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ENJOY THE ART OF “OUT IN THE OPEN PAINTING” WITH SHELDON PLEIN AIR CLASS SERIES

- Event:** Plein Air Painting Class Series
with Artist and Instructor Sarah Lorentz
- When:** September 24, October 1, October 8 & October 22 from 9 a.m. to noon
- Where:** Meet at The Sheldon – painting locations will vary by class
- Tickets:** \$160 Four Class Series
To register visit TheSheldon.org by September 16

St. Louis, MO – The Sheldon Art Galleries presents a **Plein Air Painting Class Series** with artist and instructor Sarah Lorentz. Registrants will meet at The Sheldon, with painting locations varying by class. Some class supplies will be provided, a list of additional needs will be sent to registrants.

Inspired by the work of artist Wallace Herndon Smith, currently on view at The Sheldon, this class series will encourage artists to explore the method of plein air, or “out in the open” painting. Led by Sarah Lorentz, the class series is open to all skill levels and will use watercolor as the primary medium to teach participants the skills and techniques to paint the landscapes and cityscapes around them.

Plein air painting is about leaving the four walls of the studio behind and experiencing painting and drawing in the landscape. The practice goes back for centuries but was truly made into an art form by the French Impressionists. Their desire to paint light and its changing, ephemeral qualities, coupled with the creation of transportable paint tubes and the box easel—the precursor to the plein air easels of today—allowed artists the freedom to paint “en plein air.”

To register, visit TheSheldon.org by September 16. For more information, call The Sheldon during normal business hours, Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. or visit TheSheldon.org.

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