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The artist and the photographer seek the mysteries and the adventure of experience in nature.

– Ansel Adams

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Featured Artists

Asia Anderson | Painter

Armand Cabrero | Painter, Media Artist

Ann Cheeks | Painter

Chris di Domizio | Painter

Malia Furtado* | Fiddler, Music Educator

Ben Greenberg | Photographer

Kelli Hertzler | Painter, Nature Journalist

Nancy Hershberger* | Fiber Artist

Sandy Kessler-Kaminski* | Drawing

LUA Project | Musical Performance

Carolina Mayorga | Drawing

Kevin Morgan | Photographer

Ines Sun* | Calligraphy

*Current and former Artists-in-Residence



Art was pivotal in the formation of our National Parks. Through the awe-inspiring works of the Hudson River School painters who captured the majestic Western landscapes back in the 1870's, the public came to see these special places in America for the first time. The works captured the public's imagination, spurring them to preserve these lands for future generations. Eventually the public lands movement moved East and in 1936, President Franklin D. Roosevelt dedicated Shenandoah National Park.



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About the Trust

As an official philanthropic partner of Shenandoah National Park, the Trust provides strategic investments in programs and initiatives that help protect, enhance, and preserve the resources of the park for all to enjoy — for this and future generations.

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Free Programming all weekend in the Central District – pop-up gallery, concerts, and workshops. See inside for details!



To learn more about Art in the Park, or the featured artists, please visit: snptrust.org/art-in-the-park

Scenes from Shenandoah Weekend Programming Schedule

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2023 Weekend Program Schedule

Reminders

Programs are outdoors. Wear proper shoes and clothes.

Friday, September 22

Inspired by Big Meadows | 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Ann Cheeks | Painter

With Big Meadows as inspiration, participants will create one-of-a-kind expressions of what excites them in Shenandoah National Park. Ann will encourage participants to experiment with what nature has to offer, using acrylics and multiple techniques, to create unique art in a fun workshop.

Rapidan Road Parking Area (Mile 51.1)

Joy of Writing | 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Ines Sun, SNPT Artist-In-Residence | Calligraphy

The joy of practicing calligraphy, an ancient art form, is rooted in our breathing. Participants will start with simple breathing exercises, then combine stroke practice with Chinese calligraphy brushes. Participants will learn how to hold the brush, connect with the breath, and draw a few Chinese characters inspired by the beauty of Shenandoah.

Art in the Park Tent at Byrd Visitor Center (Mile 51)

Joy of Writing | 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Ines Sun, SNPT Artist-In-Residence | Calligraphy

See earlier description.

Art in the Park Tent at Byrd Visitor Center (Mile 51)

Kick-Off Concert | 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Featuring LUA Project

Lua is a cultural pollinator, bridging together musical styles from different continents and different centuries. The music is inspired by Mexican Son, Appalachian song forms, Jewish and Eastern European tonalities, baroque melodic ideas, and Scots-Irish narrative storytelling approaches.

Big Meadows Amphitheater (Mile 51)

Saturday, September 23

Drawing Elements | 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Sandy Kessler-Kaminski | Drawing

Participants will create a collage of existing elements such as plans of Shenandoah and prints of plants and animals found in the park; participants can draw on the plans and elements in the park. Sandy will discuss her process and encourage participants to draw from life and life experience.

Limberlost Trailhead (Mile 43.1)

Watercolors and the Elements | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Asia Anderson | Painting

Asia will lead an easy-going workshop, using different watercolor techniques to create leafy elements in paintings.

Crescent Rock Overlook (Mile 44.4)

Keys to Quality Photos in Nature | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Ben Greenberg | Photography

This workshop will provide a foundation on the most important elements for capturing quality images of the natural world.

Rapidan Road Parking Area (Mile 51.1)

Sculpture and Drawing in Nature | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Carolina Mayorga | Drawing

Participants will celebrate the beauty of Shenandoah by creating a fun, eco-friendly sculpture and drawing project.

Art in the Park Tent at Byrd Visitor Center (Mile 51)

Painting Process in Nature | 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Armand Cabrera | Painting

Participants will enjoy discussing artistic process and inspiration while Armand creates a compelling painting.

Story of the Forest Trailhead (Mile 51)

Deepening Relationships with Artwork | 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Chris di Domizio | Photographer

Through this workshop, participants will achieve a deeper relationship with their artwork. The art “rules” of the past are art tools that can be used or not, depending on the desired effect. Chris will share art principles he used to paint the portrait of President Jimmy Carter which is now in the Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery.

Crescent Rock Overlook (Mile 44.4)

Fabric Postcards | 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Nancy Hershberger | Quilter

Participants will make fabric postcards. Each postcard will be a mini landscape fused onto a postcard that can be sent in the mail. This workshop is sponsored by the Oak Spring Garden Foundation.

Art in the Park Tent at Byrd Visitor Center (Mile 51)

Inspired by Big Meadows | 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Ann Cheeks | Painter

See earlier description.

Rapidan Road Parking Area (Mile 51.1)

Nature Journaling | 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Kelli Hertzler | Drawing

Participants will take time to notice the details and rhythms happening in the park around them. They will write, diagram, sketch, and paint what they notice. Each will be led by their own curiosity, with the goal not of creating a pretty picture (although that might happen!), but of learning what they do not know. No art skill required.

Limberlost Trailhead (Mile 43.1)

Painting Process in Nature | 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Armand Cabrera | Painting

See earlier description.

Story of the Forest Trailhead (Mile 51)

Photo Opportunities in Shenandoah | 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Ben Greenberg | Photographer

See earlier description.

Rapidan Road Parking Area (Mile 51.1)

Evening Concert | 7:30 p.m. – 8:20 p.m.

Malia Furtado | Fiddler & Music Educator

Enjoy a musical performance by an award-winning former Artist-in-Residence and lifelong park neighbor.

Big Meadows Amphitheater (Mile 51)

Sunday, September 24

Drawing Elements | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Sandy Kessler-Kaminski | Drawing

See earlier description.

Crescent Rock Overlook (Mile 44.4)

Nature Journaling | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Kelli Hertzler | Drawing

See earlier description.

Limberlost Trailhead (Mile 43.1)

Story of the Woods | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Kevin Morgan | Photography

Participants will hike in the Big Meadows area and focus on the “Story of the Woods” through photography.

Rapidan Road Parking Area (Mile 51.1)

Fabric Postcards | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Nancy Hershberger | Quilter

See earlier description.

Art in the Park Tent at Byrd Visitor Center (Mile 51)

Pop-Up Gallery – Big Meadows Lodge

Stop by to see work from our Artists-in-Residence:

Friday 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.