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Unleash Creativity this Summer at Mesa Arts Center Youth and Teen Art Camps on Sale March 4



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Mesa, AZ — Are you looking for fun and creative summer art activities for your kids? **Youth and Teen Summer Camps at Mesa Arts Center go on sale Tuesday, March 4 at 12 p.m.** Each week brings a new artistic adventure, including blacksmithing, ceramics, jewelry, storytelling, printmaking and more!

Thanks to generous funding from the Nancy Wolter Scholarship Fund, Mesa Arts Center is proud to offer full scholarships for summer youth camps. Families may qualify if they meet 200% of the federal poverty guidelines, live in a HUD housing system, have a child attending a Title I school or receiving free or reduced lunch, or if the child is in

foster care or social services. Learn more and apply online at mesaartscenter.com/youthclassinfo.

Summer camp schedule:

Blacksmithing Pendant Workshop

May 27–30 | Tue, Wed, Thu and Fri | 9 a.m.–12 p.m. (4 days)

Ages 14–18

This class involves designing pendants, basic blacksmithing skills and light forging. By the end of the camp, students will have a grasp of basic blacksmithing techniques and confidence with a hammer.

Get Twisted with Borosilicate

May 27–30 | Tue, Wed, Thu and Fri | 11 a.m.–2 p.m. (4 days)

Ages 13+

Students will learn how to use the dot twist technique to create interesting twists and galaxy marbles, and how to create teardrop and heart pendants.

Comic Creations Camp

June 2–5 | Mon–Thu | 9 a.m.–12 p.m. (4 days)

Ages 10–12

In this class students will design their own comics and characters. Students will learn how to lay out comic panels and speech bubbles, make backstories for their characters, and print duplicates of their comic books to share with others.

Kids Handbuilding: Chef Mud Masters!

June 3–13 | Tue, Wed, Thu and Fri | 9–11 a.m. (8 days)

Ages 6–9

Calling all chefs! In this class students will use beginning handbuilding techniques and inspiration from our favorite foods to make fruit-themed shakers, animal utensil holders, mugs, bowls, dishes and more. Students will also learn how to paint with food-safe glazes so projects can be used in the kitchen at home. Bring creativity and get ready to play with clay!

Teen Beginning Jewelry

June 4–July 16 | Wed | 10 a.m.–12 p.m. (7 weeks)

Ages 13+

Students will learn the basic skills and safety of metalsmithing by experimenting and exploring creative designs to make metal jewelry. Techniques covered will include sawing, soldering, torch fired enameling, polishing and finishing.

The Time Travelers Radio Play Project

June 9–13 | Mon–Fri | 9 a.m.–12 p.m. (1 week)

Ages 8–12

Take a blast into the past and get on the mic with the Time Travelers Radio Project! Before there was television, families would gather around the radio and listen to their favorite shows a lot like how we listen to podcasts now. Performance and podcasting meet in this fun, interactive camp where students become storytellers and use their imaginations to create an old-time radio drama show. Students will experiment with

creating vintage sound effects in a live Foley Sound lab, learn acting/stage skills and how to write their very own stories for podcast/audio recording. On the final day of the class, friends and family are invited to see a live recording of the students' radio play performance.

Clay Monster Madness!

June 17–27 | Tue, Wed, Thu and Fri | 9–11 a.m. (8 days)

Ages 9–12

Welcome all wild things! In this camp students will use beginner handbuilding techniques to sculpt their favorite monsters and animals. Students will learn how to make a monster mask, creature pinch pots, trinket holders, sleeping dragons and other functional and decorative forms. Finally, students will use food-safe glazes to paint our critters. Bring your creativity and get ready to play with clay.

All materials are provided. Schedule details, cost and registration available at mesaartscenter.com/youthcamps.

About Mesa Arts Center

Mesa Arts Center, owned and operated by the City of Mesa, is a unique, architecturally stunning facility located in the heart of downtown Mesa. Arizona's largest arts center is home to four theaters, five art galleries and 14 art studios. Guests, patrons and students come to Mesa Arts Center to enjoy the finest live entertainment and performances, world-class visual art exhibitions and outstanding arts education classes. Mesa Arts Center's mission is to inspire people through engaging arts experiences that are diverse, accessible and relevant. For more information, visit mesaartscenter.com.

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