

PJ's (Plein Janes/Joes) LAA Plein Air Painters – September 2021

As always, you need to decide if weather conditions are suitable for you to paint. We won't announce any cancellations for weather. We will paint from 9:00-12:00 unless otherwise specified, but you are encouraged to stay longer or leave earlier, according to your own need and wishes.

September 2021 Schedule

Sept 3 - Bee Hugger, 12590 Ute Highway (CO Hwy 66), Longmont. From the intersection of Hover Rd. and Ute Highway, drive east for 3.8 miles. Farm is on south side of Ute Hwy. Fields of sunflowers in bloom, old farm equipment, farm animals, tractor climbing, bee watching, honey and eggs to buy, U-pick sunflowers, and more! Cash or Venmo accepted. Donations encouraged, but not required.

Sept 10 – Haystack Mountain Golf Club, 5877 Niwot Rd, Niwot. From CO 119 (Diagonal hwy), drive north on 63rd St. past Coot Lake to the intersection with Niwot Rd. Turn left and go about ½ mile to the sign that says Haystack Mountain Golf Club. Turn right onto an unpaved driveway (not too long a drive) which leads you into the golf club parking lot. Park anywhere then walk over to the golf clubhouse. We'll meet where the outdoor tables with umbrellas are and go from there. This family-owned golf club has been there for 65 years and has been a family-friendly place where many have taught their kids to play golf. Sadly, this will be PJs first and last time painting there as the property has been sold and the golf club will close forever later in September. Enjoy the fairways with views of Haystack Mountain, the unpretentious atmosphere of the golf course, the farm equipment around the grounds, the gorgeous gardens and wedding venue area, and the beautiful buildings surrounding the wedding area. Restrooms available inside the clubhouse, as well as drinks and maybe snacks too.

Sept 17 – Pella Crossing, Hygiene. From the Diagonal Highway (CO 119), exit at Monarch Rd. and go west to where it crosses N. 71st St. Follow N. 71st as it curves around to the northeast and crosses N. 73rd St. Then drive N. 73rd as it curves around to the northeast past Lagerman Reservoir and becomes N. 75th St. Stay on N. 75th as it crosses Nelson Rd. and St. Vrain Rd. and ends up at Pella Crossing. This wetlands habitat was wiped out in the 2013 flood but has been restored as a home for many mammals, amphibians, birds and fish. On site are picnic tables, shelters, a parking lot and restrooms. There are many varieties of grasses, trees and wildflowers around the wetlands. A short distance north on N. 75th is the tiny hamlet of Hygiene with its Crane Hollow Café and Purple Door Market.

September 24 – Agricultural Heritage Center, 8348 Ute Highway, Longmont. One route is to go to Pella Crossing and continue north on N. 75th St. to where it ends at Ute Highway (CO 66). Go right on 66 until you see the farm on your right. The farm is located just north of Lake McIntosh, though you can't get to it from the lake. Other routes are possible if you consult your map or GPS. Take a step back in history to the 1900-1925 era, just before the coming of the Modern

Age. This site is a favorite educational field trip for school kids, but it isn't usually used for that at this time of year. Highlights of the site: animals (pigs, sheep, chickens, draft horses), 1909 farmhouse, two barns, milkhouse, heirloom garden, and blacksmith shop. You can schedule a free tour if interested (find name and number on website). Parking and restrooms available. **Please note: because the site doesn't open until 10 a.m., today only PJs will meet from 10-1.**

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