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GREAT OUTDOOR ART CONTEST

The event is sponsored by the Springfield Arts Commission and Willamalane Park and Recreation District

All ages are invited to have fun creating art in the tradition of "plein air" artists who use the light, color, and sights that they see to paint a landscape, figure, or abstract design, all in one session. Using their own materials, participants will start a work of art between 7 and 10 am and complete it by 2 pm from locations within Island Park, or from other areas in Lane County on Saturday, July 26. **Advance registration \$7.50 for adults, \$1 for children and teens. Fees after July 19 are \$1 more.**

Judging will begin at 2 pm with the award ceremony between 3 and 3:30 pm. Ribbons will be presented for all participants, with special ribbons for 1st, 2nd, 3rd in each category. All first, second, and third place winners are invited to display their work as part of the Great Outdoor Art Show in the Springfield City Hall Gallery during the month of August.

Informational flyers available at Springfield Public Library, Willamalane Recreation Sites, Springfield Public Schools, art galleries, and art supply stores. Contact Springfield Arts Commission, 726-2237 for more information.

What: Great Outdoor Art Contest

When: Saturday, July 26; Registration between 7 and 10 am

Where: Island Park in Springfield

Additional Information: Contact Carrie Schindele-Cupples, 726-2237