

FEBRUARY PAPNM PAINTOUT SCHEDULE 2010--

Please send any questions to PAPNM Paint Out Coordinator: ElaineKoehler@pleinairpaintersnm.org

If you have a favorite place to paint please consider hosting an outing. Just contact me and let me know when and where.

Also, please consider purchasing a current New Mexico road map to assist you in your travels. All attempts are made to give clear and accurate directions. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

And, remember to carpool as often as you can.

FEBRUARY

Saturday, February 6th--*Jemez Springs*

Monday, February 8th--*Bosque del Apache*

Sunday, February 14th--*Lamy Train Station/Galisteo*

Monday, February 22nd--*Sandia Lakes*

Saturday, February 27th--*Box Canyon near Socorro*

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH

Meet at the Walatowa Visitor's Center at 10 AM. The winter hours are Wed. thru Sun. from 10 to 4. There are restrooms in the Visitor's Center. There are many choices to paint along Rt. 4. You may choose to stay near the Visitor's Center which is in the red rock area or perhaps you'd like to paint the church in San Ysidro. There are many painting spots north of the Visitor's Center along the Jemez River or in the small village of Jemez Springs. There are several places for lunch in Jemez Springs.

Directions to Walatowa Visitor's Center—

From Hwy I-25 take the Bernalillo exit 242 and go west on US 550 to San Ysidro. Merge Right on to Hwy 4. It is approx. 7 miles to the Walatowa Visitor's Center which will be on your left.

For those coming from Santa Fe or Taos you may want to come through Los Alamos.

Directions from Santa Fe or Taos—

Take Hwy 68 from Taos or 285 from Santa Fe to the Los Alamos turnoff. Turn west on Hwy 502 and travel about 12 miles to Hwy 4. Turn south onto Hwy 4 and go about 45 miles to the Jemez Springs area or continue south to the Walatowa Visitor's Center



Across from Walatowa Visitor's Center (photo by Elaine Koehler)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH--

Meet in the parking lot of the Bosque del Apache Visitor's Center at 10 AM. There should be lovely winter colors and plenty of cranes and other birds to observe.

Directions to Bosque del Apache—

From the north (Socorro, New Mexico), take I-25 south to San Antonio exit 139, then Rt. 380 east .5 mile, then State Highway 1 south 8 miles to refuge.

From the south (Truth or Consequences, New Mexico), take I-25 north to San Marcial, then north on State Highway 1 for 9 miles to refuge.



Winter Color at Bosque del Apache (photo by Elaine Koehler)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH

It's Valentine's Day. Celebrate with a paintout. The Lamy Train Station is an interesting subject and the café located in an old railroad car has a brunch on Sundays from 10 to 3 PM. Check out www.lamystationcafe.com to learn more. Paint in Lamy or head on south to the town of Galisteo for an afternoon of painting. Facilities are available at the train station in Lamy but no public facilities are available in Galisteo.

Directions to Lamy and Galisteo—

From I-40 take exit 196 and head north on Rt. 41. It's approximately 27 miles to Galisteo. To get to Lamy continue north on Rt. 41 to a T intersection. Turn left on Rt. 285. Watch for the signs to Lamy on your right. If you are traveling on I-25 you will take exit 290 and head south on Rt. 285. Watch for the signs to Lamy on your left.



Lamy Train Station (photo by Elaine Koehler)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Sandia Lakes is close in to Albuquerque and offers beautiful views of the Sandias. Hopefully they will have a little snow on them. You also have wonderful reflections in the lakes. Come around 11 AM and check in at the store. There is a \$3 visitor fee. Bathroom facilities are available.

Directions—

From I-25 take exit 234 which is the Tramway exit. Go **west** which will put you on Roy Ave. Roy Ave. is an extension of Tramway. Watch for Rt. 313 to Bernalillo (this highway parallels I-25). Turn right and head north for a short distance to Sandia Lakes on your left. You will pass Shady Lakes which isn't open at this time of year. Sandia Lakes is just north of Shady Lakes.



Photo by Elaine Koehler

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH

The Box Canyon is a favorite site of Margi Lucena's. It is near Socorro. It's open year round and is a popular place for climbing and bouldering. Margi would be happy for artists to stop by her gallery in Socorro. If you would like to eat lunch in Socorro then plan to be at Margi's by 11:30 AM. Artists meeting in Socorro could drive to the Box together. If you come directly to the Box then plan to be there around 1:30 PM for an afternoon of painting.

Directions—

Box Canyon—Take I-25 to exit 147, marked *Socorro, Magdalena*; the off ramp becomes *California Street*. At the first traffic signal, turn left (west) onto US 60, also marked as *Spring Street*. The next traffic control will be an odd four-way stop; note your mileage, and again turn left (south west) with US 60. Follow US 60 out of town (watch your speed!); at 6.8 miles from the four-way stop the road crosses a bridge over a red-rock canyon. Immediately after this bridge, just barely visible past a bluff on the left, is the road into Box Canyon. Turn left (east) onto this road. The second left will take you to a gravel parking area, with a permanent outhouse.

Margi's Gallery—On I-25 from the north take exit 150. Proceed straight and the road becomes California St. Watch for Abeyta St. Turn right and look for 113 Abeyta St. It is the FIL Gallery and Curious Crow Studio. If coming from the south take exit 147 and follow California St. to Abeyta St. It will be a left turn.



Margi Lucena photo