

## SPEAKING FOR THE TREES & LOCKELAND SPRINGS PARK

The Chestnut Group Art Show & Sale – Open to public April 8-10, 2022

EVENT PARTNERS	Friends of Shelby Parks & Bottoms; The Chestnut Group; The Nashville Tree Conservation Corps;
EVENT THEME	<p>1. Elevating awareness of the need for greater Tree protection and advocacy in Davidson County</p> <p>2. Recognizing the successful fundraising by neighbors of Lockeland Springs Park to preserve 4 “green” acres adjacent to the Park from development</p> <p>Funds generated from art sales will channel thru the Tree Corps to the Friends of Shelby Parks &amp; Bottoms who will divide the proceeds between removing invasive undergrowth in Shelby to allow native trees to regenerate and helping to create an operational endowment to support the newly formed “Friends” organization for Lockeland Springs Park. Important links: <a href="https://www.lockelandspringspark.org/Lockeland_Springs_Park_Master_Plan">Lockeland Springs Park Master Plan</a>; <a href="https://www.lockelandspringspark.org/">https://www.lockelandspringspark.org/</a> <a href="https://www.lockelandspringspark.org/lockeland-springs-park">https://www.lockelandspringspark.org/lockeland-springs-park</a></p>
EVENT VENUE	<p><b>Shelby Bottoms Nature Center</b>          1900 Davidson St          Nashville, TN 37206          (615) 862-8539</p> <p>NOTE: The Nature Center and its adjacent parking area are accessed by taking the driveway under the elevated train trestle. You drive thru the spillover parking lots before going under the railroad trestle. (see attached Shelby map)</p>
EVENT DATES	<p>APR 4, Monday: <b>Painting Drop-off Time 12 – 4 PM</b>; Staging begins at Shelby Bottoms Nature Center</p> <p>APR 5, Tuesday: <b>Painting Drop-off Time 9:30 AM – 1 PM</b>; Complete installation and install labels</p> <p>APR 6, Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM</p> <p><b>Mayor’s &amp; Metro Parks VIP Reception/Show Opening Event Time TBD</b></p> <p>APR 7, Thursday: Friends &amp; Family Day 1:30 - 8:00 PM</p> <p><b>Member Preview: 2:30-4:00 PM</b></p> <p>Sponsors, Donors, Friends VIP <b>Patrons Party 5:00 - 8:00 PM</b></p> <p>APR 8-10, Friday, Saturday, Sunday: Public show 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM</p> <p>APR 11, Monday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Show Break-down; Silent Auction Purchases Pick-up <b>Photographing paintings for Online Show</b></p> <p>APR 12, Tuesday: <b>Artist PICK-UP DAY: 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM</b> – we vacate facility</p> <p>ONLINE SHOW: Paintings added to online Chestnut Gallery: APR 15-TBD  <i>(Members must sign online show waivers to opt-in)</i></p>
EVENT CHAIRS	<p>Renee Bates (co-chair) <a href="mailto:reeneebatesartist@gmail.com">reeneebatesartist@gmail.com</a> (615)642-3007</p> <p>Amanda Sites (co-chair) <a href="mailto:a.sites@me.com">a.sites@me.com</a> (615)400-8725</p> <p>Judson Newbern (President/co-chair) <a href="mailto:judson.newbern@gmail.com">judson.newbern@gmail.com</a> (615)673-5393</p>

PAINTING LOCALES  
AND  
SUBJECT MATTER

**TREES:** This show provides the opportunity to enter existing paintings that prominently feature trees from throughout middle Tennessee. We will ask that you enter the tree(s) locations in the “Title Block” submission information.

**LOCKELAND SPRINGS PARK (1810 Woodland Street) & VICINITY:** This is a small, natural area surrounded by homes that was acquired as a Metro Park years ago to protect its historic springs. It is not maintained as a formal park.

It was a rustic, woodlands that lost many canopy trees in the tornados of March 2020. Resulting sunlight allowed thick shrubs and meadow plants to cover the ground plane. The park is formed by a horseshoe-shaped, limestone basin surrounded by homes perched along the cliff-like edges.

Given the show’s scheduling constraints for capturing seasonal variations in this park, we are opening entries to include native birds, animals, plants, and wildflowers depicted in naturalized woodlands and pastures in Middle TN.

Because there is no lake in LSP – only wet-season creeks, floating and wading birds may not be included.

**NOTE – There is no parking area designated for the park. Neighbors are fine with visitors parking along the curbs but avoid blocking driveways.**

The **park entrance** is on the right-hand side at the dead end of Woodland St. Lockeland Elementary School, a landmark for locating this park. When facing the school, Woodland is the street on your left. **1810 Woodland St.** is the best address.

The land acquired that expands the park from the fundraising efforts wraps over to **1900 Forrest Ave** (parallel to Woodland St.). This address provides access to great views within the park. The original homeplace is at this address. It has too much structural damage for the new owners to salvage and will be replaced. Park on Forrest to paint this home. We are cleared to walk behind the house to paint deeper views of the woods and tiny creek. This area was spared the damage from the tornados. (Map below of Lockeland area)

**FOCUS AREAS:**

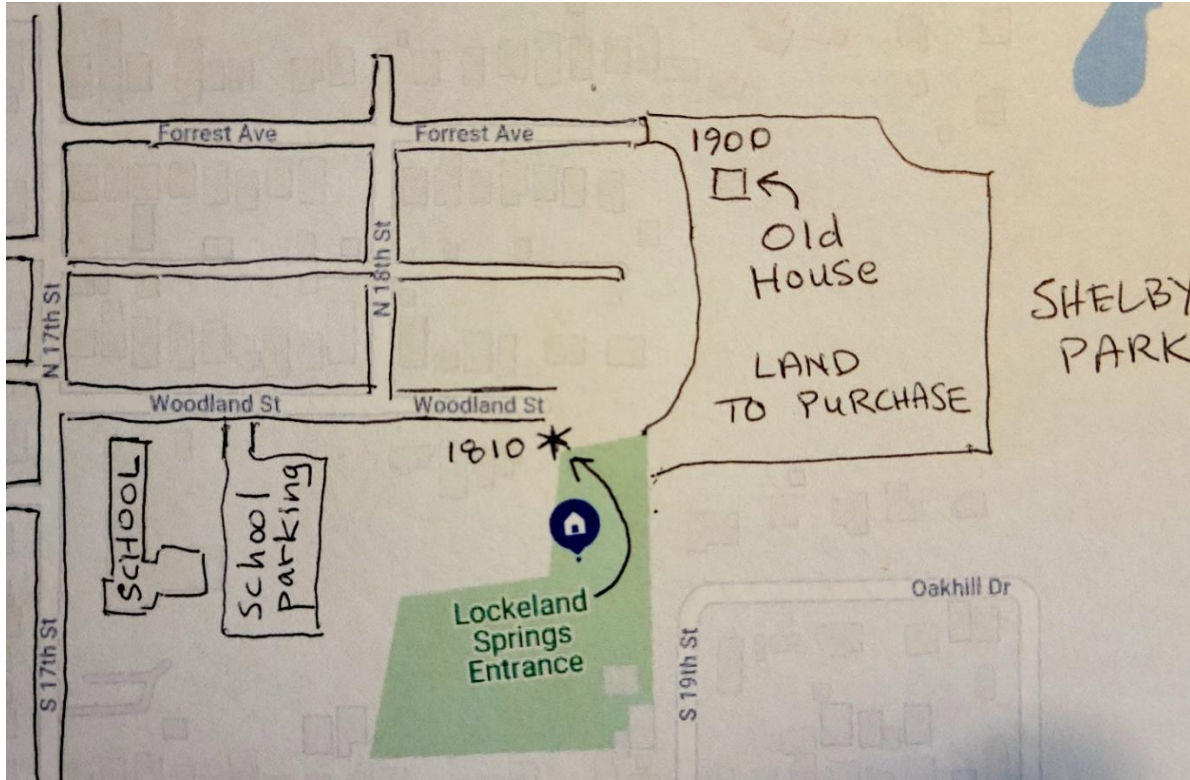
- Lockland Springs Park- any subject or view within or around the park
- The old home on Forrest Ave and the wooded area behind it that connects over to the park itself on Woodland St.
- Expanded Lockland Springs neighborhood, bridges, churches, houses, streets all surrounding Lockland Springs
- Middle Tennessee trees, forests, meadows, and all wildlife that live around or in the trees and open spaces
- Nashville tree canopy could include urban settings with trees
- Local parks and all landscapes with groups of trees or specimen
- NOTE: we are saving subject matter from **Shelby Park** for Shelby Park & Bottoms show, Earth Day 2023 but the trees are fine to paint now

	<p><u>Please refrain from <b>submitting any work associated with Franklin Parks, as The Friends of Franklin Park show is in November of this year - or works eligible for the Shelby Park show in April of 2023</b></u></p> <p>Reference photos if used, must be the artists own original photographs taken by the artist. Please have photographs available in the event an issue arises. All submitted works regardless of locale or subject matter, should reflect the Chestnut Groups tenants of plein air painting.</p>
<p>ORGANIZED PAINT OUTS</p>	<p><b>A major goal of this show is to get a greater number of our members to participate.</b> We will be posting a series of Saturday dates from roughly 11 – 3 when mentoring members will be painting in the park. We encourage less experienced members to show up and observe or simply learn how to take strong photos to use as reference for completing work at home.</p> <p><b>Please make an effort to join us</b> because connecting to other artists in our membership is how the learning takes place – and it’s fun!</p>
<p>HANDLING ARTWORK IMAGES FOR PROMOTIONAL PURPOSES</p>	<p>Email images of art as completed to <b>Ellen Bibb</b> at <a href="mailto:epbibb@me.com">epbibb@me.com</a> Label images in jpg format as follows and no larger than 2MB:  YourName_title_media_HeightxWidth.jpg Example - (BobRoss_flowers_oil_8x10.jpg)</p> <p><b>When posting your work to social media, please use hashtags:</b> #chestnutgroup #shelbypark #metroparks #locklandspringneighbors #locklandspringspark #paintingtopreserve #gallery #artpop #instaart #arts #artlife #artstagram #contemporaryart #artgallery #artshows #fineart #painting #art #artshowcase #artist #artsy #artwork #artistsoninstagram #artoftheday #landpreservation #nashville #nashvilleartist #middletennessee</p>
<p>PAINTING GUIDELINES AND RESTRICTIONS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remember, the buddy system is the safest way to travel and paint, particularly in remote locations.</li> <li>• Please review and abide by the “Leave No Trace and Member Etiquette” guidelines located under the Resources Tab on the Chestnut website.</li> <li>• The Chestnut Group Facebook page (for Members) is a great resource for information on organized paint outs, or members seeking other members to paint with.</li> </ul>

<p>PAINTING SUBMISSIONS</p>	<p><b>Number and Size of Permitted Paintings</b></p> <p><b>Number – Five (5) plus one donated for total of six (6) (per member)</b></p> <p>Each Chestnut member is strongly encouraged to donate one painting.</p> <p>45% of the sale proceeds go directly to the artist.</p> <p><b>Work may be any size up to 30”x 40” (not including frame)</b></p> <p><i>Final number of individual artist works exhibited will be contingent upon the total number and size of the works submitted. Each artist will be assured of a minimum of three (3) works in the exhibit. The three works will NOT include any donated pieces unless specially requested by the member. Paintings not hung initially will be securely stored at the exhibit. As other paintings sell they will be moved into the exhibit. Subsequent call for works will be issued should circumstances permit.</i></p>
<p>FRAMING GUIDELINES</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Solid wood construction</li> <li>• As a plein air painting organization, plein air style frames and floater frames are recommended, but not required (Google “plein air frames” and “floater” frames” click images for examples) If using a floater, the edge of the painting panel or canvas should be painted</li> <li>• Gold, silver, bronze frames</li> <li>• Black, brown, and single tone, stained wood frames, with or without gold or silver trim (e.g. liner lips)</li> <li>• Tastefully, subdued color painted frames: for example, white, off white, pale green, antique white, gray or blue, etc.</li> <li>• NOT permitted are gallery wrapped canvasses, unframed</li> <li>• NOT permitted are saw tooth hangers, which are often unreliable and do not hide display panel hanging hooks.</li> <li>• 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 reframed.</li> </ul>
<p>PRICING OF WORKS</p>	<p>A minimum price of \$250.00 has been established for this show. Any work submitted below that price will automatically be adjusted to the minimum price of \$250.00</p> <p>If you have questions on how to price your work, check out the section on the Chestnut Group Member Resources page (must be logged in) <a href="#">Participating in Chestnut Group Exhibitions and Shows.</a></p>
<p>TITLE BLOCK DEADLINE</p>	<p><b>The Title Block deadline is Midnight, Wednesday, March 30, 2022</b></p> <p><a href="https://chestnutgroup.org/title-block-submission/">Link to Title Block Submission https://chestnutgroup.org/title-block-submission/</a></p> <p><i>You must be logged in to the Chestnut Group site for links to be operational.</i></p>

ARTWORK DROP OFF / PICK UP	<p>Prior to drop off, print and complete a Hanging Painting Label form (see "Hanging Painting Labels" link on the Resources Page or <a href="#">click here</a>) for EACH painting. Affix labels to each painting as instructed on the form. Artwork drop off / check in times will be <b>Monday, April 4th, 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM and Tuesday, April 5, 9:30 – 1:00</b> at the main entrance of the Shelby Bottoms Nature Center.</p> <p>All unsold art must be PICKED UP <b>Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM.</b> A waiver must be signed at pickup for each piece to be included in the online show. Any unclaimed artwork will be donated to Friends of Shelby Parks and Bottoms.</p>
VOLUNTEERS	<p>The volunteer sheet will be posted in an announcement at a later date. It will also live on the website. Look for it on the website when you are logged in, under the Resources tab, "Community Partner Projects" tab, and down the page under "Lockeland Springs Park".</p> <p>Thank you for your support!</p>
CURRENT MEMBERSHIP	<p>Membership dues must be current to participate in group shows, organized paint outs, functions, and any associated exhibit events.</p>
QUESTIONS	<p>Judson Newbern — <a href="mailto:judson.newbern@gmail.com">judson.newbern@gmail.com</a> (615)673-5393  Renee Bates — <a href="mailto:reeneebatesartist@gmail.com">reeneebatesartist@gmail.com</a> (615) 642-3007  Amanda Sites — <a href="mailto:a.sites@me.com">a.sites@me.com</a> (615) 400-8725</p>

**Judson Newbern MAP to Lockeland Springs Park**



**Map of Shelby Park & Bottoms Lockeland Springs Park**

KEY:

Lockeland Springs Park; ● Shelby Bottoms Nature Center;  Elevated railroad trestle

