Call for Artists!

The Great Swamp Celebration

Juried Art and Photography Show 2021

Christ Church on Quaker Hill
17 Church Road, Pawling, NY 12564

AND Online!

October 23rd, 11AM-5PM & October 24th, Noon-4PM

Online Gallery open October 25th thru November 15th

~Cash Prizes Will Be Awarded!~

Artists are invited to submit up to four (4) pieces of art work for the competition, submission will be of digital images and the physical work is to be hand delivered on 10/21/21 if accepted. There is no cost to submit. There will be a $10 hanging fee for each accepted work and FrOGS will retain a 30% commission on all works sold.

Cash Awards: $200 (first), $125 (second) and $75 (third) for both Photography and 2D Art

The Show will be a hybrid in-person and online show this year. We are excited to be once again holding an in person event, and due to the popularity of our virtual show & gallery last year, we've decided to do both! By continuing to offer the show virtually this year we can reach a wider audience that might not be able to, or feel comfortable, attending an in-person event. The in-person show will be held at Christ Church on Quaker Hill October 23rd, 11AM-5PM & October 24th, Noon-4PM. The online show will go live through our website (www.frogs-ny.org) on October 25th and will run through November 15th.

Submitted images should reflect the beauty and diversity of the Great Swamp and the surrounding watershed. All works must be of subjects and locations found within the Great Swamp Watershed or our ‘additional listed areas for 2021’ to be accepted, see attached list for additional accepted locations for 2021.

Photography will be judged separately from painting, which includes drawing, graphics and other mixed media. For each submitted image, please provide a short statement (no more than 50 words) explaining why the subject inspired you and the location. These statements will be displayed with accepted works. The largest framed dimension of any work is not to exceed 36”.

***Deadline for submissions is midnight Monday, October 4th. You will be notified by email regarding acceptance by Saturday October 9th. ***

Identify your images by using the file name protocol: ArtistName-Title-Medium-Dimensions-Price
Example: JaneDoe-SwampScene-Photograph-18x20-150.jpg

Friends of the Great Swamp, P. O. Box 373, Pawling, NY 12564 ~ www.frogs-ny.org ~ info@frogs-ny.org
Please send with the subject line “Art Show 2021” and be sure to include: your name, mailing address, email address, phone number and a short statement about each work, as well as Title, Medium, Dimensions and Price (including frame). Submit in jpeg format, maximum size 4”x 6” @300dpi for judging. Incomplete submissions cannot be accepted.

Accepted works prepared for hanging must be delivered to Christ Church on Thursday, October 21st from 2PM to 7PM. Works that are not properly framed or prepared & wired for hanging may not be accepted. Hanging fees can be paid at drop off or via Square from October 9th to 21st.

There will be a $10 hanging fee for each accepted work. Hanging fees can be paid for at: https://tinyurl.com/y2zzxy63
Hanging fee must be received by: 10/21/2021

FrOGS will also retain a 30% commission on all works sold at the Show.

Some recommended painting & photography spots in the Great Swamp

1. Chippawalla Road Crossing of the Swamp River  Great views of the Swamp River and its wetland from the bridge crossing of the Swamp River. Some great large trees! Blue Iris in spring.
   Directions from South: Take Rte. 22 north past the old Harlem Psych Center (now Olivet University) in Wingdale and continue past the traffic light at Pleasant Ridge Road for about 1 mile. Slow down—the left turn for Chippawalla Rd is a sharp left and a gravel road. Follow the road ¼ mile further to the bridge. Park on the side of the road. Coming from north, take Rte 22 south, past county Rte. 26 on right, Chippawalla Road is ½ mile further on the right.

2. Slocum-Mostachetti Preserve (Oblong Conservancy) Great views of small meadow with summer and fall wildflowers and beautiful red cedar trees and trail to wetlands.
   Directions from South: Take Rte. 22 north past the old Harlem Valley Psych Center (now Olivet) to the traffic light at Pleasant Ridge Road. Make left onto Pleasant Valley Road, go .8 mile (you will have crossed over the RR tracks) The dirt road to the Preserve is on the right, make the sharp turn and drive past old house and take the dirt road as it curves past the house and 300 yards to the rear. Stop at the gate and park on the dirt road. Walk beyond the gate into the Preserve. Form the north, follow Rte. 22 to Pleasant Ridge Road, Right onto Pleasant Ridge and follow same directions to preserve.

2A. DEC Fishing Area Parking Lot ¼ Mile south of Pleasant Ridge Road make a left (coming from the south) onto Wheeler Rd. Cross RR tracks, DEC parking area is on right. There is a small boat launch path to Swamp River. Good marsh views from there.

3. Pawling Nature Preserve—access to Appalachian Trail there. Until last week in September—then closed for hunting. From South, take Rte. 22 north, past Trinity Pawling School to right turn onto Hurd Corners Road. Follow road to left on Quaker Lake Road, then follow Quaker Lake Road past the Lake to the parking lots for the trails. Trails go up the hill to Appalachian Trail on the Hill. Great Views of Swamp and Valley Below. NOTE: Quaker Lake itself is Private. From North travel south on Rte 22 to Hurd Corners Road, Make left onto it then follow rest of directions.
4. Appalachian Trail Crossing of Swamp River on west side of Rte. 22. There is a small parking lot on the west side of Rte 22, just south of Native Landscaping. Cross RR track on foot and follow the Boardwalk trail to the bridge crossing the Swamp River. Continue on the trail into the woods and up the hill if you want or turn around there. Many opportunities to photograph or paint, spring marsh with for-get-me-nots, cattail marsh, fall wildflower—arrow arum and the Swamp River at this point.

5. River Road Crossing of Swamp River, Pawling Good view of Swamp River from the roadside. The roadside is wide here, enough room to park and also to set up and easel on the side of the road. Great Photography opportunities year round, but especially in Fall, with view toward south (Zaenle Preserve—Oblong L C) From South, Take Rte. 22, pass the turnoff for Rte 55 WEST, continue to traffic light, then straight, through another traffic light, past Trinity Pawling School and ½ mile further is the left turn for River Road. Cross RR track, take River Road for ½ mile to where you can see the River. From north, this is a right turn ½ mile south of Pete’s Native Landscaping.

6. Lakeside Park, West Dover Road, Pawling. Turn into Lakeside Park (Pawling Town Park) and park in lot. The Lake, a stream and the Meadows on a hill beyond are down a short walk beyond the Lathrop Center.

7. Ray Lake, Pawling. Private property, open for some FrOGS special events only.

9. Patterson Environmental Park, Patterson Great Views of the East Branch Croton River meandering through the Swamp and some upland oaks and tulip trees too. Great Spot for Painting or photography! Directions from South: North on Rte. 22 to Rte. 311. Left turn on Rte. 311, cross RR tracks and make immediate left turn onto Front Street. Continue down Front Street—being careful to STOP at each Stop Sign until the end (opposite Patterson Rec Center) then make a left and drive over the RR tracks (safely) onto dirt road into the Park and that leads down to the River. From the north, make a right turn from Rte. 22 onto Rte. 311, then follow the directions above. This is one the best wetland area views of the Swamp.

10. Muddy Brook Crossing of Cornwall Hill Road Great views of the wetlands and Muddy Brook on either side of the road. Unfortunately parking is on the road. Directions: Follow the Directions for Laurel Ledges but do not stop at the Laurel ledges, go 1/3 mile further on Cornwall Hill Road past the intersection with Couch Road and down the hill. The Muddy Brook crossing is at the bottom of that small hill before the RR tracks. You will have to paint from the roadside but it is a great view.

11. Sterling Farm Preserve on Couch Road. Park at Tom’s Path parking lot. Cross the road and walk south 100 yards to enter the preserve which has a nice small wetland with great opportunity to paint botanic detail of wetlands plants. Directions from South: Head north on Rte. 22 to Rte. 164, make left turn onto Rte. 164, then after 0.5 mile, turn right on Couch Road and travel one mile until just before the intersection with Cornwall Hill Road. Tom’s Path parking lot is on the right.

12. Laurel Ledges/Turtle Pond, off Cornwall Hill Road, Patterson (Putnam County Land Trust Preserve). One of best places for photographers. Great patterns on the rocky ledges, ferns, lichen and views of Turtle pond from the trail. Must carry paints in or backpack. Directions from South. North on Rte. 22 to Rte. 164. Left turn onto Rte. 164, go approx. 1 mile to right turn onto Cornwall Hill road. The parking area for the Laurel ledges trail is on right. From north, take Rte. 22 south to Rte. 164. The turn onto Rte. 164 will be on right, follow the directions to Cornwall Hill Road and the Preserve.
13. **Turtle Pond**, Patterson. Property of Bill and Shelia Hamilton may be open for painters on special Plein Air Painting Days. Check with FrOGS for dates.

14. **Rte. 164 at Muddy Brook** 1/10 mile further west than Cornwall Hill Road turn. There is limited parking on road.

15. **Green Chimneys Beach and Boardwalk.** (due to Covid-19 restriction, please check with Green Chimneys before visiting) Open weekends only. Great Views of East Branch Croton River both north and south from the beach or the bridge over the River. The boardwalk offers some traditional wetland views, cross the boardwalk into meadow views toward hills.

   Directions: Take Rte. 22 north to Doansburg Road, (County Road 65) continue past post office 1 ½ miles Green Chimneys school is on right, take left turn into parking lot. Walk to riverside.

16. **Clough Preserve, Town of Patterson Park.** Wonderful wetland views. At end of trail, view of Ice Pond---but you cannot paint from the RR track right of way---stay in the Clough Preserve. Rte.22 north to Rte. 312 west to Farm to Market Road, make right pass school complex. The small parking lot is ¼ mile on left.

17. **Michael Ciaiola Park and Great Hollow Preserve.** Haviland Hollow Rd, Patterson and Rte. 37, CT. 

   Ciaiola Park has wonderful woodlands and stream with waterfalls, Great Hollow has trails to Quaker Brook (which becomes Haviland Hollow Brook). Take Rte. 22 North to Haviland Hollow Rd (across from Patterson Auto Body). Right turn onto Haviland Hollow Road. Near the end of road turn left into Ciaiola Park parking lot. Alternatively, continue ¼ mile further onto CT 37, turn left, and then immediately left into Great Hollow Preserve parking lot.

**Additional wetland and river locations connected to our Great Swamp ecosystem which can be included for the 2021 show.**

1. **Route 55 Swamp/Wetlands** in Pawling by Appalachian Trail/Nuclear Lake trailhead.

2. **Wimisick Preserve** (Rte 39 Sherman, CT) - fantastic cattail marsh!

3. **Pawling Nature Preserve** - all of it!

4. **Nellie Hill** (Great Thicket Preserve, USFW) Rte 22, Dover Plains (yes there is a pond there)

5. **Ten Mile River**, riverside from Amenia to Bulls Bridge incl. Wassaic State Multiple Use Area and Webutuck Creek and Wassaic Creek

6. **Cat Rocks Trail** – Appalachian Trail, Pawling

7. **East Branch Croton Reservoir and River** from Milltown Road and EBC River south to Railroad Avenue. plus the trail along the west side of the Diverting Reservoir.