



## Call For Artists: Oceanside Museum Of Art Plein Air Festival, July 24–31, 2021

OCEANSIDE, CA (April 7, 2021)—Oceanside Museum of Art (OMA) is inviting artists at any level of experience to come to the burgeoning coastal city of Oceanside to paint Southern California in the open air alongside renowned featured artists Mark Fehlman, Danny Griego, Margaret Larlham, and Shuang Li during its inaugural Plein Air Festival scheduled for July 24–31, 2021. Oceanside offers gorgeous coastlines, charming cityscapes, peaceful lagoons, rolling hills with lush flora and fauna, and the historic Mission San Luis Rey, among other visual splendor to capture on canvas or other media of choice. In addition to having the opportunity for all-day independent free painting throughout the festival, registered artists may participate in a number of scheduled painting events included with registration, as well as add ticketed workshops with the festival's featured artists at a discounted rate.

Festival artists will enjoy a number of opportunities to sell their artwork during the week-long event as well as submit two pieces for awards consideration and the possibility to be juried into an exhibition at OMA August 1-October 10. Awards judging and exhibition jurying will be done by lauded plein air artist Scott W. Prior and widely-recognized expert on plein air painting Jean Stern along with OMA's executive director, Maria Mingalone.

Registration for the Plein Air Festival is open now with discounted early-bird rates through April 30: standard \$55 and OMA Artist Alliance (OMA AA) members \$45. Rates increase on May 1 to \$75 for standard registration and \$65 for OMA AA. Students with valid ID for the Spring, Summer, or Fall 2021 terms may register for free and are strongly encouraged to participate. Festival details and the link to register are online at [bit.ly/2021-pa](https://bit.ly/2021-pa).

**High resolution images and captions can be downloaded here: [bit.ly/images-PAF2021](https://bit.ly/images-PAF2021)**

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### ***About OMA***

*Oceanside Museum of Art (OMA) is centerstage in one of only 14 designated California Cultural Districts. Located in downtown Oceanside, the museum is a few blocks from the beautiful Pacific Ocean and easily accessible along the cultural corridor between Los Angeles and Tijuana. A gathering place where friends and family meet to experience the inspiring and transformative power of arts and culture, OMA showcases a diverse array of works by Southern California artists that is sometimes edgy, sometimes traditional, and frequently unexpected—but never ordinary. In addition to acclaimed exhibitions, OMA also offers hands-on workshops, informative lectures, and community events for all ages. For details on museum hours and exhibitions, as well as available onsite and virtual programming, visit [www.oma-online.org](http://www.oma-online.org).*