

## **Call For Artists Art in the Park, 2025**

The Parker Artists Guild (PAG) is pleased to announce the return of **Art in the Park** after a one year hiatus! A much-loved event held at O'Brien Park in the heart of charming downtown Parker, Art in the Park will feature a diversity of artwork. Parker, Colorado is an affluent community, making this an ideal event for artists looking to wrap up their summer show schedule. O'Brien Park offers something for everyone in the family and is just a short drive from downtown Denver, Castle Rock, and Colorado Springs. A bonus is that a well-attended farmer's market occurs on Sundays along Mainstreet.

The Parker Artists Guild is pleased to partner with Parker Arts for this event.

### **Event Dates**

Saturday, August 30, 2025, 10 am - 5 pm, and Sunday, August 31, 2025, 8 am - 4 pm.

Setup is Friday, August 29, 2025, 11 am to 7 pm. Rain or shine!

### **Event Location**

O'Brien Park is located at the northeast corner of Parker Road and Mainstreet in downtown Parker. Art in the Park will be held along the brick pathways that wind around the gazebo, extending to the playground. Food trucks and live music will be present during the event.

O'Brien Park includes public art sculpture, picnic tables, public restrooms, a lighted softball field, a multipurpose field, a basketball court, 2 playgrounds, and H2O'Brien Pool. The parking lot can be accessed from Victorian Drive.

### **Deadline for Artist Applications**

April 30, 2025

### **Notifications**

June 1, 2025

### **General Exhibit Rules**

Fine art and fine craft artists are encouraged to apply in the following categories: ceramics, digital art, drawing, fiber, glass, jewelry, metal, mixed media, painting, photography, printmaking, sculpture, and wood. See specific definitions below.

\* All work must be original and hand-created by the exhibitor, including signed and numbered limited edition prints. Manufactured and imported work or kits may not be exhibited.

\* All two-dimensional artwork must be matted, stretched, or framed.

\* Artists may only exhibit work in the category in which they are accepted. Jewelry may only be sold by artists accepted in the jewelry category.

\* Artists must be present throughout the entire show. No spouses or other people are permitted in place of the artist.

\* Artists are responsible for all of their sales. Please plan to have cash for change and credit card processing readers (i.e. Square etc.) if you accept credit card payments.

\* Colorado law requires that vendors collect 8% sales tax. The Parker Artist Guild will collect your taxes at the close of the event and submit them to the proper agencies. Be prepared to write a check or have cash for taxes at the close of the event.

\* All work shown must be for sale.

Ceramics: Signed ceramic (earthenware, stoneware, and/or porcelain) work. May not include ceramic jewelry.

Digital art: Work that the artist created and manipulated using a computer. Work must be signed and numbered limited editions on archival-quality materials. Digital photography falls under the photography category (see below). A small quantity of prints is allowed.

Drawing: Signed work created with chalk, charcoal, pastels, wax crayon, and other dry materials; and from inks and washes applied by brush or pen. Limited edition reproductions should be signed and numbered. A small quantity of prints is allowed.

Fiber art: Wearable or non-wearable work created from fibers such as weaving, tapestry, basketry, sewing, embroidery, leatherwork, and papermaking. No factory-made wearable items or other mass-produced items (even if the artist has enhanced them) will be accepted.

Glass: Glass blown, kiln-formed, molded, or cast functional or decorative glassware, including stained glass. Items may be engraved or etched, but may not include prefabricated items (e.g. pressed wine bottles or wine glasses). May not include jewelry.

Jewelry: Jewelry made from metal, glass, clay, or other materials. No commercial casts, molds, or mass-produced items are allowed.

Metal: Works produced from metals, not including sculpture and jewelry (apply instead to those categories). No mass-produced items are permitted.

Mixed media: Two-dimensional items crafted from more than one type of material. No mass-produced items are accepted. A small quantity of prints is allowed.

Painting: Works on canvas and paper created with acrylics, oils, watercolors, etc. A small quantity of prints is allowed.

Photography: Prints made from the artist's original images.

Printmaking: Signed and printed works made from artist's plates, screens, or stones. No mass-produced items are permitted. Limited edition reproductions should be signed and numbered. A small quantity of prints is allowed.

Sculpture: Three-dimensional original work constructed of any materials (clay, metal, cloth, etc.), and of all sizes.

Wood: Hand-tooled, machine-turned, or carved wood items.

### **Art in the Park Call for Entries**

Art in the Park is a juried show. The Parker Artists Guild strives to keep the jury fee at \$35, the same as in previous years. The jury fee is non-refundable.

Artwork is evaluated only on the images supplied by the artist, therefore, **high-quality photos** are recommended. Please do not submit any photos that show the name or image of the artist, as this is a blind jury process.

Artists are chosen based on the highest jury scores in their category. A waitlist will be created and used if artists withdraw from the show. PAG members will have priority consideration.

The jury is comprised of Art in the Park planning committee members. Decisions by the jury panel are final.

### **How to Apply**

Apply online at: [ParkerartistsGuild.com](http://ParkerartistsGuild.com)

You will be asked to submit 5 images (4 images of your work and 1 of your booth showing your work on display). You may upload PNG, PDF, JPG, CSV, or XLS files up to 10 MB in size. A short paragraph describing your media, materials, methods, and price range will be required (500 characters maximum). If you are a PAG member and wish to share a tent, please include your preference in your paragraph. You will pay your \$35 jury fee during the application process.

Applications are due by midnight on **April 30, 2025**.

All applicants will be notified by email by June 1, 2025. If you have been invited to participate in the show, the email will include instructions for the next steps.

### **Booth Fees**

10 x 10' booth fee: \$305

10 x 10' booth fee Parker Artist Guild members: \$225

10 x 10' corner booth fee: \$335

10 x 10' corner booth fee PAG members: \$260

PAG members only: A limited supply of tents is available to share for PAG members. In the paragraph that you send with your images (see How to Apply), please indicate your preference for a shared tent. Requests will be honored in the order in which they are received.

PAG members-only shared tents: half tent: \$110

Booth fees are due on July 1, 2025. Artists who have not submitted their booth fees by July 1st, will not be permitted to participate in the show.

Artists may cancel their participation up to July 14th for a booth fee refund minus 10% for administrative costs, and August 1st for a refund of half of the booth fee. No refunds will be issued after August 1st.

### **Tent Requirements**

Tents must be white and measure 10 x 10'. Important: each tent leg must be weighted with at least 40 lbs. This is to prevent injury or damage to you, your work, and others associated with the event due to wind or other inclement weather. The event occurs rain or shine.

**Booth Setup - Friday, August 29th, 11 am - 7:00 pm**

Please check in to receive your packet and booth number. You will have 30 minutes to unload your vehicle at the curb by O'Brien Park. Please unload your vehicle, move your vehicle to the parking lot, and then move your items to your booth location. Following this 30-minute guideline is greatly appreciated and allows all artists close access for unloading.

Security will be provided from 6 pm Friday, August 29th, to 8 am Saturday, August 30th; and from 5 pm Saturday, August 30, to 8 am Sunday, August 31st.

**Load Out**

Load-out begins on Sunday, August 31st at 4 pm. Please display your work until 4 pm.

You must submit your sales tax payment by 4:30 pm. Cash and check will be accepted.

**Liability**

Artists accept full responsibility for their work during the event. The Parker Artist Guild is not responsible for the loss of artwork or personal property during the event.

**Become a PAG Member**

It is only \$45 a year to join the Parker Artists Guild, and be eligible for ATP discounts. You will enjoy opportunities to show your artwork year-round in and around Parker, CO.

If you would like to become a member of the Parker Artists Guild apply online at:

[https://www.flipcause.com/secure/cause\\_pdetails/MTMxMzY4](https://www.flipcause.com/secure/cause_pdetails/MTMxMzY4)