



Signature Membership in The Plein Air Painters of the Jersey Coast

A **Signature Member** is a PAPJC member who has been recognized by the PAPJC Signature Member Selection Committee as having achieved a high level of expertise in painting in plein air.

Qualifications

To qualify for this category, the artist must have done the following:

- Demonstrated his/her commitment to plein air painting on a professional level. Indicators include plein air exhibitions and paint outs, gallery affiliations and sales, awards, and a consistent, ongoing production of quality plein air work.
- Have been a PAPJC Artist Member for at least the one year and have paid his/her PAPJC dues for the upcoming year

Benefits

Gaining this status provides a member with a number of benefits, including

- Priority news listings on the newly re-engineered PAPJC website
- Inclusion on the website's Signature Member page
- Priority positioning in the Annual Member's show
- Inclusion in the PAPJC's biennial professional shows
- Paintings featured in PAPJC marketing materials

Responsibilities

In accepting Signature status, the member has agreed to the following:

- Contribute to the PAPJC in an ongoing fashion, using his/her unique skills and expertise to strengthen the organization, such as mentoring Artist members, giving demos, or implementing a major PAPJC project
- Participate in each major PAPJC show, including the Annual members show, the biennial River Views charity exhibit (or its PAPJC equivalent), and the biennial professional show(s)
- Participate in at least 2 Paint Aways per year
- Paint with the group at large at least 3 times per year
- Maintain an up-to-date resume, in the specified structured format, on the PAPJC website, along with a photo portrait and 5 to 10 images of paintings that meet the spec on the website. Painting images are to be refreshed each May with dues renewal.

Costs

For the 2011-2012 fiscal year, the annual dues for Signature Membership will remain the same as the dues for Active Members, which are currently \$45. However, Signature Members will be asked to make an additional contribution to support advertising to promote the PAPJC and the work of its Signature Members, a cost that is to be agreed upon and then shared across all Signature Members and any invited Artist Members.

Dues for Signature membership may be raised in subsequent years, once operating costs for this new membership category are better understood.