



Vistas and Vineyards 2010 Site Calendar

Vistas and Vineyards is a group of artists that enjoy painting “*en plein aire*” at local sites in the mid-Willamette Valley and sharing their work with one another. Started in 1989 V&V was formed to document a "sense of place" in the Willamette Valley and has grown to over 120 artists. Group activities allow our members to safely explore and paint on private lands and in remote areas.

In addition to morning paint-outs, activities include overnights at a retreat setting and a two to three day workshop lead by a noted artist/instructor. We meet at **9:00 am** at a different site each **Wednesday** morning from mid-May through mid-October and paint into the early afternoon. We usually gather at noon for an informal review of the morning's work in a friendly and supportive atmosphere. Any artist may join us for the *plein aire* paint outs, including guests of members. Paint outs are cancelled in the event of steady rain, but not for scattered showers.



To accommodate an increasing number of participants in the paint-outs, it is helpful to:

Car pool as much as possible. You are encouraged to contact other members if you need a ride.

Park responsibly so the maximum number of cars can be accommodated. Park away from customer parking in commercial locations. Allow our members who have limited mobility to use the close-in spaces.

Take care of your personal belongings and gather everything with you when you leave.



2010 SITE CALENDAR

We have a mixture of sites that are close in and moderate driving distance, and sites that have a diversity of painting opportunities and interests emphasizing vistas, wineries and structures.

ARTIST RETREAT

Wednesday September 8th thru
Friday September 10th at
Tilikum Retreat Center near
Newberg in the heart of Yamhill
wine country.

WORKSHOP

Gifted painter Mitch Baird at
beautiful Tyee Wine Cellars
Thursday July 8th thru Saturday
July 10th

More about Mitch
can be found at
www.mitchbaird.com

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OUR FIRST OUTING!



May 19th

Garland Nursery

Facilitator, Honor Hoover

Painting opportunities: Ponds, blooming plants, pottery, barn, statuary, trees, people, sheds. If it is raining we can paint in the sheds.

Critique at 12:00

www.garlandnursery.com

Directions: Highway 20 north of Corvallis towards Albany about 5 miles. Watch for signs - Nursery is on the west side of Highway 20. **Please park towards the back of the property away from customer parking.**

NOTE: If the morning temperature and weather is on the cool side (below 50 degrees) we will start at 10:00 and move the critique out one hour.

May 26th

Schreiner's Gardens

Facilitator, Linda Humphrey

Painting opportunities: Iris fields will be in bloom, display garden with numerous perennials, small pond, and people. If it is raining, Schreiner's has a tent set up offering a view of the gardens. Great bratwurst food stand on the site.

Critique at 12:30

www.schreinersgardens.com



Directions: Located at 3675 Quinaby Road, Salem, 45 minutes from Corvallis. Take I-5 north to Chemawa Road (Exit 260); Go west and turn right just west of I-5 onto Radiant Drive. Go through Keizer Station and follow the signs to Volcano Stadium. Head north (Radiant drive becomes 35th street) past stadium and turn right onto Quinaby Road. The nursery is on the north side of Quinaby Road and before you reach the bridge over I-5. **Please park towards the back of the property away from customer parking.** One hour from Corvallis.



June 2nd**Thyme Gardens***Lesson, Terry Tallis*

Painting opportunities: Many display gardens with numerous perennials, gazebo, small pond, small waterfall and stream. www.thymegarden.com
Critique at 12:45

Directions: Take Highway 20/34 through Philomath, on the west side of town turn right onto Highway 34 at the junction of Highway 34 and 20 toward Alsea. Go about 12 miles and watch for the sign on the left for the entrance to the garden. Turn left over the small bridge. **Please park in the rear of the parking area.** About 30 minutes from Corvallis

June 9th**Peavy Arboretum -
Anderson's Blueberry Farm***Facilitator, Mike Bergen*

Painting opportunities: Lake, pathways, buildings, large vistas, blueberry fields.
Critique at 12:00 at the Firefighter Memorial Shelter. Map available at:
www.cof.orst.edu/cf/forests/arboretum/

Directions: Take 99W north from Corvallis about 7 miles through Lewisburg. 1 mile past Lewisburg turn left onto Arboretum Rd. 1 mile to Peavy Arboretum entrance and sign on left. Anderson Blueberry farm is located 3/10 mile north of Peavy on Arboretum Rd. **Please park away from customer parking** / no restrooms available at Anderson

June 16th**Thompson's Mill State Park***Facilitator, TBD*

Painting opportunities: Water powered mill, river, valley vistas, antique milling machinery.
Critique at 12:30
www.oregonstateparks.org/park

Directions: Take Hwy 34 (east) toward I-5 and Tangent. At Tangent, go south on Highway 99E towards Shedd. Just before entering Shedd, turn left onto Boston Mill Drive. Thompson's Mill Park is about 1.5 miles on the left.

June 23rd**Dancing Oaks Nursery***Facilitator, Claudia Weintraub*

Painting opportunities: Mature garden, metal sculptures, pavilion building, 120 foot cedar pergola with vines and roses, two water features.
Critique at 12:30
www.dancingoaks.com

Directions: Go north on Hwy. 99W. Turn left (west) at Suver onto Airlie Rd. Stay on Airlie Rd. until you cross the Luckiamute River. Turn left (west) onto Maple Grove Rd. about 0.75 miles, at the bend in the road, go right onto Priem Rd. Follow this gravel road almost 2 miles until it ends at Dancing Oaks Nursery. **Please do not park in customer parking in front of the green shop.**

June 30th**Harrisburg Riverfront Park***Facilitator, Richard Helmick*

Painting opportunities: Views of Willamette River, bridge, gazebo, Harrisburg street scenes.
Critique at 12:00 at the gazebo.

Directions: South on 99E about 25 miles to Harrisburg. In Harrisburg, turn right onto Smith St. Drive 2 blocks to Riverfront Park. Ample parking along Riverfront Park.

July 7th**William L. Finley Wildlife Refuge***Lesson, Mile Ranger*

Painting opportunities:

Ponds, historical homes, large vistas and views of Marys Peak.

Critique at 12:45 at *new* headquarters buildingwww.fws.gov/Refuges

Directions: Go south 10 miles from Corvallis, to milepost 93 on Highway 99W. Turn west on Finley Refuge Road. Watch for the refuge entrance sign on the west side of the road. Follow refuge signs for 2 miles to the *new* refuge headquarters (located at the west end of the park). Driving time about 30 minutes.

July 8th - 10th Workshop with Mitch Baird**Tyee Wine Cellars**

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www.tyeevine.com**July 14th****McDowell Creek Co. Park***Facilitator,*

Painting opportunities: Views of falls and stream, a couple of falls are near parking lot while others require some walking along well maintained

paths however **some of the trails are steep.**

Critique at 12:30 lower parking lot

Directions: Drive east on Rt. 20 through Lebanon toward Sweet Home to Fairview Rd. (Old Santiam Hwy.) Turn left onto Fairview Rd., 4 miles out of Lebanon. Go to McDowell Creek Dr. and turn left. Drive to McDowell Creek Co. Park. The lower parking lot is on the right.

July 21st**Paradise Springs Event Center***Facilitator, Earl Boissonou*

Painting opportunities: Seven acres of natural landscaped grounds, valley views, pond, lodge building.

Critique at gazebo at 12:30

Directions: Take 99W south to Monroe. Turn right on Orchard St. Orchard becomes Coon Rd. (fork to left). Coon Rd. Cherry Creek Rd. to the left. Paradise Springs Event Center is 25674 Cherry Creek Rd.

July 28th**Bezell Memorial Forest***Facilitator, Shirley Wirth*

Painting opportunities: Historic Plunkett House, trails, stream, forested areas, old barns.

Critique at 12:00

www.co.benton.or.us/parks/facilities/bezell

Directions: Go through Philomath headed west on Highway 20. Continue about 4.5 miles to Kings Valley Highway (233). Turn right onto Highway 233 and go about 4.5 miles. Watch for signs. There is a small sign a quarter of a mile before the park and another at the park entrance. **Parking is limited so it would be a good idea to carpool.**

August 4th

Gregg Farm

Lesson, Mark Allison

Painting opportunities: rustic farm buildings, horse corrals, old farm implements, views of valley and Marys Peak.

Critique at 12:30

Directions: Go west from Corvallis on highway 34, turn south on Peoria Rd. Go 3.5 miles to Harvest Rd. Turn left. Gregg farm is less than a mile at 29860 Harvest Rd. About 20 minutes from Corvallis.

August 11th

Detering Orchard

Facilitator, Tom Allan

Painting opportunities: Long established orchards offers a variety of views during apple harvest time, quaint open air store, rows of orchard trees.

Critique at 12:30

Directions: Take Highway 34 to Peoria Road to Harrisburg - Turn left on LaSalle (at the end of town) turn right onto S. 6th street which becomes Colberg Rd. Turn right onto Wyatt Drive. Detering Orchard address is 30946 Wyatt Dr.

August 18th

***Central Park and
Corvallis Historical Buildings***

Facilitator, Donna Beverly

Painting opportunities: The Art Center, statues, gazebo, or stroll up town to the Benton County Courthouse, Whiteside Theater, or any number of beautiful historic buildings downtown.

Critique at 12:00 in front of The Art Center

Directions: Central Park in Corvallis. There are a number of non-metered parking slots around Central Park. Other parking is metered - most a two hour limit. Getting there early allows for finding an open parking slot.

August 25th

Newport/Yaquina Bay

Facilitator, Jim Jordan

Painting opportunities: Dunes, ocean views, Newport Bridge, jetty, 1871 Yaquina Head Lighthouse, Newport Bay, boats.

Critique at 12:30 at Yaquina Bay Lighthouse State Park
www.yaquinalights.org

Directions: About 56 miles from Corvallis. Take Highway 20 to Newport. At the first light going down the hill as you enter Newport turn left towards Historic Bayfront onto SE John Moore rd. At the bottom of the hill turn right onto SE Bay Blvd. Continue on Bay Blvd. to the end turn right going up the hill and then turn left onto SW Naterlin Dr. past the Coast Guard Station. At the top of the hill turn left onto Yaquina Bay State Park and go UNDER the bridge. There is a picnic area with a covered patio on the west end of the park.

September 1st***Airlie Winery****Lesson, Kris Mitchell*

Painting opportunities: Sprawling vineyards, old house, small lake, small garden.

Critique at 12:45 in the covered shelter

Directions: Take 99W north from Corvallis toward Monmouth. Go about 10 miles to the blinking light and turn right onto Airlie Rd. Go 6 miles and turn left onto Maxfield Creek Rd. Go about 2.5 miles to the vineyard on the left.

September 8th***Basket Slough******Followed by Retreat at:******Tilikum Retreat Center****Facilitator will be chosen from those painting at Basket Slough*

Painting opportunities: Cropland, forests, grasslands, shallow water, seasonal wetlands and permanent open water.

Critique at 12:30 at trail head parking lot at the big bend on Coville Road.

Directions: Go North on Highway 99W from Corvallis past Monmouth and Rickreall passing over highway 22 heading toward McMinnville. About 1 mile from Rickreall, look for signs to the left for Basket Slough (should be Coville Road). There are plenty of vistas within the refuge—we will meet at the trailhead off of Coville Road; there are restrooms there. One hour from Corvallis.

September 8th, 9th, & 10th Tilikum Retreat Center***near Newberg in the heart of Yamhill wine country****(Flier with more details attached) Watch for sign up details arriving in June****September 15th******OSU Sheep Barns****Facilitator, Terry Tallis*

Painting opportunities: : Vistas of a valley looking up to the high hills of McDonald Forest. Rolling hills with stately oak trees, an old red shed, Oak Creek, maybe sheep in pastures.

Critique at 12:00

Directions: Go west on Harrison. Continue on Oak Creek Drive about 2 miles from intersection with Walnut/53rd. When the road dips down to the creek, turn right to the sheep barns just prior to crossing Oak Creek. Follow the gravel road up the hill to the large silver barn and park near there. Restrooms are in the large silver barn. About 10 minutes driving time.

September 22nd***Beckenridge Winery****Facilitator, Laurel Buchanan*

Painting opportunities: On a hill overlooking vineyards and down into the Willamette Valley, gardens, grapes.

Critique at 12:30 on the patio

Directions: Take 99W north to Rickreall. Look for Rickreall Road (only light) and turn left (west) 0.5 miles. Turn left on Hwy. 223/Ellendale Avenue and continue (west) for 3 miles to Dallas. Once in Dallas, stay in the right lane at 2nd stoplight. Proceed straight for 2.5 miles passing West Coast Bank on your right, Les Schwab Tires on your left. Turn right onto Reuben Boise Rd. Becknridge is on the right 0.5 miles.

September 29th

Buena Vista Ferry

GLT Willamette Bluffs

Winged Wonders Garden

Facilitator, Marrilee Zenone

Painting opportunities: Ferry, river, park, orchard, garden, vast vistas of the valley, mixed woodland, marsh. Critique at 12:30 - Buena Vista Co. Park

More information about the Greenbelt Land Trust at <http://www.greenbeltlandtrust.org/>

More information about Wings of Wonder at <http://www.wingsofwonder.us/index.htm>

Directions: Go north on Rt 99. Just north of EE Wilson Game Management area, turn right on Sulver Rd. Sulver Rd. ends at Albany/Corvallis Rd. Turn left. Corvallis Rd. ends at Prather Rd., turn right. Turn left at Buena Vista Rd. Continue straight to Buena Vista Rd. slight left at Buena Vista Rd./Meridian St. Take the 2nd right onto Willamette Ferry St. Park entrance is at the top of the hill just before the ferry. GLT Willamette Bluffs is located 1 mile south on Buena Vista Rd. **Please stay well away from the river edge, the drop off is 100 ft.** Wings of Wonder garden is located one block east on Church Street. **Please stay in the garden and out of the exhibit areas.**

Annual Juried Show

October at LaSells Stewart Center

More details in September

October 6th

Benton County Fairgrounds/

Bald Hill/ Irish Bend Bridge

Facilitator, Kris Mitchell

Painting opportunities: Fairgrounds buildings, Bald Hill vista, Marys Peak view from the fair grounds parking lot. About a quarter mile walk, one can paint the Irish Bend Bridge.

Critique at 12:00 west end of fairgrounds parking lot

The Benton County Fairgrounds are located just south of intersection of Walnut and Harrison on 53rd west of Corvallis. They are on 53rd between Harrison and Philomath Blvd. Bald Hill parking is on Harrison (it becomes NW Oak Creek Dr.) and the Irish Bend Bridge is about 1/4 mile along a paved path, access is from the south fairgrounds parking lot.

October 13th

Dilbert - Hunter Arboretum

Facilitator, Katy Hanson

Painting opportunities: Stream, buildings by the stream, pool with water event, pathways, plants, Japanese garden, park scenes.

Critique at 12:30 in meeting room

Directions: North on 99W about 25 miles to Rickreall, turn left at "Dallas" sign and stoplight. Drive 4 miles on Ellendale Ave. to SW Westwood Dr. Turn left (south) on SW Westwood Dr. to SW Park St. Turn left (east) on SW Park St about 100 yards to Arboretum entrance. (Parking at the entrance to the Arboretum and in the city park next to it.)

Alternative Sites:***Any Barn******Any View of Marys Peak******Willamette Park******Vistas & Vineyards Blog***

If you have not checked out our Blog at <http://vistasandvineyards.wordpress.com> make sure you set aside some time to have a look. Mike Bergen has done a wonderful job setting it up and keeping it updated, but he needs your help. Send Mike digital files of your work and any comments about your experiences out and about this summer painting with the group.

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