



## Second Annual Weir Farm NHS Art Contest and *Art in the Park* Festival



### What?

Weir Farm National Historic Site, the Friends of Weir Farm, and the Weir Farm Art Center will host an *Art in the Park* Festival, culminating with the announcement of the winners of this year's art contest. The event will include art demonstrations, activity stations, free-to-use art supplies, refreshments, music, and more! Advanced artists are encouraged to bring their supplies, and the park will provide supplies for those that don't have their own. All visitors will have the opportunity to create works of art and enter the contest by displaying their work in an on-site exhibition. Following the festival, all entries are eligible to be part of an exhibit at the G&B Cultural Center for the month of September and have their work seen in the community all month! The park welcomes artists, neighbors, national park lovers, and visitors of all ages and experience levels to create *Art in the Park* during this free day-long event.

### When?

The *Art in the Park* Festival will be held on Saturday August 25th, 2018 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Art supplies and activity stations will be available throughout the day, and demonstration sessions will take place throughout the day. There will be an open house at the historic Weir House and the Friends of Weir Farm will provide refreshments. From Artists can create, submit, and display works all day. Entries will be on view all day with judging at 3:00 pm. Winners will be announced at 4:00 pm.

### How do I participate?

In addition to submitting works at the festival, visitors and artists can enter by dropping off original artwork at the park during visitor center hours. Entries will be judged on use of color, quality of work, originality, creativity, and how well the work relates to the theme, *Impressions of Weir Farm*. Contest categories include Junior Artist, Adult Artist, and Professional/Advanced Artist for those working on canvases, etc. The winner of the professional artist category will receive the *Weir Masterpiece Award* and during the festival visitors will have the chance to vote for their favorite and help determine a winner for the *Visitor's Choice Award*. For more details about the event or the art contest, call 203-834-1896 or visit [www.nps.gov/wefa](http://www.nps.gov/wefa).