

2026 Spring Fest Quick Draw Plein Air Competition

April 11, 2026

Rules and Registration Form

Sponsored by the Sealy Area Historical Society

BOUNDARIES: Artists may paint in the location of their choosing within the boundaries of the Sealy Downtown Historical District and Main Street boundaries. Artists may draw and paint anywhere within the colored area or area outlined in dots on the map that can be downloaded at <http://www.sealyhistoricalsociety.org/2026SpringFestPleinAirArtCompetition.html>.

REFERENCE PHOTOS: Artists may paint from reference photos taken the day of the 2026 Spring Fest Quick Draw Plein Air Competition. Photos may be taken with a cell phone, Ipad or other camera. There will be no provision for printing photos to use as reference material. Artists may print photos from their own portable photo printer.

SET UP: Artists may choose their site and set up equipment beginning at 9:00 AM on the day of the competition. A registration table will be at the Sealy Historical Park at 211 East Main Street. Registration begins at 9:30 AM. Artists must have blank canvases stamped and pick up their title & price label at the registration table.

START: Artists may begin to create en Plein Air at 10:00 AM. Artists must start with nothing pre-painted or pre-drawn and create the Quick Draw artwork only during the Quick Draw time frame. Mediums accepted are watercolor, oil, pastel, acrylic, ink, charcoal and pencil.

STOP: Artists must finish their artwork by 2:00 PM. Artists may create up to two paintings.

FRAME: At least one painting must be framed or matted for exhibition. Paintings may be varnished or sealed and attached to a board in lieu of matting and/or framing. The maximum framed/or matted size is 6 square feet.

FEE: Entry fee is \$10 per participant.

EXHIBIT AND JUDGING: At 2:00 PM all artists will bring completed artwork, along with their personal easels, to the Bozeman House front porch east of the Main Museum in the Sealy Historical Park. See event map. Event staff will assist the artists in setting up their easels and artwork for the Quick Draw Exhibit. Judging will begin at 2:30 PM with prizes awarded at 3:00 PM. All artwork must remain until the event ends at 5:00 PM. All artwork and easels must be picked up between 5:00 and 6:00 PM. The Sealy Area Historical Society's members and volunteers are not responsible for any equipment or art left after 6:00 PM.

SALES: Each Quick Draw artwork submitted for judging must have a title and price if available for sale. The Sealy Area Historical Society will take a 20% commission from each work that sells. Credit cards and cash will be accepted. Sales will be handled by the Sealy Area Historical Society.

REGISTRATION: To pre-register, complete this form and mail with payment to Sealy Area Historical Society, P O Box 585, Sealy, TX 77474 or register online at <http://www.sealyhistoricalsociety.org/2026SpringFest.html>. To register the day of the event, bring this completed form to the Sealy Historical Park at 211 East Main Street, Sealy, TX.

PRIZES: Cash prizes are \$100 for 1st place, \$75 for 2nd place, and \$50 for 3rd place.

Artist's Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Email Address _____

I understand and agree to abide by the rules above. I am entering this event and painting at my own risk. The Sealy Area Historical Society and the Spring Fest volunteers are for any injury or damage which may occur during this event.

Signature: _____

Date: _____