

Paint the Gardens' Trees
Wednesday, September 14, 2022
9:00am - 5:00pm
Information and Guidelines for Artists

In late July, many of the beautiful, priceless trees in the Halifax Public Gardens were attacked and seriously damaged. This has left many of us feeling sad and frustrated. The general public has offered good wishes, prayers, and donations as we await news on how the trees are healing. Now, the Friends of the Public Gardens invite artists to celebrate the trees by participating in a Paint the Gardens' Trees day.

The following guidelines are intended to make this event a hassle free and fun day for artists and visitors alike. Please read carefully.

- The Public Gardens open at 8am and close ½ hour before sunset.
- This event will take place on Sept 14th, rain or shine. Please prepare accordingly.
- There is no pre-registration and no registration fee. Artists are asked to ***sign-in*** at the Friends of the Public Gardens (TFPG) Desk in Horticultural Hall anytime after 9:00am and receive a lapel sticker indicating registration.
- Artist are asked to take care with site selection and set-up so as not to block gates, pathways, bridges, or other walking areas while painting. The Gardens have horticultural staff working and people visiting every day.
- Please be careful when working near Gardens property (benches, fountains, etc.) and especially if you set up near any of the damaged trees.

- When you have finished for the day, remember to remove all supplies and clean-up your location.
- Artists are asked *not* to bring previously completed art work, reproductions, or digital art for demonstration or sale (see Sale of Work below).
- The café in Horticultural Hall will be open during the day. Washrooms, a drinking fountain and water bottle filler are available in the plaza in front of Horticultural Hall. A water fountain is also located on the south side of Griffin's Pond.

Sale of Work:

- Other than the activities in Horticultural Hall, by its Charter, no 'commerce' is permitted in the Gardens. That's why there are no entrance fees, and activities within are free of charge to all who visit. Please respect this aspect of the Charter of the Halifax Public Gardens. If a visitor expresses an interest in purchasing your painting, please make arrangements which take place ***outside*** the gates of the Public Gardens.

If you have questions, email us at info@halifaxpublicgardens.ca

Enjoy your painting experience!

This event is organized by the Friends of the Public Gardens, a registered charity, whose mandate is to encourage and support the preservation, enhancement, and celebration of the Halifax Public Gardens for the enjoyment of the general public.