Orit Rueben, Guest Artist participating in the 2023 Painting in the Shade



May 2023 NEWS AND EVENTS



Join us for the 3rd annual celebration of the beauty of Havana. *Painting in the Shade* Plein Air art event brings artists from around the area to once again paint outdoors, capturing the moment when the light is right and the shadows hang, highlighting their chosen subjects.

This years' event will be held at the Havana History Museum at 204 2nd Street. From the "Wet Room" to the closing night Gala artists will hang their daily creations along side their previously created works.

Interested in trying your hand at Plein Air?

Try the "Quick Draw", from 10:00am-12:00pm. Register to participate and join us at the Clock in downtown Havana. The two hour event will be judged and prizes will be awarded at the Gala later the evening.

The First Presbyterian Church will host a lunch for all participating artists along with a talk by guest artist Orit Reuben on Friday, May 19 at 12:15 in their Friendship Hall. Come enjoy this lunch and learn, it is open to all.

Artists are tasked with creating at least one new work everyday of the event. These works will be on display BUT only available for sale the evening of the Closing Gala. *Previously painted work is available for sale the entire time of the event.*

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

EVENT VENUE:

Havana History Museum (HHM) 204 2nd Street

May 18: Artists arrive with previously painted work, sign in and proceed to selected painting areas. Artist continue to paint throughout the day. Bring "Wet Work" to the Gallery at the HHM to hang.

Refreshments supplied by the First Presbyterian Church

May 19: Artists continue painting at their chosen locations

Artist Talk - Noon at the First Presbyterian Church Guest Artist Orit Reuben and lunch will be provided by the Church

Gallery Opening - 5:00pm-7:00pm at HHM. Open to the public.

May 20: Artists continue painting at their chosen locations till noon.

Quick Draw - 10:00am -12:00pm- Participants bring their finished pieces to HHM for display and judging. *Judging of "Wet Work" takes place at 1:00pm.* Julie Bowland, Valdosta State University Professor of Art, retired, will be this years judge. Gallery

will be closed to the public during the judging process.

Closing Gala Reception - 7:00pm-9:00pm This is a ticketed event, \$50.00 with limited seating. <u>Sponsorships are available which provides</u> <u>an Early Bird Entry and first selection of the new</u> <u>works. Early entry is from 6:00pm to 7:00pm</u>

Music provided by Reece Cloud Quartet

Additional information about sponsorship, participation and volunteering opportunities can be found on the Havana Main Street Facebook page or at www.havanamainstreet.com/events

Havana - A very Different Florida



Saturday April 29 the Havana History Museum was the scene of a very welcome come back to Havana. What a Wonderful World, a tribute to Louis Armstrong, led by world renown jazz musician Longineu Parsons, had the rafters shaking in the Havana History Museum.

The concert was the brainchild of Program Coordinator Jane Nipps, and supported by an army of volunteers. Music is coming back to Havana.

Starting at 8:00pm, guests started filing in at 7:00pm and the concert didn't end until after 10:00pm, including one encore of the classic "When The Saints Come Marching In" with Longineu leading the conga line himself. People eagerly joined in, applauding all the way and as the band made their exit.

Even the weather cooperated. The rain came and went and afterwards the temperature dropped and the un-airconditioned Community Room of the Museum was as cool as the music itself. Almost 250 seats were sold all with good views of the band with room to dance.

It was a wonderful evening, leaving the audiance wanting more!



Be a part of making it happen! Volunteers make the events a success.

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