

The Arts Celebrate the 150th Anniversary of The Metropolitan Line Kensington Paint Out and Gallery Show

Celebrating all that our vibrant Kensington community has become since the first train arrived in Kensington via the Metropolitan LIne of the B & O Railroad in 1873!

Kensington has a thriving art community with works of commissioned art located in public places throughout town, murals and statues in parks and on buildings, art galleries and artist's work spaces, and framing and supply companies. Also, Kensington is host to the annual Labor Day "Paint the Town" event, free and open to the public, and one of the largest and longest running shows in the region of works by Montgomery Art Association members.

For the 150th celebration, we have invited artists from the Montgomery Art Association to a Paint Out on Sunday, May 28 and Monday, May 29, to capture the scenes, people, and activities of a celebratory weekend in Kensington. Artists will be around town, in our parks and on the street, painting plein air. Come and check out their works in progress!

Members and guests of MAA may register to participate at the MAA website: <u>https://www.montgomeryart.org/</u>

Easels may be set up in any of our ten parks, and on town sidewalks by points of interest, provided they do not obstruct pedestrian access (see map of the Town of Kensington). Parking is recommended at Kensington Town Hall, 3710 Mitchell St, Kensington, MD 20895. (For other parking options please see the Parking Map.) Restrooms are available on Sunday and Monday at BabyCat Brewery (noon to 5 pm) and on Monday at Kensington Train Station from 10 am to 5 pm.

If you would like to submit your framed completed work for the gallery show, please send an email indicating your commitment to <u>historyofkensington@gmail.com</u> with your name and contact details from Thursday, June 1, and places will be assigned on a first come first served basis. Completed artwork must be dropped off, framed and with accompanying label, no later than June 19th.

The Paint Out artwork will be displayed for public viewing at a special gallery show at The Chesapeake Framing Company, 10507 Metropolitan Ave, Kensington, MD, from June 22 to July 20. Gallery hours are Monday to Saturday, 10 am to 6 pm. Closed on Sundays. Come and check out their completed works!

Kensington Historical Society is looking forward to welcoming artists to the townwide celebration of the 150th of The Met Paint Out! Hope to see you there!

Links to attachments:

- KHS_150Flyer_FINAL.pdf
- KHS_BCatEvent.pdf
- Map of the Town of Kensington 2019.pdf
- BabyCat+Parking+Map.pdf