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### **PLEIN AIR WORKSHOPS FEATURE “THE ARTISTS TRAIL” IN RANGELEY**

THE ARTISTS TRAIL is a NEW joint project of the Rangeley Lakes Heritage Trust and the Rangeley Friends of the Arts which designates 15 specific scenic sites to introduce the unique and rugged beauty of the Rangeley Lakes Region of the western mountains of Maine to artists of all genres. The Trail is also supported by a grant from the Maine Community Foundation.

To kick off the introduction of The Artists Trail, the RFA is sponsoring two Plein Air Workshops with established artists: George Van Hook and Michael Vermette. Each workshop is 2 ½ days of instruction over a four-day period open to adult artists of all ability levels. Van Hook will teach in all media and Vermette specializes in watercolors. Waterfalls, scenic vistas of lakes and mountain ranges stretching away in the distance, wildflower fields, as well as lush northern forests and winding country roads will be the varied subjects available to participants. Click [HERE](#) for complete information.

The Rangeley Lakes Region is a true four-season paradise tucked away in the mountains of western Maine. What originally put Rangeley on the map were the trophy brook trout, breathtaking natural beauty, clean air, pristine waters and storied outdoor sporting heritage. What has kept people coming back are the stunning natural beauty, the endless opportunities for outdoor enthusiasts, peace and tranquility, and the friendly people. Home to six major lakes, multiple ponds, streams, mountains for hiking and a quaint village area, the Rangeley Lakes Region is a hidden paradise for plein air artists and scenic photographers.

For more information about the workshops or The Artists Trail, please visit [rangeleyarts.org](http://rangeleyarts.org) and click on “Visual Arts,” or call the RFA at 207-864-5000. The RFA is a not-for-profit 501(c)3 “Bringing the Arts to Life” in the Rangeley Lakes Region.

