

SUMMER ART STUDIO

NEWSLETTER



WEEK TWO: June 23 – June 27

The end of the second week! It has been a week full of fun art projects for our campers. We also celebrated our second theme day of camp: SHREKTASTIC FAIRY TALES! We would love to see your child return and continue to further their artistic talent!

Junior Division

Week 3: Multi-Media, Ceramics, Storybook Illustration
Week 4: Sculpture, Pointillism, Cartooning
Week 5: Painting, Jewelry, Portraiture
Week 6: Abstract, Ceramics, Fibers
Week 7: 3D, Book Cover Design, Non-Traditional Painting
Week 8: Multi-Media, Ceramics, Illustration

Senior Division

Week 3: Anatomy, Fibers, Advertising
Week 4: Ceramics, Plein Air, Book Cover Design
Week 5: Wheel Throwing, Sketchbook, Printmaking
Week 6: Watercolor, Portraiture, Plein Air
Week 7: Ceramics, Illustration, Non-Traditional Painting
Week 8: Pointillism, Sculpture, Still-Life

P.A.R.R.O.T.

Picasso the Parrot is Summer Art Studio's mascot!

Part of our camp's culture is embodying qualities that help make camp fun while striving to be the best version of ourselves that. Parrot stands for:

Polite, **A**ttentive, **R**espectful, **R**esponsible, **O**rganized, **T**eamwork

Each day, Summer Art Studio has an award ceremony where several campers are nominated to become part of Picasso's Parrot based on how well they incorporate Parrot into their daily actions and choices. Out of those nominated, two campers are chosen, one from the junior division and one from the senior division, and they become PARROT!

We hope your child will join us in helping to be PARROT while with us this summer. Be sure to ask your child about PARROT and what they are doing to make conscious choices towards being a PARROT.



JUST A REMINDER

- Open toed footwear and Heelys are not allowed at Cranbrook Camps. This is a safety issue. Examples of acceptable footwear are: sneakers, tennis shoes, Crocs, etc.
- Two snacks per day and hot lunch (if opted for) are provided for your child. Please be sure to send water (or other beverages for lunch) with your child as there will not be beverage service available at Cranbrook. We recommend a water bottle which they will be able to fill throughout the day.
- On Wednesdays, we swim at the Williams Natatorium. Please, make sure your child has a swimsuit and a towel if swimming.
- Drop off is 8:45 am - 9:00 am & pick up is 3:00 pm – 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 child enter and exit through the passenger side doors.
- During pick-up, move as far forward as possible and wait in line until the car in front of you moves. This is for the safety of our campers and also the other parents.

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

JUNIOR DIVISION

Drawing: This week in Alison's class, we took the tradition of drawing and approached it in a whole new way; in fact, the opposite way. Typically, when we think of drawing, we think of making darker marks on white paper, but this week the campers pulled their images out of black paper using white charcoal pencil and chalk pastels. These drawings are formed with the technique of chiaroscuro where a strong contrast between light and dark create a sense of volume, drama, and depth.

Advika S: primarily used chalk pastel to make her drawing of a ghost feel light and transparent.

Annabelle L: grasped the technique of crosshatching beautifully and used the new skill in her drawing of flowers.

Cecile G: showed an exceptional handle of chalk pastel, creating nuanced shifts of shadow in her hot air balloon drawing.

Clover T: looked to nature for inspiration by creating a tree with hundreds of white branches that stretched across the black page like lightning.

Emma P: chose a seemingly simple object in a soccer ball, but through texture and cropping made her drawing dynamic and full of energy.

Grace V: worked exceptionally hard to build up layers and layers of chalk pastel to achieve the translucency and shine of a white balloon.

Jude MG: worked on some haunting silhouettes of characters from his favorite game. So beautiful, but so menacing!

Luke C: knew EXACTLY what he wanted to draw: a Boeing 747 airplane pointed right at the viewer! The drawing came out beautifully!

Matthias MG: picked the perfect image with his drawing of a steam engine train. The steel engine and the wispy smoke looked great!

Noah H: was up for a challenge when he started his drawing of a coiled-up snake. His persistence and eye on detail made the drawing come to life.

3D: This week in Jake's class, campers created their own characters along with their own packaging! The campers first created the foundational parts of their figures out of tin foil. Then, they covered their characters in modeling clay and designed the boxes to represent the packaging one would see in the store for their toy! This project was a basic study in structural building, character design, and branding.

Addie P: created her character, 'Abbey', wearing a bunny costume!

Eman E: sculpted a dreamy unicorn with fairytale qualities!

Grace P: made her own rendition of Stitch striking a pose!

Henry F: built an amazing character who operates a robotic suit!

Kingston F: created a helpful superhero named Jackson who loves sports!

Mara R: made BunBun, a rabbit who is silly and can jump really high!

Maryam W: created two beautiful creatures with dedication to her craft!

Mason R: made his own Minecraft character, 'Enderman' who has the ability to teleport!

Maya O: built an awesome robot who is kind and makes me want to say "beep boop"!

Violet T: made an adorable dog named Ella, accompanied with a dog house!

Vita S: sculpted a beautiful flamingo character named Lilly that puts me in a "summery" mood!

Art in Nature: This week in Lauren's class, campers connected with nature by brainstorming, designing and then creating a pet rock and its home! Once campers had a solid idea for how to decorate their rock and an exciting design for their house, they had to come up with a story behind their creation, which included, but was not limited to: their rock's name, their rock's backstory, and the reason for the design of their rock's home. The final step was creation, where campers used various natural and

manmade items, varying from sticks to leaves, from rocks to popsicle sticks, and from cardboard to pinecones, to turn their ideas into a sculpture!

Bailey L: went big and bold with a giant cylindrical house for her pet rock, some may say it looks like the perfect nature-themed birthday cake!

Maria K: showed her love for being diligent and original through both her 3D purple grass and her leaf pattern on her pet rock!

Mary C: was super committed to her project and brought in her own nature findings for her geometric house and adorably unique rock!

Maya L: tackled a full on environment for her panda-themed pet rock, choosing to make not only a house, but also a river and bamboo plants!

Penny D: went for a more complicated cone shaped house and decorated it using various different leaves, sticks and paper!

Riley F: turned her simple pet rock into a cute bunny with a picture perfect home using lots of bark, popsicle sticks, and leaves!

Sophia C: had a super fun and almost modern architectural design to her house, which was the perfect addition to her whimsical pet rock!

Sukhnaaz S: was ambitious with making a house shaped like a mushroom for her bee-themed pet rock by using various different colored paper, sticks, and gemstones!



SENIOR DIVISION

Wheel Throwing: This week in Mr. Tom's class, campers had the opportunity in wheel throwing to create functional mugs! The campers were introduced to foundational wheel throwing techniques such as centering, compressing, coning, pulling, and trimming. Processes such as surface detailing, adding attachments, and glaze finishing were also strong areas of focus this week. The campers developed their design skills to add layers of personality to their works using carving tools, brushes, and unique artisanal glaze combinations.

Ainsley A: picked up wheel throwing quickly and created a beautiful cylinder cup body for her mug. She also finished it with a unique glaze combination.

Allison L: had her piece take on a fun theme, as she created a honey jar form complete with a label, carved dripping motif, and a lid.

Aubrey M: was determined to master throwing as she had multiple tries - each time only getting better. She finished with a conical shaped vessel.

Denym B: jumped right in and wasted no time, getting up to speed with a very new hands on process. She successfully created a cute teacup!

Greta K: created a wonderful and sturdy mug, all by hand! She made sure to attach her handle using the score and slip method for a good bond.

Hailey R: crafted a beautiful mug with a protruding heart detail. She made sure to attach her sculpted heart and handle with so much care.

Ivy T: made a wonderful mug with a delicate handle. In the studio, she was very thoughtful towards the tidiness of the space and attentive when cleaning up any spills or messes from others throughout the period.

Mila I: picked up throwing quickly and was able to throw tall and thin cups like a pro! She ended the week with a beautiful, delicate cylindrical mug.

Samantha F: wanted to challenge herself with throwing while still staying on the theme of functional ceramic ware. She made a round shaped jar with a lid that turned out amazing!

Sofia T: took throwing very seriously, upon her first try she was able to create a nice and substantial rim mug with a beautifully coiled long handle.

Sydney S: mastered centering quickly after being introduced. She was able to create a very nice tea cup shape with an adorable slab handle.

Abstract: This week in Jay's class, campers experimented with acrylic paint and various techniques to create abstract self-portraits inspired by the famous abstract painter, Wassily Kandinsky. Campers experimented with various objects, including painters' knives, multiple brush sizes, acrylic pens, and textured stencils, to create a work of art that not only reflected their style, but also represented facets of their personalities.

Amarah H: spent a lot of time practicing and perfecting her portrait in a way that represented more than just what she saw in the mirror, finding expression in the act of creating and beautifully displaying that on canvas.

Ava B: found the patterns within not just her appearance, but within what she wore, adding incredible details to her earrings.

Avery B: perfected their self-portrait by splitting what they saw in reality and the expression they found in abstract art in half through their work.

Cailen T: expressed himself beautifully using the shapes found in his everyday appearance, adding incredible detail to his hair.

Emelia A: expressed herself and the colors and shapes she found within.

Emmet M: focused on finding more than just the shapes within his appearance, but the colors he could use to express himself, landing in a piece that not only expresses Kandinsky's style, but the style of cubism.

Esme M: found not only herself, but the values within her reflection and executed them in an elegant, yet abstract way.

Sophia M: expressed not just what she saw in the mirror, but what she saw within when creating the perfect abstract portrait.

Sophia S: went extremely abstract with the shapes, designs, color, and overall attitude of her piece, choosing abstract in style/display.

Swara D: perfected her self-portrait in a cubism-focused style, rounding out edges with hatched lines that can be found within Kandinsky's works.

Costume Design: This week in Alison's class, campers dove into the exciting world of character and costume design! They explored all aspects of what made a character come to life through clothing, accessories, and visual storytelling. They created detailed paper dolls of their characters, complete with outfits and accessories that reflected their personalities and stories. Some campers invented their very own superheroes with unique powers and styles, while others reimagined existing characters in fresh and creative ways.

Abby V: watch out for Superhero Audrey - our president by day, spider-bite-powered superhero by night, with nearly every power imaginable... except when she's faced with her biggest weakness: spiders!

Audrey K: introducing Abby - a vet by day, cheetah-print covered, lightning-charged animal-whisperer by night. She heals, speaks to, and becomes any creature she chooses!

Elliot G: meet Mr. X - a nuclear-waste survivor with flying powers, telekinesis, and a crippling need for caffeine; sleep is his weakness!

Griffin M: watch out for this hero - lightning-fast with a legendary bow and arrow. Blink and you'll miss both the shot and the shooter!

Khloe H: say hi to Nova - after a bite from a mysterious blue dog, she gained wild powers: talking to animals, healing them, breathing underwater, and turning stuff into "Stitches", but don't let her skip lunch!

Lexie K: meet Ivie - a 10th-grade student turned invisible ice queen after a wild chemical cure went sideways, now she freezes villains before they ever see her coming!

Maya H: here comes Izzy - a shape-shifting, wall-crawling marine biologist with a snake bite origin, a snake tongue, and zero tolerance for lemonade!

Nova T: introducing Jade - a 15-year-old elemental powerhouse who bends water, lightning, and air with super speed. Just don't mess with her on hot days or full moons!

Sadie K: say hello to Fiera - born from the ashes of her burned-down home, she wields fiery gloves that ignite anything she touches!

Vivienne M: meet Poppy - gifted with every power you can dream of after a crystal-charged nap in the woods. Just keep spiders, soda, and coffee far, far away for her!



GALLERY SHOW AND TIE DYE

This summer, our two Gallery Shows are taking place on **Friday, July 11th** and **Friday, August 8th** from **2:00 until 3:00**.

This is a time to come and celebrate all of the art and end of our first session of Summer Art Studio displayed in a gallery curated by your artist (with a little help from our staff). This is also a great time to meet and talk with your child's favorite instructors and counselors! 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 child has guided their family through the Gallery, they will take all of their projects down from the walls and off of the tables and are free to leave. Therefore, to see the Gallery in its fullest form, we encourage you to arrive closer to the start time.

If your child isn't coming to camp on Weeks 4 and/or 8 (July 7-11 or August 4-8), but would still like to attend our Gallery Show, we will gladly hold on to and display their art at the nearest Gallery Show, which you are more than welcome to come back for!

We hope to see you 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 those Fridays if they will be tie-dyeing.

If your child would like to participate, they may purchase an apron or a tote bag from our camp. Tote bags are \$15 and aprons are \$20. If you would like to purchase one, or more, of these items to allow your child to tie dye, we can charge your ultracamp account. Please, do not bring any cash to camp.

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 can be rinsed under cold water until water runs (almost) clear, rubber bands removed, and washed separately in cold water.

