



A child's interaction with art sparks inspiration, creativity and imagination!

Art Classes at Mills Pond Gallery...a wonderful opportunity for children to explore their creativity within the colorful and vibrant surroundings of a contemporary art gallery.

Open to students of all experience levels in a non-competitive environment.

Always new projects for students taking multiple weeks!

Get ready to roll up your sleeves and paint and draw to create some masterpieces!

Classes will run with 5-student minimum so get your friends together for some fun creativity!

Classes limited to 7 students to allow social distancing

Classes available for ages 5 - 16

COVID-19 Safety Precautions Strictly Followed

WEEK 1

July 12 – 16

Morning Classes

9am-12pm

Kawaii Style Drawing

Monday- Friday

9am-12pm

Ages 6-8

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Instructor: Kim Falco

Fine Art Painting with American Artists

Monday-Friday

9am-12pm

Ages 13-15

Students are introduced to American artist Jean-Michel Basquiat best known for his free spirit approach, mixed media style and use of graffiti-like images. In this class we identify Basquiat's style, method and genre to free our minds and inspire our own mixed media style paintings. Together we will explore the basic elements of art through line, shape, color, texture and space. Students will paint as the artists did on easels! Instructor: Melissa Vultaggio

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Ages 9-11

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WEEK 1

July 12 – 16

Afternoon Classes

1pm-4pm

Mixed Media Madness

Monday- Friday

1pm-4pm

Ages 7-9

Mixed Media Madness will be an exploration of artistic materials that will stretch your child's creative expression. We will explore ways to layer, build and design with multiple mediums while we learn about the seven basic elements of art (line, shape, form, texture, color and space) and how to use them to create awesome art. Instructor: Kim Falco

Fun in Fashion Illustration

Monday – Friday

1pm-4pm

Ages 13-15

Each day students will learn a new illustration technique to create a one of a kind fashion illustration. Jam packed full of exercises and actionable steps to create stylized characters with confidence. Learn to convey the weight and texture of fabrics using watercolor and colored pencil. This class is geared toward students with a love for fashion and illustration. Let's have some fun drawing fashion! Instructor: Melissa Vultaggio

Let's Paint and Draw: Portraiture

Monday-Friday

1pm-4pm

Ages 14-16

In this class, students will learn about the art of portraiture. Not only will students learn about the structural foundations of the human head, but will also learn about the history of portraiture and how it has changed over time. Students will be introduced to new ways of seeing the human head, and will learn how to develop a portrait from start to finish. Instructor: Nick Frizalone

Spirals, Branches, Crystals, & More: Patterns in Nature

Monday-Friday

1pm-4pm

Ages 10-12

We see patterns and textures every day. They add layers of complexity to common shapes and objects. Many of these patterns such as spirals, cells, stripes, branches, and crystal structures, are seen across different species of animals and plants as well as in the cosmos. We'll explore various recurring patterns and bring them front and center through art using vibrant paint, pencil, and pastel colors. Instructor: Ivy Berg

WEEK 2

July 19 – 23

Morning Classes

9am-12pm

Watercolor

Monday- Friday

9am-12pm

Ages 6-9

Watercolor is a fun, exciting and unpredictable media! We will paint a variety of different subjects (flowers, landscapes, abstract designs). We will create amazing artwork as we experiment with how watercolor interacts with different things like salt and lemon juice and more! Instructor: Kim Falco

Fine Art Painting with American Artists

Monday- Friday

9am-12pm

Ages 10-12

Students are introduced to American artist Andy Warhol, best known for his whimsical, colorful, paintings and prints of everyday items and famous celebrities. In this class we will identify Warhol's style, method and genre and use as inspiration to create our own whimsical paintings. Together we will explore the basic elements of art through line, shape, color, texture and space. Students will work as the artist did on easels! Instructor: Melissa Vultaggio



WEEK 2

July 19 – 23

Afternoon Classes

1pm-4pm

Hand Building Pottery

Monday- Friday 1pm-4pm Ages 7-9

“Hand building” is working with clay by hand or using only simple tools, not the pottery wheel. We will explore the various ways of creating functional and sculptural objects by learning different hand building techniques (slabs, coils and pinched pots) creating a variety of original pottery pieces! Instructor: Kim Falco

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Let’s Draw for Animation

Monday- Friday 1pm-4pm Ages 13-15

In this class, we will learn about how animators prep for creating movies and TV shows with animation. We will draw primarily from the human form. Students will learn to trust their own line, think more intuitively, and will learn to create movement by drawing from quick poses. Instructor: Nick Frizalone

Bold Watercolor and Pen Portraits

Tues., Wed., Thurs. 1pm-4pm Ages 14-16

Have fun learning to paint the portrait with bold watercolors and pen. We will explore the fundamentals of the portrait...proportions, shadow, patterns, plains of the head, etc. Using expressive contour line drawing, color mixing fundamentals and more, we will apply color to bring the drawings to life! Instructor: Jim Minet



WEEK 3 July 26 – 30 Morning Classes 9am-12pm

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Fine Art Painting with American Artists

Monday-Friday 9am-12pm Ages 9-11

Students are introduced to an American Artist Alice Neel best known for her colorful portraits of friends and family. In this class we will explore Alice Neel’s style, method and genre to paint portraits of our own family and friends! Together we will explore the basic elements of art through line, shape, color, texture and space. Students will work as the artist did on easels! (Students are encouraged to bring a picture (copy is fine) of family and friends for inspiration) Instructor: Melissa Vultaggio

Week 3 July 26-30 Afternoon Classes 1pm-4pm

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Let’s Draw! Mixed Media

Monday-Friday 1pm-4pm Ages 12-13

In this class, students will learn how to use multiple materials in one image. Students can choose what to draw. The instructor will guide each individual student in the mediums of their choosing, and will encourage each student to explore their own visual language. Stretch your imagination while strengthening your drawing and painting skills. Instructor: Nick Frizalone

The Landscape in Watercolor

Tues., Wed., Thurs. 1pm-4pm Ages 14-16

Learn to achieve a great watercolor wash...one of the most important components in watercolor. This class will cover all the fundamentals of watercolor, especially tonal value, an essential concept in all painting. We will explore color mixing, how to save whites and when to use gouache or masking fluid as well as when to paint wet on wet or wet on dry. This class will help students approach the medium with confidence and unleash their individual style and potential. Instructor: Jim Minet

Micro Made Macro: A Bug's Eye View of the World Monday-Friday 1pm-4pm Ages 10-11

We've all admired the incredible images our cameras capture that magnify the smallest details of flowers, insects, food, and other objects from our everyday world. With a Bug's Eye View, we'll apply this same principle to painting by getting up close and personal with butterfly wings, bee eyes, fruit skins, designs on money, and more. Join us for a colorful exploration of tiny worlds painted at full scale to display and admire. Instructor: Ivy Berg

WEEK 4 August 2 – 6 Morning Classes 9am-12pm

Fine Art Painting with American Artists Monday-Friday 9am-12pm Ages 6-8

This fun and engaging class will introduce students to American artist Georgia O'Keeffe who created strong, vibrant works with colors that glow with energy and vitality. We will learn about O'Keeffe's style and method, creating our own vibrant masterpieces! We will explore the basic elements of art through line, shape, color, texture and space! Students will work as the artist did on easels, allowing them to explore painting with energy and freedom of expression. Instructor: Melissa Vultaggio

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Abstract Art Exploration Monday- Friday 9am-12pm Ages 11-13

Embark on a journey of color and form in various media including watercolor, acrylic, ink, and pastel. We will delve into abstract expressionism, cubism, and more via watercolor washes, layered swipes, geometric design, paint pours and even abstract portraiture. The common theme will be bright, intense, and expressive color. Instructor: Ivy Berg

WEEK 4 August 2 -6 Afternoon Classes 1pm-4pm

Watercolor Painting Monday - Friday 1pm – 4 pm Ages 7-9

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Drawing with Light Monday-Friday 1pm-4pm Ages 13-15

In this class, students will learn about lighting and how it is used in artwork. We will look at traditional ways of lighting such as chiaroscuro and natural light, as well as contemporary methods that use colorful LED lights. We will make images with different lighting scenarios. Students will come out with a stronger knowledge of how light works, and how they can depict light in their own artwork. Instructor: Nick Frizalone

Watercolor Made Easy Monday-Friday 1pm-4pm Ages 14-16

Students will explore their creativity and translate a subject into the language of watercolor. Working on landscapes (with an emphasis on design, shapes and value) we will explore materials, techniques and composition to create wonderful watercolor paintings! Instructor: Mary Waka

WEEK 5 August 9 – 13 Morning Classes 9am-12pm

Fine Art Painting with American Artists Monday-Friday 9am-12pm Ages 5-6

Students are introduced to American Artist Wayne Thiebaud, best known for his still life paintings of edible treats, colorful cakes, slices of pie, candy pieces, and lollipops. In this class we will identify Thiebaud's style, method and genre and use it as inspiration to create our own delicious paintings. Together we will explore the basic elements of art through line, shape, color, texture and space. Students will work as the artist did on easels! Instructor: Melissa Vultaggio

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Figure Drawing Monday-Friday 1pm-4pm Ages 14-16

In this class, we will learn how to draw the human form. Students will learn how to build form with their own lines, marks and abstractions. There will be an emphasis on drawing from sight, as opposed to drawing from the head. Students will come out with a stronger knowledge of anatomy and a better sense of draftsmanship. Instructor: Nick Frizalone

Week 6 August 16-20 Morning Classes 9am-12pm

Fine Art Painting with American Artists **Monday-Friday** **9am-12pm** **Ages 7-9**

Students are introduced to American Artist Alma Thomas, best known for her signature style of rainbow colored mosaic like paintings inspired by sunsets, landscapes and the natural world around her. In this class we will learn about Thomas's style and method and create our own colorful mosaic paintings. Together we will explore the basic elements of art through line, shape, color, texture and space. Students will paint as the artist did on easels, allowing them to explore and interpret painting with energy and freedom of expression. Instructor: Melissa Vultaggio

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Week 6 August 16-20 Afternoon Classes 1pm-4pm

Fantastic Beasts and How to Paint Them! **Monday-Friday** **1pm-4pm** **Ages 9-11**

Who doesn't love a creature born of the imagination? Dragons, unicorns, griffins and beasts yet unknown! Bring your own imagined beasts of air, land and sea to life in paint. We begin by brainstorming and sketching our creatures using a combination of imagination and real-life animal references photos. Then we transfer those creatures to canvas and infuse them with beautiful acrylic color! Bring your wildest ideas and eagerness to learn Instructor: Ivy Berg

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Let's Draw! Surrealism **Monday-Friday** **1pm-4pm** **Ages 14-16**

In this class, we will explore surrealism in both drawing and painting and how we can use symbolism to make images. Students will be encouraged to exercise their imaginations to create strange and uncanny images, learning to embrace some of the fantastic and unreal aspects of art. We will look at the history of surrealism (art inspired by dreams or the subconscious mind), and how it has effected the art of both the past, and of today. Instructor: Nick Frizalone

Class Pricing

- Mon. - Fri. Five Half-Day classes, either 9 am-12 pm or 1 pm-4 pm = \$190.00
 - Mon. - Fri. Five Full-Day classes, 9 am – 4 pm = \$350.00 (lunch 12-1) **
 - Tues., Wed., Thurs. - Three Half-Day classes, 1pm-4 pm = \$130.00
- ** available where there are both morning and afternoon scheduled classes near your age group
Students bring their own nut-free lunch, drinks, and snacks.*

- We urge you to register at least 2 weeks before the beginning of a class session, since minimum enrollment of 5 students must be met and due to Covid we are limiting classes to 7. If a class does not meet minimum enrollment, your full payment will be refunded.
- Final Registration is complete only when payment and registration form have been submitted. The links to the registration form and credit card payment may be found on our website
- Sorry, we cannot hold a place in a class without payment/registration forms.
- We do not pro-rate fees due to planned absences, illnesses, vacation schedules or other conflicts.
- Full day Students may bring nut-free snacks, drinks and lunches. Please make sure your child's food/drinks are labeled with their name. We have a refrigerator if needed. The gallery has central AC, so if your child tends to chill easily, please send an old sweatshirt

Questions? Please do not hesitate to email us at classes@stacarts.org

The health and safety of our art students and staff remain our highest priority. Below, you will find a summary of actions we are taking to help ensure the safety of our students

We have Intensified cleaning and disinfection practices within our facilities and premises by cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces before and after each class, e.g., door handles, classroom tables, all bathroom surfaces after every use), cleaning and disinfecting any shared art supplies before each class. (CDC approved products)

Masks required for all students and adults while in our building *Reduced capacity-classes for social distancing * Routine disinfecting of the studio before & after class

*** No sharing of art supplies. * Students will have a labeled supply box. *All supplies disinfected after class * Drop-off/pick-up will take place outside the classrooms ***

We will be checking the temperature (contactless) of every child and adult entering the building * All of our teaching staff have been fully vaccinated

**We promise to stretch your children's imaginations
and inspire them to explore their creativity!**