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SANTA CLARA COUNTY PARKS  
 2017 PLEIN AIR COMPETITION  
 REGISTRATION FORM

Name:	_____		
Address:	_____		
City, St, ZIP	_____		
Phone:		Email:	_____
Medium:	_____		
Category:	Adult _____	High School Youth: _____	School: _____
		Age	_____

Below is a list of important points related to the 2017 Plein Air Competition (“Contest”).  
The Rules are posted at the County Parks Website at ParkHere.org. By submitting a Registration Form you are acknowledge, agree, accept and understand that the Rules apply to you and that you are bound by and shall fully comply with all Rules of this Contest. You are required to read all the Rules and by signing this Registration Form you are confirming that you have read all the Rules.

<b>My signature Below Represents that I Have Read, Understand, And Am In Agreement With All The Information, Rules And Statements Above.</b>	
PARTICIPANTS SIGNATURE _____	DATE _____
<b>IF PARTICIPANT IS A MINOR, PARTICIPANT’S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN <u>MUST</u> ALSO PRINT AND SIGN NAME BELOW.</b>	
I, the undersigned, hereby warrant and represent that I am the parent of legal guardian of the above participant, I have read and fully understand the terms and conditions of this Release, and I do hereby consent to and approve all of its terms and conditions on his/her behalf, as well as in my own capacity as parent or guardian.	
_____ (Parent/Legal Guardian, please <b>sign</b> name)	_____ (Date)
_____ (Parent/Legal Guardian, please <b>print</b> name)	_____ (Parent/Legal Guardian Address)

Return to: Parks Admin 298 Garden Hill Dr., Los Gatos, CA 95032 - Fax to: 408-355-2290 –  
 Or email: Plein Air Registration as (Sandie.Day@prk.sccgov.org)





## Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation

### 2017 Plein Air Competition

**Contest OFFICIAL RULES Are AVAILABLE at [ParkHere.org](http://ParkHere.org)**

#### **SANTA CLARA COUNTY PARKS PLEIN AIR SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL RULES**

1. The Contest theme is "PAINTING THE VALLEY OF HEART'S DELIGHT".
2. This is a "plein air" Contest which means all Entries (the "Artwork") must be the Entrant's original work of art created, started and completed by the Entrant while outdoors during the Contest Period on-site at Martial Cottle County Park and must capture the Contest theme of "PAINTING THE VALLEY OF HEART'S DELIGHT".
3. All times listed are in United States **Pacific Daylight Time (US PDT)**.
4. Artists ("Entrants" or "Participants" or "Artists") must Register to participate in the Contest by **calling (408) 355-2201**, by **fax at (408) 355-2290**, by **email at Plein Air Registration ([Sandie.Day@prk.sccgov.org](mailto:Sandie.Day@prk.sccgov.org))** or in person at the Offices of the County Parks and Recreation Department (Parks Administration) located at 298 Garden Hill Dr., Los Gatos, CA 95032.
5. If under 18, participant must register **in person** with parent or legal guardian.
6. Registration Forms are available online at [ParkHere.org](http://ParkHere.org) or in person between the hours of 8:00am and 4:00pm, at Parks Administration.
7. Contest Registration begins April 1, 2017. Contest Registration Forms must be turned in by no later than April 28, 2017 at 3:00pm. You will receive a Plein Air Registration Permit upon confirmed registration. Your permit may be used for entry into Martial Cottle Park for participation in the Contest during the Contest period.
8. Canvas Certification begins April 15, 2017 at 9:00am at Martial Cottle Park and continues at Parks Administration through April 28, 2017 at 1:00pm.
9. Artwork (your "Entry") must be created outdoors at County-designated locations at Martial Cottle County Park between the hours of 8:00am and dusk (or before Park closing, whichever occurs first) between April 15, 2017 and April 27, 2017 and between the hours of 8:00am and 1:00pm on April 28, 2017.
10. Participants must be in ninth grade and age 14 or older. If under 18, parent or guardian approval is required for registration and participation.
11. Participants must turn in their Entry to Parks Administration at 298 Garden Hill Dr., Los Gatos, CA 95032 starting after 8:00am on Monday, April 17, 2017 through 3:00 pm on Friday, April 28, 2017.
12. Entries produced using manipulated photographic processes, computer enhanced imagery or other non-plein air means will not be accepted.
13. Canvas surface for the Artwork must start off blank. Pre-toned canvas, paper or gessoed canvas is fine.
14. Artwork surfaces (e.g. canvas, paper, gessoed canvas) must be certified at County-provided Certification Tables at Martial Cottle Park Visitor Center on April 15, 2017, 9:00am – noon or at Parks Administration. Certification will be by authentication stamp and must be placed on the canvas prior to initiating any work on the canvas. There is no limit on the number of Artwork surfaces that can be certified, but no more than two (2) Entries can be submitted as an Entry.
15. Artwork submitted must be two dimensional only.
16. Participants shall not sign the front of the Artwork. The Entry will be identified after the jurying process.
17. All Entries must be framed and have wire on the back for hanging.  
Entries may be portrait or landscape orientation. There is no size restriction for entries.

18. It is recommended that a .jpeg image of at least 1000 megapixels accompany each Entry. If no image is provided, County Parks will create the image.
19. It is highly recommended that pastels, drawings, watercolors and the like be presented under glass for their protection.
20. Jury selected Entries will be displayed in the breezeway of the County Government Center at 70 West Hedding, San Jose, CA 95110 from May 1 to May, 2017 5 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.
21. Jurors will assess the Entry that best captures the theme "Valley of Heart's Delight." Jurors will consider composition, originality, presentation, technique, skill and the spirit of the work.
22. Jurors for the 2017 PLEIN AIR are Kristen Olson, Carol Bower and Mauro ffortissimo.
23. The decision of the jurors is final. Jurors will decide 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each of two Categories and one Grand Jury winner across both Categories.
24. Entries will be categorized into two groups: High School Youth (age 14 to 17) and Adult (age 18 and up).
25. Entries not selected as 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> place or as Grand Jury winner, will have a second opportunity to win a prize in the People's Choice awards, which will be decided by counting the number of online votes received between May 1, 2017 and May 5, 2017.
26. Ribbons and/or certificates will be awarded to Participants for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and for People's Choice in both High School Youth and Adult categories and for the Grand Jury winner.
27. Grand Jury winner, People's Choice, and 1<sup>st</sup> place winners in both categories will receive an Annual Park Pass.
28. All winners in all categories will be recognized by the Board of Supervisors on June 5, 2017 (or later date) and will have their work displayed on the County Parks website.
29. Some or all of the winners in each category may be offered a future opportunity to become a Santa Clara County Parks Artist in Residence, which will later be determined and is within the sole and absolute discretion of County Parks.
30. Winners will be announced at the Martial Cottle Park Spring Celebration on Saturday, May 6, 2017 at 2 pm.
31. A complete list of 2017 Plein Air Competition winners will be available on the County Parks website after May 8, 2017 at [ParkHere.org](http://ParkHere.org).
32. County Parks may elect to daily display any Artwork submitted during or after the Contest Period at the County Government Center and on social media.
33. County Parks may host a reception at Martial Cottle County Park on Saturday, May 6, 2017 between 1:00pm and 2:00 pm, as a part of an awards ceremony. Announcements will be made on the County Parks website.
34. After the Contest, Artwork may be picked up by the Participant (at Participant's option) at Martial Cottle Park on Saturday, May 6, 2017 from 3:00 pm to 4:00pm or on/after Monday, May 8, 2017 from 8:00am to 4:00pm at Parks Administration. Winners may pick up their Artwork at Parks Administration after presentation to the Board of Supervisors which will occur on or after June 5, 2017.
35. Artwork not picked up by Friday, June 30, 2017 will be considered abandoned property and will be disposed of in accordance with applicable state and local abandonment laws.
36. **SANTA CLARA COUNTY PARKS PLEIN AIR QUICK DRAW INSTRUCTIONS.** After registering for the Contest, Participants may also elect to participate in the Plein Air QUICK DRAW Competition ("QUICK DRAW"). QUICK DRAW participation is limited to the first twenty (20) Contest Registrants. Instructions are provided in more detail below. All other rules set out herein apply to QUICK DRAW.

## SANTA CLARA COUNTY PARKS PLEIN AIR QUICK DRAW INSTRUCTIONS/RULES

- a) As part of the Santa Clara County Parks Plein Air QUICK DRAW Competition (QUICK DRAW), Artists may be allowed by escort into the restricted area of Martial Cottle Park to paint the historic Cottle Ranch buildings. Access to the restricted area will be controlled and Artists must REGISTER SEPERATELY if interested in participating in the QUICK DRAW.
- b) **QUICK DRAW Registration opens April 17, 2017 at 8:00 am and is limited to the first 20 QUICK DRAW registrants. Registration is not available on-line and must be completed in person or by calling Parks Reservations at 408-355-2201.**
- c) Any Contest Entrant may enter the QUICK DRAW and/or the Contest.
- d) During the Contest Period, QUICK DRAW registrants must choose to paint on one of two dates offered ("QUICK DRAW Painting Date").
- e) Artists must arrive one hour prior to the start of the QUICK DRAW Painting Date to certify their canvas at the County-provided Certification Tables.
- f) Artists have two hours to paint and frame the Artwork depicting the Cottle Ranch Life Estate in accordance with the Contest Rules set out herein above.
- g) The QUICK DRAW Painting Dates available are:  
  

**Thursday, April 20, 2017, 9:00 am to 11:00 am, or**  
**Sunday, April 23, 2017, 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.**
- h) Along with all other Contest rules, Artists must also follow these QUICK DRAW rules:
  - a. Show up one hour before your start time to register and Certify your canvas. Artists with Certified canvases will meet at the Visitor Center 10 minutes before the QUICK DRAW begins. Entrants will be escorted to the Restricted area at the beginning of the QUICK DRAW. Late arrivals will not be able to participate in the competition.
  - b. Artists will not be able to park near the Restricted area and must be prepared to walk and carry their equipment up to a quarter mile.
  - c. Artists will not be able to leave the QUICK DRAW area or travel back and forth to their car during the two-hour timeslot for security purposes. Please bring with you any food or water you may need for personal comfort. Restrooms are not available at the Restricted area so please plan accordingly. Seating will not be available.
  - d. Artists must be supervised at all times while in the Restricted area.
  - e. Photographs may not be taken in the Restricted area and photographs of Artwork created at the Restricted area may not be posted to social media or the Internet.
  - f. Artists will be escorted back to the Visitor Center at the end of the QUICK DRAW.
  - g. All materials, garbage, refuse shall not be left anywhere in or near the Restricted area and must be carried back with you as you exit the Park.
  - h. Future access to the Restricted area will not be permitted. Access is only available through QUICK DRAW and for the sole purpose of painting the historic ranch buildings.
  - i. Artists may not touch or remove anything from the Restricted area.
  - j. Any violations of these rules may result in the Artist's immediate removal from Martial Cottle Park and disqualification from QUICK DRAW and the Contest as a whole.
- i) At the end of your QUICK DRAW time, you will bring your completed, unsigned, framed Artwork, along with your easels, to the appointed area for judging.
- j) One QUICK DRAW winner for each date will be determined and the results of judging are final.
- k) QUICK DRAW entries cannot be submitted for entry into the Contest and will not be posted to the Parks website or social media.
- l) Winners of each QUICK DRAW competition will receive a ribbon, recognition and display at the Martial Cottle Spring Celebration on May 6, 2017 and may receive recognition at the Board of Supervisors meeting on or after June 5, 2017.

- m) Winners may be offered the opportunity to participate in the Parks Artist in Residence program, at County Parks sole election.
- n) A complete list of 2017 PLEIN AIR/QUICK DRAW winners will be available on the County Parks website after May 8, 2017.
- o) QUICK DRAW artwork may be picked up at Martial Cottle County Park on Saturday, May 6, 2017 from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm. QUICK DRAW winners may pick up their Artwork at Parks Administration after presentation to the Board of Supervisors on June 5, 2017 or a later date. Artwork not picked up by Friday, June 30, 2017 will be considered abandoned property and may be disposed of by the County in accordance with local and state abandonment laws.
- p) All other Rules of the Contest still apply.