

### MBPAPA is looking for your support as a Patron

**Patrons** are a very important part of MBPAPA. Patrons actively support and promote MBPAPA in many ways, such as the education of other collectors and the general public about plein air painting and history, purchase of MBPAPA paintings, promotion of MBPAPA artists at shows and galleries, carrying our artist's work in shops, providing magazine interviews or writing articles, and representing MBPAPA to the general public. Patrons are instrumental in organizing and facilitating the annual shows and meetings, paintout events, and they volunteer for assignments that expedite the year-round operation of MBPAPA.

Annual dues are \$45.00.

There are many benefits to being a MBPAPA Patron, including:

1. Early entrance into the exhibit at shows
2. Working closely with MBPAPA artists to further the art of landscape painting
3. Expanded and rewarding friendships with artists and other patron members
4. Potential discount for paintings at the artist's discretion
5. Access to the MBPAPA archives of photos and articles
6. Connection to other like-minded collectors
7. Potential reduced fee on painting workshops.

Patrons also have responsibilities to MBPAPA. As mentioned, Patrons are expected to support and promote MBPAPA. Some Patrons volunteer their time and others contribute resources.

All Patron activities are welcome and needed ... and rewarding!

The following are examples of Patron contributions to MBPAPA:

1. Assist at shows
2. Present a program or participate in a panel discussion at arts organizations or schools.
3. Buy Helper tickets at shows  
("Helpers" are raffle items of MBPAPA-related items or services for which tickets are sold)
4. Donate or underwrite items as "helpers"
5. Bring paintings to share to schools, and local organizations
6. Investigate potential hotels and restaurants for meetings
7. Serve on MBPAPA committees
8. Look for opportunities to advance "the art of plein air landscape" (e.g., programs at local clubs; provide tours of personal collection; write articles for local newspapers)
9. Make financial contributions to MBPAPA for example: scholarship fund; underwrite a program; fund the purchase of equipment, establish a fund for artist's in need.

Note: Patrons are not entitled to a discount on paintings, although some artists will offer it. It is not required that a patron own MBPAPA paintings, and of course Patrons may collect whatever else appeals to them. Patrons are only asked to share our passion for fine art and help us to paint with inspiration.

To join MBPAPA for Patron Membership contact the Membership Chairman for an application.

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