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### **Paint the Perfect Weekend at the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Charles Fine Art Show**

ST. CHARLES, IL – The 26<sup>th</sup> annual St. Charles Fine Art Show, sponsored by St. Charles Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram, is taking place Memorial Day Weekend on Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup> from 10am-6pm, and Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup> from 10am-5pm. This juried art show will be located on Riverside Avenue between Main Street (Route 64) and Illinois Avenue in downtown St. Charles and will feature works of art from over 100 fine artists in 13 different mediums, all available for sale during this free admission event.

On Saturday afternoon, ten Fine Art Show exhibitors will be presented with an artist award during the Awards Presentation. These awards recognize the artist's originality, technique, execution, expression, and overall impression of their art.

Patrons that spend \$250 or more at the Fine Art Show will receive a voucher for two tickets for a show at the Arcada Theatre, as part of the ARTcada Purchase Program. Once a visitor spends \$250 on art, they will need to visit the information booth with their receipts to obtain the voucher. The voucher is valid through May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Throughout the weekend, there will be a variety of family-friendly activities taking place in the St. Charles Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram Activity Zone that's located on Riverside Avenue. This zone will contain art-related activities for all to enjoy, including the opportunity to paint a car, organized by the St. Charles Arts Council, and several hands-on art activities for purchase, sponsored by All Things Art Studio. In addition to the juried artists, Elgin Community College will have their Emerging Artists Tent where their art students will have art available for purchase.

This year, there will be a new Art & Music Experience taking place on the 1<sup>st</sup> Street Plaza on both Saturday and Sunday from 1pm-3pm, sponsored by Solutions Networking Corporation. Visitors can experience the fusion of art and music as artist Alex Puryear brings the rhythm to life with a painting on a canvas. Attendees can watch him create a work of art alongside the band 13 Days on Saturday, and alongside the band FLEX Trio on Sunday. To find more information on the Art & Music Experience, please visit

[www.stcharlesfineartshow.com/artandmusic](http://www.stcharlesfineartshow.com/artandmusic).

During the Fine Art Show, attendees will also have the opportunity to hear local musicians perform at Flagship on the Fox and Pollyanna Brewing & Distilling, sponsored by McGrath Honda of St. Charles. To view the lineup of performances, please visit [www.stcharlesfineartshow.com/entertainment](http://www.stcharlesfineartshow.com/entertainment). In honor of the weekend, many local businesses will also be hosting specials and promotions. To learn more, please visit [www.stcharlesfineartshow.com/events-and-promotions](http://www.stcharlesfineartshow.com/events-and-promotions).

In an effort to make the St. Charles Fine Art Show a more environmentally friendly event, additional steps have been taken at this year's event to promote sustainability. To view this year's initiatives, please visit [www.stcharlesfineartshow.com/sustainability](http://www.stcharlesfineartshow.com/sustainability).

The St. Charles Business Alliance Executive Director, Jenna Sawicki, hopes that everyone gets the chance to experience this year's Fine Art Show. "Memorial Day Weekend is the perfect time to come downtown, support our local businesses, and to admire all the art on display," says Sawicki. "With so many talented artists exhibiting, along with several family-friendly activities, there is something for everyone to enjoy at this event, regardless of age."

The Presenting Sponsor for the 2024 St. Charles Fine Art Show is St. Charles Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram. Additional Sponsors include Arcada Theatre, First Mid Bank & Trust, McGrath Honda of St. Charles, Solutions Networking Corporation, St. Charles Bank & Trust, Theriault Booth, LLC. Attorneys at Law, Mason, Faith & Hoscheit D.D.S., All Things Art Studio, Blick Art Materials, Clarke, Culligan Water, Elgin Community College, Heinz Brothers Greenhouse Garden Center, Kane County Magazine, Lakeshore Recycling Systems, LawnBoyz Landscaping, Inc., and Tri City Health Partnership.

For more information on the 2024 St. Charles Fine Art Show, including the list of artists, please visit [www.stcharlesfineartshow.com](http://www.stcharlesfineartshow.com). For further inquiries, please contact the St. Charles Business Alliance at 630-443-3967.

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**About the St. Charles Business Alliance**

The mission of the St. Charles Business Alliance is to drive economic growth to make the St. Charles Community a destination where people, businesses and tourism thrive. The Alliance produces the St. Charles Fine Art Show, Holiday Homecoming, Jazz Weekend, Scarecrow Weekend, and the St. Patrick's Parade. For more information about the Alliance, visit [www.stcalliance.org](http://www.stcalliance.org).



Patrons browsing the art at the 2023 St. Charles Fine Art Show