



Fact Sheet – Friends of Warner Parks – April 2018

Event Partner	Friends of Warner Parks
Event Theme	“Honor the Earth” (connecting to Earth Day 2018, Sunday, April 22)
Event Dates	April 19 – 22
• Patrons Party	Thursday, April 19; 5:30 – 8:30
• Exhibit	Friday – Sunday, April 20 – 22; Fri. & Sat. 9:00 - 5:00 ; Sun. 12:00 – 5:00
Event Venue	Warner Park Nature Center 7311 Highway 100 Nashville, TN 37221 Phone: (615) 862-8555
Members-only Sneak Preview	Thursday, April 19, 3:30 – 5:00 (NOTE : all Chestnuts members who display work in the exhibit have been asked to attend the Patrons Event – others will depart by 5.)
Event Co-Chairs	Judson Newbern – judson.newbern@gmail.com or (615) 673-5393 Anne Goetze – anniemae9@aol.com or (615) 948-5550
Painting Location Options and Available Subject Matter	The 3187 acres of Edwin and Percy Warner Parks, including the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Park landscapes, hiking and horse trails, roads, picnic and shelter facilities • Little Harpeth River, ecological zones, creeks, trees, plant and animal wildlife • Area around Warner Park Nature Center • Trailhead for new biking trail • Equestrian Center and bridle trails • Cross country courses and sports fields • Percy Warner and Harpeth Hills Golf Courses • Edwin Warner Dog Park • Hodge House and Cedar Glen Spring House • Steeplechase horse track • Scenic overlooks, including new view sheds (to be announced) • Hill Tract property, old-growth forest, and Hill farm/barn (when escorted during announced tours by staff members from Warner Parks) • Newly opened Burch Reserve (when escorted during announced tours by staff members from Warner Parks) • Rich variety of wildlife native to middle Tennessee and observed in Warner Parks
Painting Guidelines and Restrictions	We hope that you were able to start painting during the fall as this is a very tight window to complete our artwork for April. You may either participate in organized Chestnut Group paint outs that will be announced, or certainly paint independently. Please make the time to paint as Warner Parks have a large, and very loyal fan base, who are excited about this exhibition.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You may paint independently within any area of the Warner Parks territories, except for the following areas: <p>Hill Tract property (including the Hill barn area) and the adjoining Burch Reserve – these areas require park staff accompaniment – group paint outs will be organized and announced for these areas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is vital that all State Natural Area guidelines be respected <u>Remember, the buddy system is the safest way to travel and paint!</u> Please review and abide by “Leave No Trace and Member Etiquette” guidelines located under Resources tab While inside Warner Parks, we strongly encourage the use of Gamblin Solvent Free Gel in place of regular solvents, and the use of Gamblin Sunflower Oil for brush cleaning Park hours are dawn until 11 p.m. The Chestnut Group Facebook page (for Members) is a great resource for information on organized paint outs, or for members seeking other members to paint with.
Restrooms	<p>There are several public restrooms available which are designated on the maps below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nature Center – restrooms are accessible 24/7 all year Restrooms along the Little Harpeth River associated with picnic and shelter facilities are closed from October until April
Parking	<p>There are multiple parking areas designated on the maps below</p>
Printable Maps	<p>http://warnerparks.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/12/percy_warner_map_0001.jpg http://warnerparks.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/12/edwin_warner_map_0001.jpg</p>
Other Resources	<p>http://www.nashville.gov/Parks-and-Recreation/Nature-Centers-and-Natural-Areas/Warner-Park-Nature-Center</p> <p>The Nature Center offers monthly news, called 'NutHatch News'. Chestnuts will need to sign up to receive them by email to vera.vollbrecht@nashville.gov to get added to list.</p> <p>Get updates on Warner Park Nature Center happenings and more. E-mail wpnc@nashville.gov to be added to the list.</p>
Painting Submissions	<p>► <u>Number and Sizes of Paintings Allowed</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Size explanation for Warner Parks exhibit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Mini</u> = smaller than 8x10 (less than 80 sq. in.) <u>Medium</u> = 8x10 and up to and including 16x20 (from 80 to 320 sq. in.) <u>Large</u> = larger than 16x20 (greater than 320 sq. in.) up to a maximum of 30x40 (1200 sq. in.) There will be a <u>limit of 5 paintings</u> for this exhibit (see 4-painting option below) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only 1 of which may be a Mini size And, only 1 of which may be a Large size Example A: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 painting – Mini 1 painting – Large 3 paintings – Medium

- Example B:
 - 1 painting – Mini, or 1 painting – Large
 - 4 paintings – Medium
- Example C:
 - 5 paintings – Medium

FOUR-PAINTING OPTION WITH TWO LARGE PAINTINGS

Under this option, you may submit 2 Large paintings, but instead of 5 total paintings, there will be a limit of 4 total paintings. Of the 2 remaining paintings, only 1 may be a Mini size.

Note:

- Large paintings (those larger than 16x20 and up to 30x40) may require display easels with dedicated lighting. The Chestnut Group has 12 new easels with attached lighting assemblies that are available to members on a first come, first served basis.
- Please refrain from using heavy frames on larger painting sizes within the Medium size category (e.g., 12x16, 14x18, and 16x20). Our 3-panel display systems were not designed to support exceptionally heavy paintings.

▶ 100% Donated Paintings

Minimum size of 8x10, and there is no limit on the number of donated paintings. The Warner Parks exhibit will have a silent auction for the 100% donated paintings.

▶ Subject Matter

The subject matter for all of the paintings submitted for this show (including 100% donated paintings) must be from Warner Parks or wildlife indigenous to the Park. In addition to landscape paintings, wildlife paintings are encouraged for the Warner exhibit as well. Wildlife reference photos (if used) *must be the artist's own original photographs taken by the artist*. Please have photographs available in the event an issue arises.

▶ Framing Guidelines

- Solid wood construction
- Since we are a plein air painting organization, plein air style frames are recommended, but not required (Google “plein air frames” and click “images” for examples)
- Gold, silver, bronze frames
- Black, brown, and single tone stained wood frames, with or without gold or silver trim (e.g., liner lips)
- Tastefully, subdued color-painted frames; for example, white, off-white, pale green, antiqued gray or blue, etc.
- Plein air styled “floater” frames are acceptable; if using a floater, the edge of the painting panel or canvas should be painted
- **NOT** allowed are saw tooth hangers, which are often unreliable and do not hide display panel hanging hooks.
- **NOT** acceptable are gallery-wrapped canvases, roughly distressed wood, low-quality or damaged materials

In order to help ensure a consistent plein air exhibit look and feel, and a level of quality throughout the show, the chairpersons reserve the right to request that paintings with frames that they deem inappropriate or unacceptable be re-framed.

Title Block Deadline	The Title Block deadline is Midnight, Friday, April 13th. See Resources page for title block submission procedures and the link to the form that must be completed for each painting.
Artwork Drop Off and Pickup Times	<p>Prior to drop off, print and complete a Hanging Painting Label form (see “Hanging Painting Labels” link on the Resources Page) for each painting. Affix the labels to your paintings as instructed on the form. Artwork drop off / check in time will be Tuesday, April 17, from Noon-5:00 p.m. at the Nature Center.</p> <p>Unsold artwork pick up time will be Monday, April 23, from Noon-4:00 p.m. at the Nature Center.</p>
Volunteers	<p>With the exception of our Executive Director, The Chestnut Group is a volunteer-based organization. Volunteers are essential to our success and make these events possible. If you would like to organize and host a Warner Parks paint out, or volunteer to help with this event, please contact one of the chairs above.</p> <p>To become a volunteer for the Warner show, we will be developing a link to SignUpGenius in the near future and posting the link in this fact sheet:</p>
Current Membership	Membership dues must be current to participate in Chestnut Group organized paint outs, functions, and exhibit events.
Questions?	Please contact Judson or Anne, or Rachel Blair at chestnutnews2@gmail.com or at (615) 504-7201.