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## ART OF THE ELEMENTS

NOVEMBER 27 – JANUARY 25, 2025

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: NOVEMBER 2, 2024

RECEPTION: DECEMBER 7, 2024

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Exploring the four elements – earth, air, fire, and water – this exhibition presents artworks inspired by nature's elements. From earthy ceramics to ethereal paintings to kinetic sculptures, it captures the essence of these elemental forces.

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## ORDER AND CHAOS

JANUARY 29 – MARCH 15, 2025

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: JANUARY 10, 2025

RECEPTION: FEBRUARY 22, 2025

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This is the concept of dualism, opposite meanings from the same concept that can complement each other. Is the beauty of the rose found in the flower or the thorns? We are all interconnected to each other and give rise and fall through interactions. There is a natural juxtaposition of these two elements to every side of our thinking; the creative arts often expose to us the dichotomy of emotions within us. Art bridges the spectrum...one man's triumph is another man's tragedy and leaves us to ponder what is our interpretation of an artist's creation. Art causes raw emotions from within to surface, that's what makes us lean in as we dwell upon an artist's talent expressed in the piece as we search for understanding and meaning. The power of art is to foster these emotions in us to recognize that a piece of art brings us to a depth of our own understanding and start conversations with others about this.

So, bring us your contradictions, your enigmas, your conundrums, your unsolved puzzles that expose you to our audience that isn't here to judge you. But conversely are looking for deeper meaning within us that may come to light through your creative works.

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## 2025 SOUTHEASTERN PASTEL SOCIETY

### MEMBERS JURIED EXHIBITION

MARCH 19 – APRIL 30, 2025

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: SEE WEBSITE

RECEPTION: MARCH 22, 2025

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The Southeastern Pastel Society (SPS) extends a big Thank You to the City of Alpharetta and Alpharetta Arts Center for partnering with us in our 2025 Spring Members Juried Exhibition. The Southeastern Pastel Society offers many inspirational events for artistic growth.

Do you want to:

1. Learn more about the pastel medium?
2. Make new friends working in pastel?
3. Want to enter a regional show in the pastel media?

Then membership in SPS is the place you need to be! Sign up at <https://southeasternpastel.com>.

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## PAINT THE TOWN 2025

COMPETITION MAY 6–10; EXHIBITION THRU JUNE 7, 2025

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: APRIL 30, 2025

RECEPTION: MAY 10, 2025

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Arts Alpharetta hosts its annual Paint the Town event — a fabulous plein air painting competition. This 5-day competition begins on May 6 as artists paint around town all week. The event culminates on Saturday, May 10 with an evening awards ceremony and reception at the Alpharetta Arts Center that evening. Exhibit remains on display through June 7, 2025.

Watch the artists in action at well-known locations throughout Alpharetta including downtown as well as City parks, gardens and more. Multiple opportunities to purchase original art created on site during the event and exhibition. Proceeds from the event will directly fund two Arts Alpharetta initiatives: the ongoing [public art](#) program and “[Take Out Art](#)” which supplies free art kits to children in need in our community. Visit [www.artsalpharetta.org/paint-the-town-2025.html](http://www.artsalpharetta.org/paint-the-town-2025.html) to register and learn more.

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## JUNETEENTH: INDEPENDENCE AND REFLECTION

JUNE 11 – AUGUST 2, 2025

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: MAY 24, 2025

RECEPTION: JUNE 14, 2025

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Celebrating Juneteenth, a national holiday that commemorate June 19, 1865's 'General Order No. 3' which informed the slaves in Texas (the last to be notified) that they were free.

The Alpharetta Arts Center, Arts Alpharetta, and Alpharetta's Black History Committee invite you to honor the Juneteenth holiday with your original art that expresses the emotion of that day. Congress has declared that 'History should be regarded as a means for understanding the past and solving the challenges of the future.

## ATLANTA COLLAGE SOCIETY

### ANNUAL MEMBERS EXHIBIT

AUGUST 6 – SEPTEMBER 27, 2025

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: TBD

RECEPTION: AUGUST 9, 2025

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Members exhibition. For more information, visit <https://atlantacollage.org>.

## OFF THE BED AND ONTO THE WALL

OCTOBER 1 – NOVEMBER 15, 2025

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: SEE WEBSITE

RECEPTION: OCTOBER 11, 2025

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Quilts go beyond covering a bed. Today, quilts are being displayed on walls; tables are now adorned with quilt toppers; and quilts have certainly moved into fashion and home decor. The Chattahoochee Evening Stars Quilt Guild invites you to come and see the many beautiful ways that quilts made by guild members adorn our lives. Interested in joining our guild? For information go to [www.cesquiltguild.com](http://www.cesquiltguild.com).

## ARTISTS HOLIDAY MARKET

NOVEMBER 21 – 22, 2025

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

PUBLIC SALE DATE: NOVEMBER 22, 2025

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Arts Alpharetta is hosting its annual Holiday Artists Market again inside the Alpharetta Arts Center. Give Art for this Holiday Season! Artists submit entries for a market or festival set up displaying and selling original small works, no larger than 16 inches in any dimension to participate in the seasonal retail opportunity. Community members will enjoy this indoor shopping experience in the Arts Center Gallery for "cash/card-and-carry" purchasing.

## OUTTA THE BOX

NOVEMBER 26 – JANUARY 10, 2026

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: OCTOBER 30, 2025

RECEPTION: DECEMBER 6, 2025

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Revolutionary? Bizarre? Eccentric? How does one define "out of the Box" art? For this show artists are invited to submit their interpretations of this unusual art category. Innovative, unique, inventive, atypical... Whether it is a cutting-edge sculpture, an unorthodox textile or a "far out" painting or photograph, a variety of media are welcome and encouraged.