

2017 State Historic Sites Programs



MARCH

Plein Air Painting With Watercolor Media

Three-hour sessions in watercolor and watercolor pencil painting. Participants will be painting landscapes or indoors using photos in bad weather. Each session will include demonstrations and instructions in painting techniques and plein air painting.

- March 25, 1–4pm, [TC Steele State Historic Site](#)

APRIL

A Painted Interpretation of the Spring Foray of Colors

Award winning painter, Patricia Rhoden Bartels' demonstrations will focus on the beauty of spring's palette of colors visible at the Brown County State Park and the [TC Steele Historic Site](#). Her paintings connect Brown County's art history to the State Park Spring Foray and the Historic site Earth Day celebrations. Children paint along interpreting Spring as she emphasizes environmental issues.

- April 9, [TC Steele State Historic Site](#)
- April 22, [TC Steele State Historic Site](#)

Matinee Music for the "Sunday at Home" Series

Amanda Webb (singer), Carolyn Dutton (violinist) and James LaVelle (pianist) will give two concerts that feature music that would have been heard in Indiana during the early twentieth century, the time of [TC Steele's residency](#). This will be part of the TC Steele "Sunday at Home" series.

- April 23, [TC Steele State Historic Site](#)

Historic New Harmony, Heritage Artisan Days

The Red Bank ReUnion Band will work with the staff at [Historic New Harmony](#) to present a program in conjunction with Heritage Artisan activities. The Band will present 19th century music, in costume with period appropriate instruments and musical arrangements. Musical selections will focus on Dances and Quick Step Marches.

- April 19, [Historic New Harmony State Historic Site](#)
- April 20, [Historic New Harmony State Historic Site](#)
- April 21, [Historic New Harmony State Historic Site](#)

MAY

Plein Air Painting With Watercolor Media

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- May 13, 1–4pm, [TC Steele State Historic Site](#)

A Royal Occasion: Chamber Music From The Courts of Henry VIII To Louis XIV

Les Ordinaires trio performs two concerts of music from the courts of Henry XVIII through Louis XIV in a program entitled "A Royal Occasion". Set in the elegant grandeur of the [Lanier and Culbertson Mansions](#), audiences can "take off their wigs", sit back, and let Les Ordinaires tantalize the senses, soothe conflicting emotions and uplift spirits in two evenings of royal chamber music.

- May 12, 7:30 p.m. [Lanier Mansion concert](#)
- May 13, 7 p.m. [Culbertson Mansion concert](#)

A Limberlost Invitation: Music Composition Creativity Workshops

Composer/educator Marjorie Rusche will present two site-specific music composition creativity workshops at the [Gene Stratton-Porter State Historic Site](#). This project will attract new community members and expand their creativity by helping them create songs inspired by Stratton-Porter's writing.

- May 20, 12:00 p.m. & 2:00 p.m. [Gene Stratton-Porter State Historic Sites](#)

Journeys of the Mind Exhibition

Individuals with mental health issues will write their story of recovery. Art students from the University of Southern Indiana and community artists will create artwork from the stories to illustrate the struggles and triumphs of individuals in their recovery journeys. The art will be on exhibit at Angel Mounds State Historic Site during the month of May, which is National Mental Health Month.

- May 1–31, [Angel Mounds State Historic Site](#)
Tues-Sat 9 a.m.–5 p.m.
Sunday 1 p.m.–5 p.m.

Arts In The Parks - Hoosier Songbook and Stories

The Hoosier Songs and Stories is a 75 minute solo performance by Indiana Songwriter and Storyteller Tom Roznowski. The program has an emphasis on original songs that have themes of Indiana's heritage and awareness of the natural world. The stories are related to the songs as introductions. Songs by Indiana songwriters Hoagy Carmichael, Cole Porter, and Paul Dresser are included as well.

- May 27, 6:30–8:30 p.m., [Clifty Falls State Park](#)

JUNE

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- June 4, [TC Steele State Historic Site](#)

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- June 24, 6:30–8:30 p.m., [Whitewater Canal at Metamora Historic Site](#)

JULY

Plein Air Painting With Watercolor Media

Three-hour sessions in watercolor and watercolor pencil painting. Participants will be painting landscapes or indoors using photos in bad weather. Each session will include demonstrations and instructions in painting techniques and plein air painting.

- July 8, 1–4pm, [TC Steele State Historic Site](#)

Craig Brenner Presents Music in State Parks and Historic Sites

Craig Brenner explores the jazzy side of blues, boogie woogie and other music, focusing on Indiana composers and musicians. Craig will bring percussion instruments and invite young people to play along. Performances will be solo or with members of Craig & The Crawdads.

- July 1, 7:30 p.m., [Clifty Falls State Park Campground Amphitheater](#)
- July 15, 8 p.m., [Paynetown and Monroe Lake Amphitheater](#)
- July 29, 7:30 p.m., [Spring Mill State Park Sycamore Shelter](#)

Artist in Residence: Gene Stratton-Porter Illustration

Rebecca Stockert will engage in a two-week residency at [Gene Stratton-Porter Historical Site](#). During her residency, she will create a series of magical realism illustrations and nature studies inspired by the poetry of Stratton-Porter and flora and fauna of Wildflower Woods. She will offer two public workshops on watercolor illustration in nature within the Stratton-Porter historical site.

- Residency: July 11–15 & July 18–22, [Gene Stratton-Porter Historical Site](#)
- Workshops: July 15 & 22 [Gene Stratton-Porter Historical Site](#)

Brown County Taste of Folk Art

To create an opportunity for children in Brown County to be introduced to Folk Art in Indiana. To utilize Indiana Artists to both demonstrate and offer hands-on experiences to children enrolled in Art Enrichment's Camps through the YMCA, and to also make these experiences available to the general public.

- June 15th & Thursday, June 22nd [TC Steele State Historic Site](#)
9:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m., YMCA art enrichment children participate in Taste of Folk Art
11:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m., participate in other activities at TC Steele
1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m., Taste of Folk Art open to the public

Inside Gene Stratton-Porter's Cabin: A Poetry Workshop

In her residency at [Limberlost State Historic Site](#), Indiana Poet Laureate Shari Wagner will lead three poetry workshops with writing activities designed to help participants explore the beauty, history and ecological importance of the Limberlost, as well as its connection to renown nature writer and novelist Gene Stratton-Porter. Wagner will facilitate a public reading event of workshop poems.

- July 22, 10 a.m.–4 p.m., Inside [Gene Stratton-Porter's Cabin: A Poetry Workshop](#)

AUGUST

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- August 6, 2 p.m., [T. C. Steele State Historic Site Large Studio](#)

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- Aug. 12, 9:30am-12pm & 1:30-4pm, [Starve Hollow State Recreation Area](#)

Artist Residency: Nature Writing at Wildflower Woods

Artist in Residence at [Gene Stratton-Porter Historic Site](#) during the month of May 2017, Debra Levy gives a reading of her own site-inspired work during the annual Chautauqua Days.

- August 17, [Gene Stratton-Porter Historic Site](#)

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- August 26, 10 a.m.–4 p.m., In [Gene Stratton-Porter's Footsteps: A Poetry Workshop](#)

SEPTEMBER

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- September 2, 7:30 p.m., [Brown Co. State Park Nature Center Amphitheater](#)

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- September 2, 6:00–8:00 p.m., [Harmonie State Park](#)
- September 3, 6:00–8:00 p.m., [Spring Mill State Park](#)

OCTOBER

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- October 14, 7 p.m.–8:30 p.m., Spirit of the [Limberlost](#): A Poetry Event