## **TURQUOISE TRAIL STUDIO TOUR 2022**

The Last Two Weekends in September

Discover original art and meet # Santa Fe area artists in their studios along the Turquoise Trail.

Who: Over 45 New Mexico artists (38 location) open their studios to the public

What: Turquoise Trail Studio Tour 2022

When: 10 am to 5 pm, September 17-18 and September 24-25

Where: State Highway 14 between Santa Fe and Albuquerque, New Mexico

The Turquoise Trail Studio Tour made its debut in 2021 welcoming guests to a free, self-guided exhibition of artists at work. New Mexico's scenic Highway 14, known historically as the Turquoise Trail, is home to a remarkable collection of artists working within an awe-inspiring landscape. The Studio Tour is an exclusive opportunity for visitors to meet these gifted creators in their natural habitat and purchase artwork directly from them.

During the pandemic shutdown, the Turquoise Trail's artists took the opportunity to rekindle their inspiration, resulting in some of their best new work. Visitors will be gratified to discover that the Studio Tour also features emerging artists who have bravely opened exciting new studios and galleries, despite the challenging economic and social conditions. Come and see for yourself what they have been creating. Painting, sculpture, jewelry, leather craft, collage and pottery, photography and more will all be on display.

The Studio Tour runs along the Turquoise Trail south from Santa Fe, into Cerrillos and Madrid and as far south as Cedar Crest. This portion of the Turquoise Trail is arguably the most beautiful section of this historic trade route which connects Santa Fe and Albuquerque. Artists and artisans continue to draw inspiration from its rugged natural beauty, as they have for thousands of years.

A map will be available at participating studios and on the official website (https://www.turquoisetrailstudiotour.info/), that enables visitors to easily navigate among the thirty-eight locations. In total, over 45 distinguished artists of diverse media are represented. Each associated studio will display a "Turquoise Trail Studio Tour" sign to welcome guests September 17-18 and 24-25, 10am until 5pm daily. The artists will open up their studios to offer interactive experiences demonstrating their process and talking about their inspirations. Some studios will have more than one artist and all studios may be requiring masks and will be posted if needed.

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