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Fall 2009 Art & Club Schedule

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| Mon | Class Name | Time | Ages |
|-------|---|-----------------|---------------------|
| | Beginning Art | 4:15 – 5:15pm | 4.5 – 6 y.o. |
| | Cartooning | 5:30 – 6:30pm | 6 – 9 y.o. |
| | Paint It! | 6:45 – 7:45pm | 8 + y.o. |
| Tues | Class Name | Time | Ages |
| | Home School Art | 12:30 – 1:30pm | 5 + y.o. |
| | Home School Clay | 1:45 – 2:45pm | 5 + y.o. |
| | Beginning Clay | 4:15 – 5:15pm | 4.5 – 6 y.o. |
| | Art & Clay Combo | 5:30 – 6:30pm | 7 – 9 y.o. |
| | Advanced Art | 6:45 – 7:45pm | 10 + y.o. |
| Wed | Class Name | Time | Ages |
| | Mini Picasso | 1:00 – 1:45pm | 3 – 4 y.o. |
| | Beginning Clay | 2:00 – 3:00pm | 4.5 – 6 y.o. |
| | Art & Clay Combo | 3:15 – 4:15pm | 7 – 9 y.o. |
| | Teens & Adults Clay Wheel | 4:30 – 6:00pm | 10+ y.o. |
| Thurs | Class Name | Time | Ages |
| | Art Explorers | 4:15 – 5:15pm | 7 – 9 y.o. |
| | Fashion Fun Club | 5:30 – 6:30pm | 7 – 12 y.o. |
| | The Cool Club | 6:45 – 7:45pm | 7 – 12 y.o. |
| Fri | Class Name | Time | Ages |
| | Mini Picasso | 1:00 – 1:45pm | 3 – 4 y.o. |
| Sat | Class Name | Time | Ages |
| | Art Sampler | 9:00 – 10:00am | all ages |
| | Art Sampler | 10:15 – 11:15am | all ages |
| Sun | Class Name | Time | Ages |
| | Family Arts & Crafts | 2:00 – 3:00pm | children and adults |

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Mini-Picasso (Ages 3 - 4): Your child is never too young to develop their creativity! Children learn our step-by-step Explore Art method, which teaches them how to transform simple shapes into great art. They also are given other more free-form exploratory lessons, where their imagination is the limit! Emphasis is placed on refining the student's motor skills, encouraging their independence, and improving their ability to take instruction, make marks and apply color.

Beginning Art (ages 4.5 - 6): In this class, children create works of art using our step-by-step Explore Art Method. Basic elements of shape are introduced with warm-up exercises in this structured course developed to not only be fun but to encourage fine motor skills and self esteem. Students learn to draw and apply color, overlap images, and create detailed pictures with confidence. Children should be able to write their own name and be comfortable taking direction for an hour.

Art Explorers (ages 7 - 9): Young artists are taught to create a work of arts using multiple approaches in this introductory class. We draw fun things that interest both children and their parents - from animals of all sizes and favorite storybook characters to trucks at work and beautiful landscapes. Children are shown how to render outlines, combine shapes, and introduced to simple art concepts, terminology, and history – all in a fun and exciting way! Our students produce wonderful representational and abstract pictures that are typically considerably beyond developmental level.

Advanced Art (ages 10 and up): This class is geared toward the student who is ready for a challenge and is willing to tackle elements of art that require a serious, focused effort. Beginners in this age group will enjoy a structured and helpful atmosphere while completing a new project every week, and more confident artists have the opportunity to embark upon independent projects that span several classes. They will build an impressive portfolio as they discuss famous artworks, art movements, and gain new stylistic approaches.

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Home School Art & Clay (ages 5 and up): In this mixed medium class, students alternate between art and clay lessons, learning from an enriching curriculum designed to complement lessons from home. The enrichment of art exercises through the use of creative approaches enables each student to realize his own educational potential within a group atmosphere. Valuable concepts are taught through visual art - including aesthetics, perceptual awareness, creativity, skills, learning terminology and history, and gaining a feeling of self-confidence. The classes are based on the students individual needs and abilities, while promoting creative thinking abilities. Clay work involves hand-building techniques, which encourage both fine motor skills and 3- dimensional understanding.

Cartooning (ages vary): Come discover the secrets of comic book artistry with Marvel comics illustrator Jon Achepol. Young cartoonists will create their own characters and learn how to take

a picture from basic outline to detailed masterpiece, using professional tips and tricks. From Spiderman to the XMen, this class is a must for budding comic book artists!

Paint It! (ages 8 and up): Dabble in this cherished medium as we explore the textures and beauty of paint. From the soft scenes of watercolor to bright abstracts in acrylic, students will learn how to manipulate color, combine layers, and use the paintbrush to express their innermost creativity. This course is best suited for those with some previous art experience.

Beginning Clay (ages 4.5 - 6): Jump into the fun of clay with this introductory class! The focus is on hand building techniques, slab construction, coil construction, sculptures and abstract forms. Each lesson presents a specific technique and fun project – like an animal mug or a jack o’ lantern candleholder – complete with painting. Students develop their fine motor skills and build self-confidence as they make a lump of clay into a colorful sculpture.

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Art & Clay Combo (ages 4.5 - 6): This class is the best of both worlds as students alternate between art lessons one week and clay sculpting the next. This combination makes each class fun and new while they hone their hand eye motor coordination and focus. Art lessons include our famous step-by-step methodology and our clay instruction focuses on the basics of hand building and glazing.

Art & Clay Deluxe (ages 7 - 9): This class offers Explore’s best to our advancing artists as they alternate between art lessons one week and clay wheel throwing the next. By constantly exposing students to new mediums, we keep the class fresh and exciting, no matter what their interest. Art lessons have numerous stylistic approaches with mixed-mediums and our clay instruction focuses on the basics of hand building and glazing as well as an introduction to wheel work.

Teens and Adults Clay Wheel Throwing (ages 10 to Adult): Students will learn how to throw on the wheel, progressing from basic cylinder to more subtle and interesting shapes. Students may pursue personal projects like creating sculptural forms and decorative vessels, like teapots, birdhouses, plates, and more. While pots dry, students explore hand built projects with coils, slab, and sculptural methods. Slips, glazes, decorative painting and other embellishments will be taught.

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Family Arts & Crafts (children and adults): This is a great way to explore the world of arts & crafts as a family! We’ll draw and paint fun subjects for everyone, teaching skills and art history along the way. Crafts will be fun for all, with a focus on handmade projects like cards, mobiles, sand art, mosaics, and more. No need to buy lots of supplies and clean up messes in your home to spend quality creative time together – we take care of it all for you!

Fashion Fun Club (ages 7 - 12): Come have fun with friends in a club made just for crafty girls with an eye for fashion. We learn how to sew by hand and with a machine to make outfits for dolls or accessories for ourselves. Girls will create their own designs and make amazing crafts such as photo frames, dream catchers, jewelry, altered books, sachets, quilts, and more. Join us as we share, laugh, and have a ton of fun!

The Cool Club (ages 7 - 12): Be cool and explore with us! Each month we embark on a new theme: the worlds of robotics and video game programming, drawing Star Wars art lessons, creating Harry Potter crafts and more. Learn new things, meet new friends, and have fun – what could be cooler?

Theater & Moviemaking (ages 10 and up): The magic of movies and theater comes alive! This Club teaches the basics of acting and moviemaking to kids who see their name in lights. We tackle all sides of moviemaking as they try their hand at screenwriting, producing, cinematography, editing, and more. Actors will hone their skills as they work in all the aspects of theater – improv, movement, blocking, projection, creating a character, understanding the classics, how to combat stage fright, and more. All the fun builds to end of term performances and screenings on the red carpet!

Art & Clay Sampler (all ages): Not sure where to start with art? We've got the perfect class for you! Bring all your children to experiment in multiple mediums – including basic drawing, an introduction to painting, clay hand building, and more. This is a great way for siblings and friends to have fun with each other, while learning new skills and gaining confidence from making something amazing each weekend! No prior experience is necessary.

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