

SUMMER ART STUDIO

Hello parents/guardians!

Cranbrook has a deep-rooted passion for the arts and we've taken that philosophy and combined it with our own. Assistant director, Matt Benyo, and I have been working together and shaping this camp for the past ten years. This spring, the two of us presented at the American Camp Association Mid-States Camp conference that we attend as part of our professional development and we take what we learn at these annual conferences and impart it on our staff. This year, we have plenty of things to look forward to here at camp, other than the art all day: ground exploration, spontaneous dance parties, super fun games from renowned educational program PLAYMEO, tie-dye on Gallery Show days (the 4th and 8th week), a special side project we're offering where you can make shirts into bags, and who knows what else might show up! Each week, we're offering a themed day where we go all out (and here at an art camp, we rise to the occasion). In the past, we've had 4th of July, Rainbow, and Pirate day! This year, we've got a lot of neat ideas up our sleeves that we will reveal each week so keep an eye on our newsletter!

We have a smaller staff of eleven, which allows us to give each camper plenty of attention and guidance on their artistic journey. We grew up making art and stayed the course through adulthood. We didn't forget how to be artists once we grew up and we want to share that joy with each of our campers. Whether your child is a novice or a veteran of the arts, we work with each and every child as an individual at Summer Art Studio. My favorite thing about camp is the relationships we create with one another. We have had campers coming as long as I have worked here! One camper is returning for her EIGHTH YEAR. She's like family to us! We make your child feel like this is a home away from home. It's an incredible feeling that keeps me coming back year after year.

A quick run down of Summer Art Studio: Each week, we offer different subjects. Juniors (grades 2-5) have three subjects and seniors (grades 6-9) have two subjects. The importance of using a variety of media cannot be overstated. We believe in getting your hands into EVERYTHING! We encourage experimentation. Every Tuesday and Thursday, we swim at the Williams Natatorium. As previously stated, we have two gallery shows each summer on the Friday of the 4th week and the 8th week. It's great to showcase the hard work each camper has put into making beautiful work while allowing our staff to meet you! Gallery shows can be attended by family AND friends; the more the merrier!

We are looking forward to another great summer with a diverse staff, a robust and entertaining schedule, and, of course, your child.



Chelsea Kirchoff
Director, Summer Art Studio

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NEWSLETTER



SUMMER 2019 AT SAS

We are so excited that your camper will be joining us this summer! We have huge plans filled with awesome art projects, exciting theme days, fun and synergistic games, amazing adventures, and even a few new surprises.

Jnior Division

Week 1: Painting, Ceramics, Fiber/Fabric
Week 2: Drawing, 3D/Building, Jewelry
Week 3: Painting, Ceramics, Printmaking
Week 4: 3D/Building, Photo, Illustration
Week 5: Painting, Jewelry, Sculpture
Week 6: Illustration, Ceramics, Fiber/Fabric
Week 7: Drawing, 3D/Building, Photo
Week 8: Design, Ceramics, Illustration

Senior Division

Week 1: 3D/Building, Illustration
Week 2: Wheel Throwing, Digital
Week 3: Drawing, Fiber/Fabric
Week 4: Ceramics, Acrylic
Week 5: Wheel Throwing, Digital
Week 6: Illustration, Photography
Week 7: Ceramics, Jewelry
Week 8: Watercolor, Sculpture



PICASSO'S P.A.R.R.O.T. PATROL

Picasso the Parrot is returning as Summer Art Studio's mascot! Part of our camp's culture is embodying qualities that help make camp fun—where we all strive to be the best that we can be. Parrot stands for:

Polite
Attentive
Respectful
Responsible
Organized
Teamwork

Each day, Summer Art Studio has an award ceremony where several campers are nominated to become part of Picasso's Parrot Patrol. Out of the number nominated, the staff chooses two campers, one from the junior division and one from the senior division to win a specialized Picasso pin, and they become part of the Parrot Patrol – helping us scout out other campers that also embody the PARROT qualities.

CRAN BAGS

At the end of each day, we are offering a special activity where campers can purchase shirts from previous years and turn them into a tote bag! We decorate them, paint them, and bead them, too! If your camper would like to participate, it's \$5/shirt, which can be charged to your account.

JUST A REMINDER

- Two snacks and lunch (if opted for) are provided for your camper each day.
- On Tuesdays and Thursdays, we swim at the Williams Natatorium, so please remember to bring a bathing suit and towel!
- Drop off is from 8:45 - 9:00 am and pick up is from 3:00 – 3:15 pm.
- During pick-up and drop-off, continue to move as far forward as possible. Please do not exit your vehicle when you are in line, staff will be available to help your camper enter and exit through the passenger side doors. Once your camper is in your vehicle, please do not pull around cars in front of you still loading campers; remain in line.
- Open-toed footwear is not allowed at Summer Art Studio. This is a safety issue. Examples of acceptable footwear are: Sneakers, tennis shoes, etc.

Thank you for all of your cooperation and helping us create a fun and safe camp experience for your artist!

GALLERY SHOW AND TIE DYE

This summer, our two Gallery Shows are taking place on **Friday, July 12th** and **Friday, August 9th** from **2:00 until 3:00**.

The first Gallery Show will be a time to come and celebrate all of the art that has been created during the first session of Summer Art Studio, displayed in a gallery format, curated by your campers (with a little help from instructors). This is also a great time to meet and talk with your camper's favorite instructors and assistants! Parents, grandparents, family, and friends are all welcome and encouraged to attend!

Our Gallery Shows are "Take Away" Galleries. What this means is that once a camper has guided his or her family through the Gallery, they will be permitted to take all of their projects down from the walls/ off of the tables and are free to leave. In order to see the Gallery in its fullest presentation we encourage you to arrive closer to the start time.

If your camper isn't coming to camp during Week 4 (July 8-12) and/or Week 8 (August 5-9) but he/she would still like to attend our Gallery Show, we will gladly hold on to and display their selected art at the upcoming Gallery Show, which you are more than welcome to return for!

We hope to see you all there!

On these Gallery Show Fridays we will also be tie-dyeing!

This is always an exciting activity for campers but a very messy one too! Please make sure they do not wear their favorite outfit or new shoes on Friday if they will be tie-dyeing.

If your camper would like to participate, they can bring 1 large item (tshirt, pillowcase, etc.) or two small items (socks, bandana, etc.). Items should be white and at least 80% Cotton. If the items are new, make sure they have been washed.

This is a great time to make an old shirt look new again! Multi-washed items work best in this process.

We also have white Summer Art Studio t-shirts and aprons available for purchase, which can be tie-dyed in addition to or instead of the 1 large, or 2 small items brought from home. Each item is \$10 and can be charged to your account.

At Home Instructions for Tie-Dye

Campers will bring their creations home in a zip lock bag. Items should sit overnight in the Ziploc bag and then they should be rinsed under cold water until water runs clear, rubber bands removed, and washed separately in cold water for the first couple of washes.

