

Call for Artists!

The Great Swamp Celebration

Juried Art and Photography Show

October 21 & 22, 2017

****Cash Prizes Will Be Awarded****

Artists are invited to submit up to four (4) digital images of 2 dimensional work for the competition. There is no cost to submit. There will be a \$15 hanging fee for each accepted work and FrOGS will retain a 25% commission on all works sold at the show.

Cash Awards: \$250 (first), \$150 (second) and \$100 (third) for both Photography and 2D Art

Additionally: Winners and Honorable Mentions will be invited to participate in a follow up show at the Front Street Gallery in Patterson. Full details to follow.

Submitted images should reflect the beauty and diversity of the Great Swamp and the surrounding watershed. All works must be of subjects and locations found within the Great Swamp Watershed. We have included a map of the watershed area, as well as a list of suggested locations.

Photography and painting (including drawing, graphics and other two dimensional works) will be judged separately. For each accepted image, please submit a statement explaining why the subject inspired you and the area within the Great Swamp Watershed that the image depicts. These statements will be displayed alongside accepted works.

*****Deadline for submissions is midnight Sunday, October 1. You will be notified by email regarding acceptance by Wednesday October 11.*****

- Photography should be emailed to: frogs.photo.show@gmail.com
- Paintings and other 2D art should be emailed to: frogs.art.show@gmail.com

Please send with the subject line "Art Show 2017" and be sure to include: your name, mailing address, email address, phone number and a short statement about each work. Submit in jpeg format, maximum size 4"x 6" for judging.

Identify your images as follows: Artist Name-Title-Medium-Price (or NFS – not for sale)

The largest framed dimension of any work should not exceed 30". All images must be securely wired from side to side for hanging: i.e. no saw tooth hangers.

Accepted work must be hand delivered on Thursday, October 19 to Christ Church on Quaker Hill, 17 Church Rd, Pawling, NY 12564 between 2 and 7 PM, along with a \$15 hanging fee for each piece.

Unsold work must be picked up on Sunday October 22 between 4 & 6 PM



Some recommended painting & photography spots in the Great Swamp

1. Chipewalla Road Crossing of the Swamp River Great views of the Swamp River and its wetland from the bridge crossing of the Swamp River. Some great large trees! Blue Iris in spring.
Directions from South: Take Rte. 22 north past the old Harlem Psych Center (now Olivet University) in Wingdale and continue past the traffic light at Pleasant Ridge Road for about 1 mile. Slow down---the left turn for Chipewalla Rd is a sharp left and a gravel road. Follow the road ¼ mile further to the bridge. Park on the side of the road. Coming from north, take Rte 22 south, pass county Rte. 26 on right, Chipewalla Road is ½ mile further on the right.

2. Slocum-Mostachetti Preserve (Oblong Conservancy) Great views of small meadow with summer and fall wildflowers and beautiful red cedar trees and trail to wetlands.
Directions from South: Take Rte. 22 north past the old Harlem Valley Psych Center (now Olivet) to the traffic light at Pleasant Ridge Road. Make left onto Pleasant Valley Road, go .8 mile (you will have crossed over the RR tracks) The dirt road to the Preserve is on the right, make the sharp turn and drive past old house and take the dirt road as it curves past the house and 300 yards to the rear. Stop at the gate and park on the dirt road. Walk beyond the gate into the Preserve. Form the north, follow Rte. 22 to Pleasant Ridge Road, Right onto Pleasant Ridge and follow same directions to preserve.

2A. DEC Fishing Area Parking Lot ¼ Mile south of Pleasant Ridge Road make left (coming from south) onto Wheeler Rd. Cross RR tracks, DEC parking area is on right. There is a small boat launch path to Swamp River. Good marsh views from there.

3. Pawling Nature Preserve---access to Appalachian Trail there. Until last week in September—then closed for hunting. From South, take Rte. 22 north, past Trinity Pawling School to right turn onto Hurd Corners Road. Follow road to left on Quaker Lake Road, then follow Quaker Lake Road past the Lake to the parking lots for the trails. Trails go up the hill to Appalachian Trail on the Hill. Great Views of Swamp and Valley Below. NOTE: Quaker Lake itself is Private. From North travel south on Rte 22 to Hurd Corners Road, Make left onto it then follow rest of directions.

4. Appalachian Trail Crossing of Swamp River on west side of Rte. 22. There is a small parking lot on the west side of Rte 22. just south of Native Landscaping. Cross RR track on foot and follow the Boardwalk trail to the bridge crossing the Swamp River. Continue on the trail into the woods and up the hill if you want or turn around there. Many opportunities to photograph or paint, spring marsh with for-get-me-nots, cattail marsh, fall wildflower—arrow arum and the Swamp River at this point.

5. River Road Crossing of Swamp River, Pawling Good view of Swamp River from the roadside. The roadside is wide here, enough room to park and also to set up and easel on the side of the road. Great Photography opportunities year round, but especially in Fall, with view toward south (Zaengle Preserve—Oblong L C) From South, Take Rte. 22, pass the turnoff for Rte 55 WEST, continue to traffic light, then straight, through another traffic light, past Trinity Pawling School and ½ mile further is the left turn for River Road. Cross RR track, take River Road for ½ mile to where you can see the River. From north, this is a right turn ½ south of Pete's Native Landscaping.

6. Lakeside Park, West Dover Road, Pawling. Turn into Lakeside Park (Pawling Town Park) and park in lot. The Lake, a stream and the Meadows on a hill beyond are down a short walk beyond the Lathrop Center.

7. Ray Lake, Pawling Private property, open for some FrOGS special events only.

9. Patterson Environmental Park, Patterson Great Views of the East Branch Croton River

meandering through the Swamp and some upland oaks and tulip trees too. Great Spot for Painting or photography! Directions from South: North on Rte. 22 to Rte. 311. Left turn on Rte. 311, cross RR tracks and make immediate left turn onto Front Street. Continue down Front Street –being careful to STOP at each Stop Sign until the end (opposite Patterson Rec Center) then make a left and drive over the RR tracks (safely) onto dirt road into the Park and that leads down to the River.

From the north, make a right turn from Rte. 22 onto Rte. 311, then follow the directions above.

This is one the best wetland area views of the Swamp.

10. Muddy Brook Crossing of Cornwall Hill Road Great views of the wetlands and Muddy Brook on either side of the road. Unfortunately parking is on the road. Directions: Follow the Directions for Laurel Ledges but do not stop at the Laurel ledges, go 1/3 mile further on Cornwall Hill Road past the intersection with Couch Road and down the hill. The Muddy Brook crossing is at the bottom of that small hill before the RR tracks. You will have to paint from the roadside but it is a great view.

11. Sterling Farm Preserve on Couch Road. The preserve is names Tom's Walk at this point. There is a small parking lot. Great small brook, cross to right side of the road and south 100 yards and the preserve has a nice small wetland with great opportunity to paint botanic detail of wetlands plants. Directions from South: Head north on Rte. 22 to Rte. 164, make left hand turn onto Rte. 164 for 1 plus miles, the right turn onto Cornwall Hill Road. Continue ¼ mile past parking lot for Laurel Ledges to intersection with Couch Rd. Right turn onto Couch Road, parking lot is on left.

12. Laurel Ledges/Turtle Pond, off Cornwall Hill Road, Patterson (Putnam County Land Trust Preserve). One of best places for photographers. Great patterns on the rocky ledges, ferns, lichen and views of Turtle pond from the trail. Must carry paints in or backpack. Directions from South. North on Rte. 22 to Rte. 164. Left turn onto Rte. 164, go approx. 1 mile to right turn onto Cornwall Hill road. The parking area for the Laurel ledges trail is on right. From north, take Rte. 22 south to Rte. 164. The turn onto Rte. 164 will be on right, follow the directions to Cornwall Hill Road and the Preserve.

13. Turtle Pond, Patterson. Property of Bill and Shelia Hamilton may be open for painters on special Plein Air Painting Days. Check with FrOGS for dates.

14. Rte. 164 at Muddy Brook 1/10 mile further west than Cornwall Hill Road turn. There is limited parking on road.

15. Green Chimneys Beach and Boardwalk. Open weekends only. Great Views of East Branch Croton River both north and south from the beach or the bridge over the River. The boardwalk offers some traditional wetland views, cross the boardwalk into meadow views toward hills.

Directions: Take Rte. 22 north to Doansburg Road, (County Road 65) continue past post office 1 ½ miles Green Chimneys school is on right, take left turn into parking lot. Walk to riverside.

16. Clough Preserve, Town of Patterson Park. Wonderful wetland views. At end of trail, view of Ice Pond---but you cannot paint from the RR track right of way---stay in the Clough Preserve. Rte.22 north to Rte. 312 west to Farm to Market Road, make right pass school complex. The small parking lot is ¼ mile on left.

17. Michael Ciaiola Park and Great Hollow Preserve. Haviland Hollow Rd, Patterson and Rte. 37, CT. Ciaiola Park has wonderful woodlands and stream with waterfalls, Great Hollow has trails to Quaker Brook (which becomes Haviland Hollow Brook). Take Rte. 22. North to Haviland Hollow Rd (across from Patterson Auto Body. Right turn onto Haviland Hollow Road. At almost end of road is left into Ciaiola park parking lot. Continue ¼ mile further to left onto CT 37, 100 yards from there another left into Great Hollow Preserve parking lot.