

# Summer Art Camp Activity Descriptions

## Week by Week

| Week | Date:        | Time: | Theme   |
|------|--------------|-------|---|
| 1    | June 1-5     | AM    | Legacy of an Artist: Artists with a Story           |
|      |              | PM    | The Art of Now: What's Trending                     |
| 2    | June 8-12    | AM    | Art About Town: Installations in our Community      |
|      |              | PM    | Art We Used: Recycling for a Better Tomorrow        |
| 3    | June 15-19   | AM    | Wizards!  |
|      |              | PM    | Masters of Fiction: The Inklings and More!          |
| 4    | July 6-10    | AM    | The United Kingdom                                  |
|      |              | PM    | South of Our Border                                 |
| 5    | July 13-17   | AM    | Tales from the Deep                                 |
|      |              | PM    | Sky Legends   |
| 6    | July 20-24   | AM    | The World Below our Feet: Things that Live Down Low |
|      |              | PM    | Tall Tall Mountains                                 |
| 7    | August 3-7   | AM    | Fantastically Fabulous Fibers!                      |
|      |              | PM    | A Visual Feast: The art of food!                    |
| 8    | August 10-14 | AM    | The World We Build: Manmade Stuff!                  |
|      |              | PM    | Nature's Weirdos: Peculiar Plants and Animals       |

## Week 1 June 1-5

### AM Session: The Art of Now:

#### Ann Judy's Class

In Miss Ann's Ceramic Class, campers will learn about contemporary ceramic artist Sunkoo Yuh, A Korean-American Artist who is currently active and makes incredibly large whimsical ceramic sculpture! His work is sure to delight the campers and for their project, they will create their own (much smaller) ceramic sculptures where they combine the people, pets, and other neat things in their life. They will glaze their work in Yuh's drippy style too!



Ceramic Sculpture by Sunkoo Yuh

#### Jessica Held's Class



Campers will join contemporary artist Mel Chin's current ongoing "Fundred" project that started in 2006! This amazing artist lead organization uses children's art to raise money and awareness for childhood lead poisoning. Campers will make their own "fundred" dollar bills as we contribute to this noble cause! This project is indeed very NOW!

#### Jessie Carter's Class

We will learn about the Art of Andy Goldsworthy in this unit and use natural objects from outside to create unique installations and art pieces both in and out of door. Next we will learn about different definitions and types of art. We will talk about how art is always moving, always floating from one inspiration to another. We'll get a little wild as we use paint and balloons to make unique and "in the moment" art pieces



# PM Session: Legacy of an Artist

## Ann Judy's Class

This week is Miss Ann's ceramics class, campers will learn all about the work of famous ceramicist and painter Beatrice Woods. This artist was well known for her lusterware pottery. Her bowls, chalices, and other utilitarian vessels graced with brilliant iridescent glazes can be found in museums and private collections worldwide. For their project, campers will create their own ceramic chalices and use a combination of glossy glazes and paints to mimic wood's style.



Chalice by Beatrice Woods

## Jessie Carter's Class



Jackson Pollock

Artists create art in very different ways. This week we will be making art in some weird and fun ways, like splatter painting (SWISH & FLICK!) and painting without using our hands!

## Cindy Poland's Class

In Cindy's class this week, we will learn about the artwork of artist Friedensreich Hundertwasser. We'll talk about concepts like organic vs inorganic shapes and structures. We'll add color to photocopies of generic buildings, explore spirals and create a "Sculpture Arc". We'll do this last bit as a group and parents are allowed to come and help out in the last 10 minutes! So come early for pick up and bring your camera!



Friedensreich Hundertwasser

## **Week 2 June 8-12**

### **AM Session: Art About Town**

#### **Emily Beveridge's Class**



This week, we will learn about the world's largest public art event: Cow Parades! We will make our own **Ceramic Cow Parade Plaques**. Campers will learn about the "Cow Parade" installation project that has been staged in major US and international cities the past 15 years by designing and creating their own slab ceramic art cows. We'll learn about the Dairy barn's history while we

are at it and about our own art cow! Then we will move to Painted Rock Public Installations! Using rocks and paint, the classes will create an installation that will reside in a public place in Athens! Let's paint the town ('s rocks!)

#### **Jessica Held's Class**

In this week we'll show some community pride in Jessica's class as we make Athens inspired artwork to be hung around town! We have some local partners lined up and ready to host some awesome art!

#### **Sarah Minkin's Class**

"Performance Art": After learning about and practicing different forms of performance art, campers will create their own performance art acts.

"Random Arts of Kindness": Campers will make a variety of tiny installation art items that can later be 'hidden' around town and discovered with a smile.

## **Week 2 June 8-12**

### **PM Session: Art We Used**

#### **Sarah Minkin's Class**

In Sarah's class, we'll get our wiggle on! "Recycled Rhythms": Campers will make a variety of musical instruments out of recycled materials and practice playing in rhythm. "It's Not Trash, It's Art": Using their creative minds, campers will create works of art out of waste. "Reenactment of the R's": Through movement actives and yoga, campers will learn about the processes of reduce, reuse, and recycle.

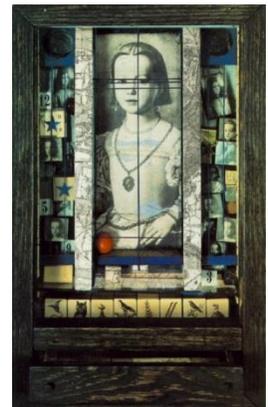
#### **Emily Beveridge's Class**



We will explore the awesome reclaiming powers of heat this week in Emily's class! Campers will make Recycled Glass Ceramic Sea Serpent Bowls. These are bowls that include a mythical sea serpent will be created by the students out of clay. Blue recycled glass from bottles will be added in the bowls by the teacher during firing, which will melt to give the illusion of sea water. We'll also make foam Tray Plaster Plaques using recycled foam vegetable trays from the grocery store that will be carved by students to create images and designs of their choosing. Plaster will be poured in by the teacher to create a relief plaque which will then be painted.

#### **Nancy Epling**

In Nancy's Class this week our imaginations will take wing as we use the bounty of found object at our disposal to make three incredible projects! First up, "Reimagined Thrift Store paintings"! Campers will use their imaginations to transform and put their own spin on found thrift store paintings! Next we'll make Knick-Knack Portrait! Using inspiration from Knick knacks and small found objects campers will create portraits of themselves with the many found pieces. Last up we'll make our own Cornell Boxes! Using only recycled and found objects campers will tell a story with knick knacks to create their own shadow boxes based on the work of artists Joseph Cornell



# Week 3 June 15-19

## AM Session: Wizards

### Cindy Poland's Class



Any veteran camper will tell you, Cindy is like the Queen of Wizards Camp! Each year she creates a whole Wizards laboratory and her projects are amazing! This year is sure to be up to par! We'll make Wizard Hats ala Harry Potter, Enchanted Pens, Wizard Wands. We'll play with potions, and have a relaxing butter beer! (NA of course!)



### Emily Beveridge's Class

Description: In this week of Wizards in Emily's class, we'll be learning about the four elements and making our own ceramic Elemental Beings. Pixies, sprites and fairies will be explored in this ceramic project. Students will have a chance to design a being based on a specific element in nature using clay and mixed media components.



### Sarah Minkin's Class

Wow! We are going to busy this week in Sarah's class! In "Potions" campers will learn about the properties of herbs and flowers. In "Charms", campers will explore the art of spell casting through fun, yoga inspired movement games. In "Broomsticks", Campers will make their own broomsticks to be used in a game of quidditch! Lastly, we make "Tales of the future". Campers will learn about the roles of wizards from around the world and experience being wizards.



# PM Session: Masters of Fiction: The Inklings & More

## Anita Wasko's Class

During this weeks' theme Anita plans to run a Dungeons and Dragons campaign with the students. We will make characters, roll dice and take action against the Dragon that hides in the hills of Athens! The characters and campaign will be similar to the world J.R.R. Tolkien created in The Hobbit and The Lord of the Rings. It's gonna be good!



## Emily Beveridge's Class



In ceramics, we'll make Dragon Boats (*Based on the book Prince Caspian and The Voyage of the Dawn Treader by C.S. Lewis*) Taking inspiration from author C.S. Lewis, students will create dragon boats out of clay, glaze and decorate them, and make fabric sail cloths to finish their vessels!

## Sarah Minkin's Class

"Enacting the Classics" – After reading adaptations of the Masters of Fiction, campers will act out their version of classic stories and create their own.

"It Starts with a Sentence" – Campers will develop collaborative storytelling skills through improvisational storytelling games that highlight listening and creative skills.

"The Art of Bookmaking" - To tell their own stories, campers will experiment with different techniques of interactive book design and make handmade books.



## **Week 4 July 6-10**

### **AM Session: The United Kingdom**

#### **Jessica Held's Class**



We will create artwork inspired by historic and contemporary United Kingdom artists. From Goldsworthy to Banksy, we will make art outside and on the walls!

#### **April Felipe's Class**

We will hop around the many countries of The United Kingdom, from Welsh Dragons to bobble Beef Eaters and a mad hatters tea party. Campers will create projects and learn ceramic building skills.



#### **Cindy Poland's Class**



Cindy and her husband took the trip of a lifetime last year to Ireland and she is ready to share some of the magic with us in this dynamic week. We'll dance around the maypole, and learn Morris Sword Dancing! For which we will of course need our own swords(no sharp edges of course, they are just for show) and all the traditional accoutrements like jingle strips and other props!

## Week 4 July 6-10

### PM Session: South of our Border

#### Karly Strukamp's Class

Campers will study volcanoes along the Central American Volcanic Belt while creating paper mache volcanoes. Campers will briefly study the art of mural painting in Costa Rica while designing and completing a Costa Rican-inspired mural on large recycled cardboard.



#### April Felipe's Class



Campers will make new friends as we travel south of the boarder. We will meet the Elf Owl and its home as well as an Oaxaca Lizards, cacti and so much more. Campers will be working in ceramics and other materials.

#### Emily Beveridge's Class

We have two awesome projects coming up in Emily's this week. First up, Poured Plaster and Clay Aztec Sun Stones! Terracotta clay slabs will be created, and then decorated using texture tools to resemble Aztec sunstones. Plaster will be poured onto the slabs by the teacher, and once dry, decorated using paints. Next, Mixed Media Winged Milagros Hearts! The latin folk symbol of the Milagros heart will be created by the children using an assortment of mixed media materials, and finished off with a pair of wings!



## Week 5 July 13-17

### AM Session: Tales From the Deep

#### Jessie Carter's Class

In this week we will use our amazing imaginations to explore the amazing ocean depths! Campers will create their own model "Ocean Explorers" and learn about real life submersibles and the brave explores who pilot them.



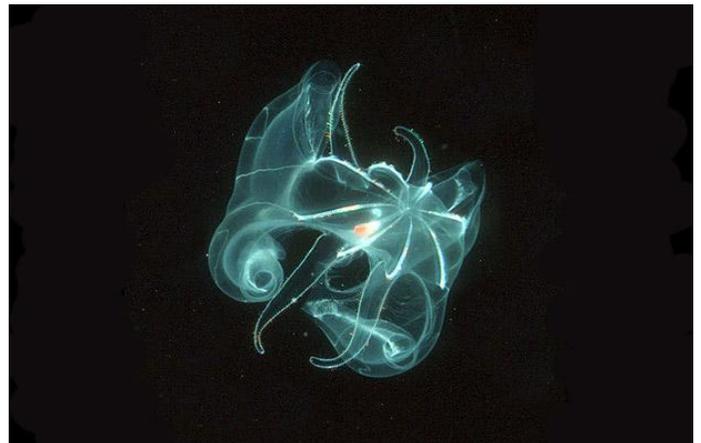
#### April Felipe's Class

"The colors were deep purple and blue and as the campers peered into the water they saw two shiny lights getting closer. The lights stopped, and then they blinked." Campers will work on a group narrative, creating ceramic objects and a small book based on the story.



#### Jessica Held's Class

This week in Miss Jessica's class, we will make our own "tales from the Deep" in class. Then we will make the creatures from our stories with paper and found objects. We will race our creatures from the deep with our creature paper climbers.



## Week 5 July 13-17

### PM Session: Sky Legends



#### Anita Wasko's Class

Our week is built around storytelling of Creation Myth of Native American peoples. They all take place in the sky! In the meantime, while we are inspired by stories and songs of the skies, each student will create and decorate their own Sky Totem.

#### April Felipe's Class

Campers will create art projects based on legends from Native American cultures and some borrowed from pop culture. The skies the limit!



#### Cindy Poland's Class



This week in Cindy's Class, it's all about the stories in the skies: Constellations! We'll make an indoor "sky dome" to bring the shapes to life and create our own constellations and related stories.

## Week 6 July 20-24

### AM Session: The World Below Our Feet



#### Jessie Carter's Class

In Miss Jessie's class this week, campers will learn to look at what lies below us. We'll take some time to get down and dirty as we use magnifying glasses to really look at the earth beneath us. We will have conversations about the things that live below both real and fantastic and make some art that show cases these amazing places.

#### Jessica Held's Class

We are gonna get down and dirty in Miss Jessica's this week cause it's all about bugs! Specifically, our hiding Locust layabouts. To prepare for next year, we will learn about the 17 year cicadas and make a cicada mobile made with ceramic, shrinky dinks and beads.



#### Karly Strukamp's Class



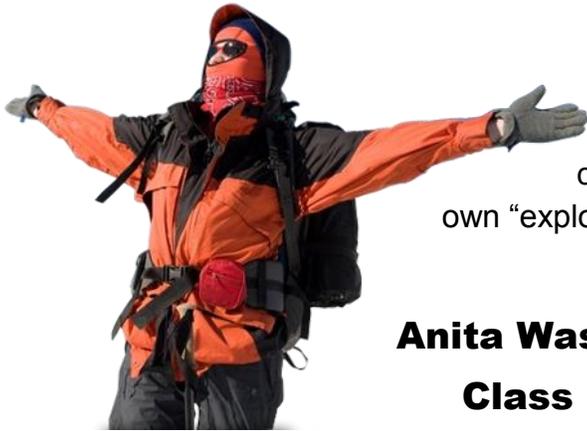
Campers will study the many jobs of insects, insect anatomy, and the importance of insects. Students will use their knowledge of insects and their creativity to create their own insect along with an image and description.

Campers will explore the FBI: Fungus, Bacteria, and Insects. In the outside space surrounding The Dairy Barn, students will use tools such as magnifying glasses and shovels to study fungus, bacteria, and insect life they see. They will attempt to get in the mind of the FBI to create a 'Bugs Life' comic.

Campers will do basic water and soil quality testing surrounding The Dairy Barn, and will create water and soil stewardship posters.

# Week 6 July 20-24

## PM Session: Tall Tall Mountains



### Jessie Carter's Class

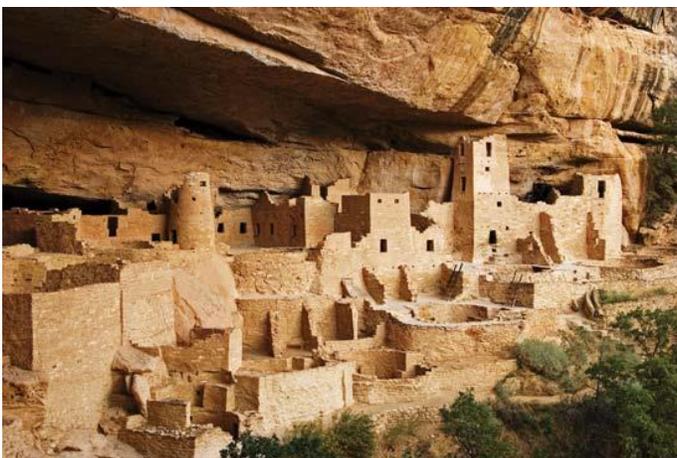
With the bravery of Hillary and Norgay, Campers will dive into the unknown as deep as their creativity can take them. Campers will make their own "exploration equipment and suits" to play with for their "climbs".

### Anita Wasko's Class

This theme will take the campers outside, away from the square classrooms. You will find us on the green fields of the Dairy Barn, making homes for fairies. We will work with the earth, trees, flowers, sticks and everything that inspires life. I will also be enticing the campers with stories of old lore and myth to give life to our own fairy community, just outside the Barn.



### Karly Strukamp's Class



Campers will participate in altitudinal zoning studies of mountains. They will learn about the natural layering of ecosystems that occur at distinct altitudes. This information will be used to design mountain ecosystem projects. Campers will study the Andes People in Peru and the Native Americans in Arizona who have built their communities in mountainsides. Students will imagine their own mountainside community while bringing them to life using recycled materials.

## Week 7 August 3-7

### AM Session: Fantastically Fabulous Fibers

#### April Felipe's Class

Pom -pom creatures, Straw looms, and lots of Wool creations. Campers will see a variety of possibilities that happen when a few tiny strands come together.



#### Jamie Betit

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#### Nancy Epling

Golly we have a busy week ahead of us in Miss Nancy's room this week! First up, we'll take a page from week two's book as we use some recycled objects to make some brand new art with "Memory Pillows": Campers will bring in (or be provided with) 2 old t-shirts to class and create their own

homemade recycled pillows. Next up, "My Plate of Food" Each camper will create their perfect meal using fabric to create a delicious collage. We'll finish up the week with some super fun "Hand Puppet Monsters". Campers will create whimsical monsters and wacky creatures by using found objects and repurposed lone gloves.



## Week 7 August 3-7

# PM Session: A Visual Feast: The Art of Food

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### April Felipe's Class

Potters are on the ever quest to create works that showcase food at its best. Campers will create a special place setting designed for their favorite food.



### Emily Beveridge's Class



In Emily's class we are sure to be busy with these projects!

**My Favorite Foods Decorated Dishware**  
Plain white ceramic dishware plates will be adorned with ink drawings of the children's favorite foods, and baked on in a kiln to make a permanent design to be used at meal time.

#### Nasty Burgers

In this weird and wonderful project, kids will create giant mixed media sandwiches that have "nasty" food combinations from their imagination between two buns!

## **Week 8 August 10-14**

### **AM Session: The World We Build:**

#### **Manmade Stuff**

##### **Anita Wasko's Class**

We're making pinhole cameras!  
The art of photography is 200 years old and it has changed tremendously since its beginnings. We are going to make the most basic little man-made camera, and with Miss Anita's help, actually develop our images by hand. We'll make art!



##### **Karly Strukamp's Class**

The Future of Farming: Campers will create a blueprint for a practical permaculture garden space. Permaculture is a branch of ecological design that focuses on sustainable agriculture. Campers will learn about renewable and nonrenewable energy sources and make a 6 panel informational booklet covering what they learn.

##### **Jamie Betit**

The benefits of exercise cannot be disputed. Everyone is aware of the positive impact exercise has on the cardiovascular system, the pulmonary system, increase in bone density and muscular strength. How many people know that exercise increases the capability for learning and creative flow. Exercise promotes the growth of new nerve cells and synapses through elevating levels of neurotrophones and increasing oxygen the blood, which helps provide mental energy! In Jamie's Class, we are going get physical with some manmade props!

## Week 8 August 10-14

### PM Session: Nature's Weirdos

#### **Karly Strukamp's Class**

Campers will study exotic animals of Costa Rica, a lush, ecological goldmine. They will each make a mini habitat drawing/painting displaying their knowledge of one of the animals.



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#### **Nancy Epling**



**Crazy Creatures:** Campers will learn about the strangest and most unusual creatures that inhabit our natural world and respond by creating their own magnificent creature with found objects.