

Artwork Drop-Off:

Please return your *exhibit-ready* finished paintings to Charlevoix Circle of Arts by **3:30 PM on Friday, July 11**. CCA staff will display all submitted works for judging and the Wet Paint Sale. Judging begins promptly at 4:00 PM. We appreciate your timeliness—thank you!

About the Awards:

Prizes will be awarded to participating artists based on criteria determined by the judge, including (but not limited to) composition, color, originality, and overall quality of work.

First, second, and third place winners will receive monetary awards. At her discretion, the judge may also present non-monetary Honorable Mention awards.

Meet the Judge: Carrie Leitner



We're honored to welcome **Carrie Leitner** as the **2025 Paint Out Judge**—and to celebrate her recognition as this year's **Venetian Artist**.

Carrie is an art director and graphic designer based in the Detroit area, with a creative career spanning multiple industries. Although her professional work is rooted in Detroit, she maintains strong ties to her hometown of Charlevoix, which continues to inspire her creative outlook and sense of place.

A graduate of the University of Michigan School of Art & Design, Leitner has held in-house roles at both large institutions and small organizations. While her full-time work leaves limited time for personal projects, she enjoys occasional commissions—especially paintings and pencil portraits that hold personal or emotional

significance. In recent years, Carrie has contributed her design expertise to several meaningful local projects, including branding for Camp McSauba, Mt. McSauba, and the Charlevoix Municipal Golf Course—beloved community landmarks with personal history.