

SUMMER ART STUDIO

NEWSLETTER

WEEK ONE: June 17 – June 21

The end of the first week! This has been a great kick off to the camp season. It has been a week full of fun art projects for our campers. We also celebrated our first theme day of camp: HIGH SEAS ADVENTURE! We would love to see your child return and continue to further their artistic talent!

Junior Division

Week 2: Drawing, 3-Dimensional, Jewelry
Week 3: Multi-Media, Ceramics, Storybook Illustration
Week 4: 3-Dimensional, Printmaking, Cartooning
Week 5: Painting, Comics, Sculpture
Week 6: Collage, Ceramics, Fibers
Week 7: Multi-Media, 3-Dimensional, Photo
Week 8: Jewelry, Ceramics, Illustration

Senior Division

Week 2: Wheel Throwing, Comics, Collage
Week 3: Anatomy, Fibers, Art in Nature
Week 4: Ceramics, Acrylic, 3-Dimensional
Week 5: Wheel Throwing, Sketchbook, Printmaking
Week 6: Watercolor, Photography, Portrait Drawing
Week 7: Ceramics, Jewelry, Bookmaking
Week 8: Illustration, Sculpture, Exploring 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, 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 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

Painting: This week in Ms. Bailey's class, campers got to explore their extraterrestrial ideation by creating their own alien portraits. We took a deeper dive into conveying texture, including a background, and exercised our creative storytelling.

Avi L: painted an alien named ZQfmb who can make things float, but loves being underground.

Bibi W: made a foxlien who shape shifts and lives on the moon.

Dylan R: named her alien Kate, who is a kitty alien that loves to play!

Elsie B: painted Buddy, a dog alien who can fly and used his water powers to cool down Mars to make a home for himself.

Grace T: created Lilly, the alien who escaped a mean zoo keeper destined to put a spell on her!

Liat W: was inspired by Toy Story and painted her puppy alien in a claw machine!

Lydia Z: concocted a flying 15-eyed kitty alien who speaks her own language... "meow faoeilqq meowagrrriigen."

Malak E: designed a family of Earth-munching aliens emerging from a black hole.

Noland K: made IIIIOO, the one-eyed alien who opens portals to call other aliens.

Penny D: painted an alien with glasses who ruined a peaceful day by making asteroids!

Ceramics: This week in Mr. Tom's class, our junior campers dove deep into the clay material to pull out animal sculptures! The campers learned how to create sculptures utilizing classic hand building techniques. Through the multiple stages of the ceramic process, junior campers learned how to build pinch pots, the coil building method, the score and slip method, and how to do detailing using sculpting tools. The entire zoo of exotic creatures stampeded their way out of the kiln! The campers were introduced to fun glazing techniques and the amazing firing process to create beautiful and unique sculptures using the magic of clay as their medium.

Jude M-G: sculpted from his imagination this week creating a funky figurine depicting a long dog wrapping its whole body around a model of earth.

Matthias M-G:'s interest in science, dinosaur facts, and art came to a peak in the studio this week as he created a replica of a prehistoric sea predator with radiating teeth jaws known as an 'anomalocaris'.

Brynn B: practiced her clay detailing skills to create a spin on a classic Pokémon. Captain Pikachu is the name and he's sculpted sitting and ready to enjoy a big bowl of ketchup.

Ava J: began with a sketch of her idea for a baby unicorn she worked to get a feel for the new clay material. She even made sure to add the horn!

Izzy M: designed and constructed a fire queen, a castle home, a cup and two bowls for her character's dwelling. All of which were done using her hands and her dedication to get them just how she imagined them.

Riley F: was inspired by one of her favorite rainbow plush bunnies which she brought to the studio to observe. Riley learned all about creating traditional pinched vessels.

Anna B: was inspired by her pet snake and created a clay coil sculpt model of a 'banana ball python.'

Nathalie K: committed to a highly detailed design of a unicorn cup. Natalie used new techniques she learned in the studio such as the score and slip.

Olivia O: used image references to create an 'Arctic Fox' out of clay. Olivia reimagined the orientation to create the body of the fox.

Aria P: learned how to make a pinch pot and sought to apply her new skills to create a ceramic dog sculpture.

Mila S: caught up by creating a beautiful ceramic bird and put her skills to use while she sculpted it to life.

Fibers: This week in Ms. Sofia's class, campers learned to crochet! We started off with finger weaving so that the campers could familiarize themselves with the movement and mechanics of crochet. The goal was to refine their fine motor skills, get them comfortable with the basics, and set them up to have the confidence to jump into a more complex process! After becoming finger weaving pros, they moved on to crocheting.

Aston M: was always very polite and focused. He put so much determination and effort into his work, he should be very proud of his effort! I'm very thankful for his attentiveness and positive spirit!

Grace J: brought a bright, positive energy every day. She paid great attention to instruction, and was a fast learner as a result! She asked good questions and did beautiful work. Amazing job!

Hailey R: was such a wonderful presence in the studio! Not only was she attentive and focused with her work, she even went out of her way to help a fellow camper learn a lesson they missed! Thank you so much, Hailey!

Mila J: was super respectful through the whole week, and was considerate of her fellow campers. She even made art for people in her family, using their favorite colors. Awesome job, Mila!

Noa S: was very responsible, and generous. She brought a calm and peaceful energy to the studio, and even helped her fellow campers clean up. I'm thankful to have had her in the studio!

Reese R: is very supportive of her fellow campers! She helped explain camp traditions to new campers, and was a bright and enthusiastic part of the camp.

Samantha J: was a Parrot winner this week and really demonstrated the qualities of responsibility and teamwork. She cleaned up messes that weren't hers and was very excited to come to the studio every day.

Denym B: was another Parrot winner this week. She is incredibly attentive and responsible and was kind to everyone in the camp and to all the staff. We really appreciate her energy and spirit!

Madeline O: was so sweet and kind! She was very eager to learn and I loved her enthusiasm for the work and for the camp experience. She made some beautiful art and was inclusive with her fellow campers. Thanks, Madeline!



SENIOR DIVISION

3-Dimensional: This week in Mr. Thomas's Class, campers learned simple techniques for prototyping 3D shapes in wire form. The "Wire form Insect" project invited campers to choose an insect (or similar small animal) and create its likeness out of aluminum wire.

Ella E: invested her time and focus very well this week. She looked for ways to make her project more complicated and detailed in every place. She was particularly concerned with proper anatomy, and wasn't shy to embrace the challenges that came with that.

Evelyn C: found ways to creatively adapt the core parts of this project for her own expression. Choosing to make a bunny instead of an insect - which was welcomed - came with some stylistic challenges that Evelyn happily overcame in wire form.

Khloe H: was very attentive and polite, and navigated camp with a genuine sense of curiosity and gratitude. She was very likable and was a good advocate and support for her sister and fellow campers.

Laila A: we were very glad to have Laila back for another summer. Her continuous enthusiasm about the project was infectious, and it was a joy to see her creativity come into its own as the week progressed.

Lois B: did an excellent job of making friends, being sociable, and helping her fellow campers throughout this difficult project. We really appreciated her patience and willingness to try new techniques.

Lyla O: impressed us with her ambition. She was naturally comfortable working in large scale, a skill that many campers must work up to. However, Lyla saw the Wireform Insect project as an opportunity to try something new and went all-out.

Maya H: was an outstanding camper. She exuded a sense of real curiosity and excitement about every aspect of the camp day. In class, she overcame challenges with a smile.

Nova T:'s kindness towards her fellow campers was palpable. We were very impressed with her eagerness to lend a hand to her peers and the staff.

Sadie K: spent her time at Summer Art Studio focused on making camp more fun for those around her. She was very attentive to the experience of her fellow campers, and went out of her way to make our time in the studio more inviting and fun.

Serena W: was an excellent camper. She navigated camp with a genuine interest in her peers. When Serena asked them about their day or how they were feeling - she really meant it. She was overwhelmingly kind to both her fellow campers and to staff.

Product Design: This week in Mr. A's class, we learned the fundamentals of product design through robots! Campers challenged their design thinking abilities by designing a robot that solves a specific problem, ranging from minor daily tasks like chores to larger-scale issues like climate change. We looked at critical design theorems such as form follows function, visual language, and then began creating mind maps to work out our problem and solutions, jumped into the iteration process, and learned critiquing.

Abby V: utilized form follows function within her design and ended up with a fantastic drone delivery robot! Awesome work, Abby!

Abreyana W-R: brought loads of personality and character to her awesome clothing-printing robot design. Fascinating designs, Abreyana!

Amari P-W: created an awesome reminder-bot, which was full of expression and charm! Lovely work, Amari!

Amelia W: carefully considered form language in her approach to design, which allowed her to create a beautiful final presentation piece! Marvelous work, Amelia!

Austen B: took a product-focused approach to her robot with her fascinating ideas on portable, wearable robots. Wonderful designs, Austen!

Ava B: designed a speedy delivery robot, which embraces the natural form language of velociraptors! Excellent work, Ava!

Kaitlin M: learned a lot about the importance of iteration through her robot form explorations, the variety of which led to an incredible final design. Amazing stuff, Kaitlin!

Lily W: dove deep into the mind-mapping process, working out the intricacies of her robot, which benefited her design. Remarkable work, Lily!

Lucy D: created an exceptional final robot design, drawing from form follows function and varied ideation. Wonderful work, Lucy!

Neta A: embraced the use of form language within her design, drawing from unique sources of inspiration ranging from jack-in-the-boxes to elephants. Awesome stuff, Neta!

Figure Drawing: This week in Ms. Cara's class, campers dove into the world of human form and how to render its anatomical complexities on paper. Students first experimented with gesture drawing on newsprint before creating focused studies of a figure from reference. The grand finale of this workshop resulted in figure drawings where students had the liberty of constructing their unique composition and choosing the artistic medium.

Addie E: chose to draw a poised ballerina sitting softly in solitude.

Alma T: confidently gestured models that posed in dramatic light.

Ava D: drew strong flowing lines in charcoal that captured figurative movement with ease.

Cailin T: chose to draw a fantasy character with a strong and sturdy stance.

Chase W: created several loose sketches of dancers while developing a unique style.

Elliot G: showed quick improvement with gesturing fighting poses with bold strokes.

Katelyn J: brought electric energy to the classroom as she chose a fantasy figure that wielded lighting bolts to defend and protect her teammates.

Michael R: created a brave and energetic composition with a strong and stable warrior and his handy spear.

Sean D: evoked a mood of strength within his fantastical drawings of swordsmen.



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**.

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 8-12 or August 5-9), 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 and aprons are \$15 each. 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.

