award

Winners will be announced at the fair and displayed at www.lakecofair.com by May 1, 2026

The Lake County Fair beckons skilled artists who relish the opportunity to immerse themselves in capturing the lively happenings of our fair through their artwork. The resulting pieces vividly encapsulate the essence of the moment experienced in the great outdoors.

Competition Rules

1. Competition is limited to Adult Lake County Residents aged 18 years or older on day of competition.
2. Competition is open to amateur, semi-professional, and professional artists.
3. Competition is limited to 20 Competitors on first come first serve basis.
4. All Paintings must be created at the Lake County Fair during the competition time.
5. Village Framer and Art Gallery is graciously framing all paintings. Artists may choose the color of their frame at time of submittal. Paintings must be submitted on a 18x24 inch wrapped canvas with a depth of ¾ inch. Entries submitted on a smaller size will be framed in a floater frame. Contestants must provide their own frame is submitting a painting on a canvas larger than 18x24.
6. Competitors MUST check-in at the Creative Living building at the allotted time PRIOR to initiating any painting. At time of check-in you will be given a parking pass and badge that allows access to the ticketed area of the fair.
7. At time of check-in a stamp will be placed on the back of your canvas. This stamp MUST be visible when submitting for final judging.
8. Types of media permitted include: oils, acrylics, water media, pastels, and graphite.
9. Paintings of offensive, controversial, or objectionable nature or subject matter will not be accepted. The Lake County Fair decision in this matter will be FINAL.
10. Photographs and tablets will not be permitted to create paintings, hoever they may be used to reference lighting of the scene.
11. Paintings must be submitted by 7:00pm on the day of competition for final judging. Paintings will NOT be accepted past the deadline and will be disqualified.
12. All paintings MUST be for sale-Pricing will be set forth by contestant at time of submittal. Both sold and Un-Sold paintings MUST stay for the entirety of the fair. Purchased paintings cannot be removed by purchaser until removal date unless prior arrangements have been made with the program superintendent.
13. Any artwork left after the removal date will be recycled.
14. The Lake County Fair will retain a 20% commission. All Commission proceeds support the Creative Living Program.
15. The Lake County Fair reserves the right to photograph the plein air competition, images of photographs and artists may be used to marketing materials.
16. The Lake County Fair does NOT Require model releases.

Contest Timeline:

April 3, 2026	5:00pm	Entry form & Online Registration due
April 11, 2026	9:00am-10:00am	Check in at Creative Living Building
	10:00am-7:00pm	Painting Period in ticketed area of fair *Lunch, Drinks, and Snacks provided to contestants*
April 13, 2026		Winners announced at fair
April 13-19, 2026		Paintings will be displayed/for sale in Creative Living Building

Plein Air Competition Contestant Agreement:

Please print and sign agreement, entries without agreement will not be permitted to participate.

I hereby certify that I have read the Lake County Fair Rules for the Plein Air Competition at the Lake County Fair. I also agree that the Lake County Fair may use my name, likeness, or photographs (including, but not limited to the photographs and video images of my final painting submission), for use in marketing materials, free of charge and without further notice, consultation, or written release. Regardless of cause, the artist agrees to bear all risk and expense for any loss, theft or damage to their photographs, equipment, or other personal property or injury to their person. The Competitor ensures their photographs are picked up by the allotted time, and agrees to be responsible for all necessary shipping costs if item is not picked up. I understand that the Creative Living Competitions & Exhibits are held in conjunction with the Lake County Fair and agree that the Lake County Fair is not liable or responsible for any delay, change of dates or cancellation of the Lake County Fair due the following unforeseeable circumstances: (a) acts of God; (b) flood, fire, earthquake; or (c) other potential disaster(s) or catastrophe(s), such as epidemics, pandemics, or explosion.

Signature :_____

Printed Name:_____

Date: _____