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Celebrate the Arts at the 27th Annual St. Charles Fine Art Show

ST. CHARLES, IL – The 27th annual St. Charles Fine Art Show, presented by St. Charles Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram, will be taking place on Saturday, May 24 from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., and Sunday, May 25 from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. in downtown St. Charles on Riverside Avenue (between Main Street and Illinois Avenue). Throughout the weekend attendees will have the opportunity to view works of art from over 110 fine artists, all available for purchase during this free-to-attend event.

Individuals who spend \$250 or more in art at the show will be eligible to receive two free tickets to the Arcada Theatre in part of the Artcada Purchase Program, sponsored by Onesti Entertainment. Once a patron 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 16, 2026.

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. There will be six "Awards of Excellence", three "Judges Awards", and one "Best of Show Award" given.

In addition to the juried art, visitors will be able to hear local musicians perform live at Flagship on the Fox and Pollyanna Brewing & Distilling and also have the chance to partake in an array of family-friendly activities in the St. Charles Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram Activity Zone. This zone will contain art-related activities, including painting a car, organized by the Pottawatomie Garden Club, and several hands-on art activities for purchase, organized by All Things Art Studio. In addition to the juried artists, Fine Line Creative Arts Center will be located in the Feature Event, demonstrating the creation of a variety of mediums on both days of the event.

Back for the second year, attendees can enjoy an Art & Music Experience on the 1^{st} Street Plaza from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. on both days of the show. During this event, spectators will be able to experience the fusion of art and music, as artist Alex Puryear brings the rhythm to life on canvas. He will be creating works of art alongside the musical groups John Wesley Experience on Saturday, and alongside 13 Days on Sunday.

St. Charles Business Alliance Executive Director, Jenna Sawicki, speaks on this year's annual event. "With over 110 juried artists and numerous activities taking place during the weekend, there is something for everyone to enjoy at the St. Charles Fine Art Show," says Sawicki. "It's the perfect weekend to visit downtown St. Charles, appreciate and shop the beautiful art, and to support all the wonderful local businesses that we have in this city."

The Presenting Sponsor for the 2025 St. Charles Fine Art Show is St. Charles Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram. Additional Sponsors include Arcada Theatre, Solutions Networking Corporation, St. Charles Bank & Trust, St. Charles Closets, Theriault Booth LLC. Attorneys at Law, Batir Architecture, Mason Faith Hoscheit & Lefelstein, McGrath Honda of St. Charles, All Things Art Studio, Blick Art Materials, Culligan Water, Fine Line Creative Arts Center, Heinz Brothers Greenhouse Garden Center, Lakeshore Recycling Systems, Lawnboyz Landscaping, Inc., and Tri City Health Partnership.

To find more information on the 2025 St. Charles Fine Art Show, please visit <u>www.stcharlesfineartshow.com</u>. For further inquiries, please contact the St. Charles Business Alliance at 630-443-3967.

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 Restaurant Week, St. Patrick's Parade, Spring Shop Crawl, Fine Art Show, STC Live!, Jazz Weekend, Scarecrow Weekend, and Holiday Homecoming. For more information about the Alliance, visit <u>www.stcalliance.org</u>.



Family attending last year's St. Charles Fine Art Show

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