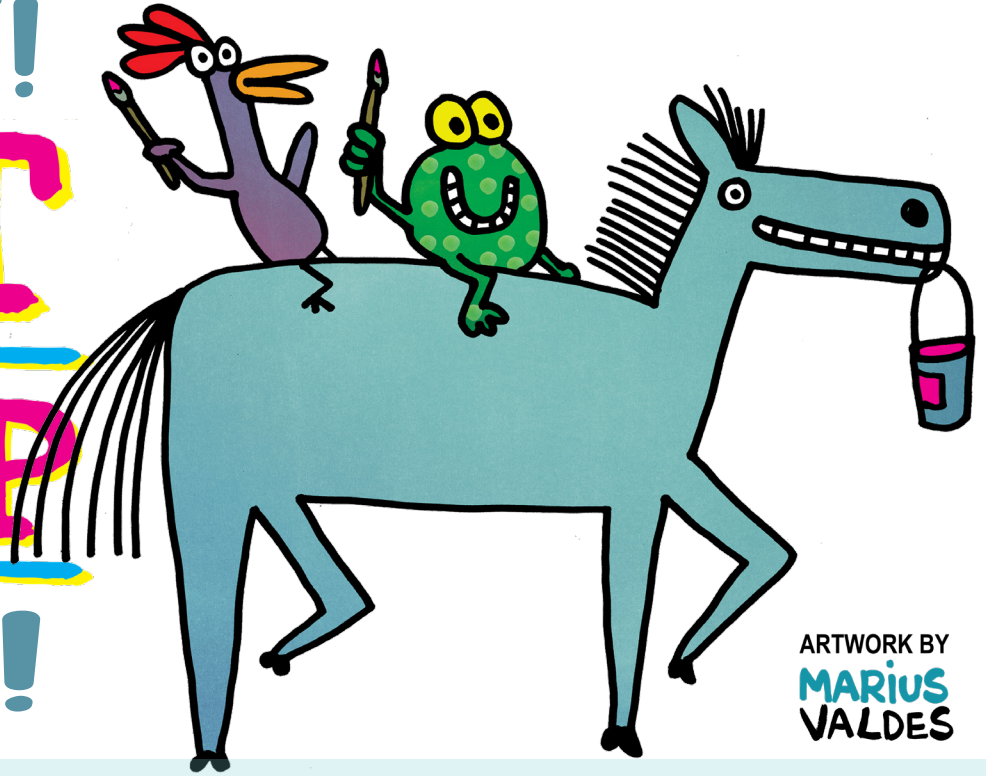


# SCHOOL IS OUT! ART CAMP IS IN!



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# HAPPENINGS

Anytime



## Horse Around Aiken Treasure Hunt

**No cost - stop by to get your map**

In 2004, Aiken Center for the Arts asked local artists to create 32 horses for a project entitled Horseplay. These horses were auctioned off and the money raised supported the completion of our second floor classrooms as well as 20 years of scholarships.

Join us as we continue to celebrate horseplay through the nine original horses, created by local artists and situated in historic sites throughout downtown Aiken. Your amazing treasure hunt begins and ends at Aiken Center for the Arts at 122 Laurens St. SW.

May

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**Exhibition Opening - May 9, 6:00-8:00pm**

**Exhibition runs May 9 - Jun 13**

Main Gallery | **Aiken Artist Guild Annual Member Show**

The highlight of the AAG year is the Member Show here at Aiken Center for the Arts which invites each member to submit two works, which are eligible for awards and available for sale. Come see the wealth of talent in our community!

Brooks Gallery {upstairs} | **Jefferson Elementary**

Jefferson Elementary will showcase the face mugs from 4th grade's Artist in Residence Program with Aiken Center for the Arts

"Of Lasting Value" Best in Show 2023 by Lisa Anne Tindal

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## Aiken Youth Orchestra, Ensemble and Group Strings Concert, and Creativity Out Loud Performance

**Monday, May 20, 6pm**

**Amentum Theatre, 126 Newberry St, Free**

This performance marks a special milestone in our music program. Over the past year and a half individuals age 5 to adult have embarked on the journey of learning a string instrument. Enrollment in this program has tripled and moving our Spring performance to Amentum Theatre gives all the students a chance to share what they have learned. Young voices in our Creativity Out Loud program will also be performing on this special evening.

**Broadcast Premiere & Panel Discussion**  
**Thursday, May 23, 6-7pm, Brown Pavilion, No cost**

SCETV, the ETV Endowment and the Aiken Center for the Arts invite you to celebrate the upcoming broadcast premiere of **Season Two of *After Action***, a timely and important series filmed right here in South Carolina by SCETV and broadcast on PBS stations nationwide. *After Action* unpacks the veteran experience as our service men and women re-enter civilian life. We'll gather at ACA to watch a producer's cut of a new episode, "Art and Healing." After, we'll meet series host Stacy Pearsall and panelists, moderated by South Carolina Public Radio's "Morning Edition" host Thelisha Eaddy, for a frank and lively discussion with an opportunity for Q&A. Join us to honor and acknowledge the unfiltered - and often untold - stories of our military personnel with this very special platform for vital dialogue about the unique issues they face. Music by Guitars for Vets. Hors d'oeuvres by Blue Collard.



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**ABOUT AFTER ACTION** Season Two: Hosted by Air Force combat veteran Stacy Pearsall, *After Action's* new season showcases the experiences of 21 diverse veterans from across the country and their candid conversations about what life is like before, during and after action. Season Two explores topics like military parenting challenges, faith, toxic exposure and LGBTQ+ service issues. As *After Action* seeks to demystify the military experience, this new season continues to provide a platform for dialogue among family members and amplifies the voices of those who serve. By preserving these deeply personal military stories, *After Action* builds a bridge of understanding between civilians and our service members and veterans.

**ABOUT GUITARS FOR VETS** Over the past twelve years, our organization has refined a guitar instruction program aimed at providing Veterans struggling with physical injuries, PTSD, and other emotional distress a unique therapeutic alternative. G4V pursues its mission to share the healing power of music by providing free guitar instruction, a new acoustic guitar and a guitar accessory kit in a structured program run by volunteers, primarily through the Department of Veterans Affairs facilities and community-based medical centers.

# HAPPENINGS

June

## CALL FOR ENTRIES DEADLINE JUNE 7

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**Exhibition Opening - June 20, 6:00-8:00pm**

**Exhibition runs June 20 - July 25**

Main Gallery | **Summer Art Camp and Student / Member Show**

AAG Gallery | **Lisa Anne Tindal, June Klement, Chilly Waters**

**Summer Art Camp and Student / Member Show**

This exhibition showcases the broad range of artists found at the art center. Open to 2023-24 students and members of Aiken Center for the Arts. Art drop off: June 3-7 from 10am-4pm.

Visit [aikencentcenterforthearts.org](http://aikencentcenterforthearts.org) for application & rules.

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**SCAC Canvass of the People - Rural Arts Community Forum**

**Tuesday, June 25, 5:30-7:00pm, Main Gallery**

Help shape the direction of South Carolina's vibrant arts and culture community. The South Carolina Arts Commission invites you to take part in their planning process as they update their strategic plan. Six in-person focus groups will take place around South Carolina from April - August. Tuesday, June 25 is the date for the Aiken community. This session will be facilitated by SC Arts Commission staff. See back page for more information.

**Exhibition Opening - August 1, 6:00-8:00pm, xhibition runs August 1 - September 5**

Main Gallery | **Sunny Mullarkey McGowan, Bailey Mennetti**

Aiken Artist Guild Gallery | **Sharon Taylor Padgett, Patricia Vincent Sharp**

Brooks Gallery | **Joy in the Journey** Artwork from area Alzheimer and Dementia residents that have participated in our Joy in the Journey program.

August

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Sunny Mullarkey McGowan



**Sunny Mullarkey McGowan** is a fine artist residing in Greenville, South Carolina. In addition to creating her fine art pieces in her studio located in the arts district of West Greenville, she also paints murals and signage, as well as teaches printmaking in her studio. Sunny is also a Teaching Artist with SmartArts, an arts integrated education program with the Greenville County School District.

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Bailey Mennetti



**Bailey Mennetti** is a graphite artist who creates realistic imagery and brings her imagination to the paper. She has a way with manipulating the pencil to create beautiful detail within each drawing. Her main emphasis is graphite on paper. Bailey is a Savannah College of Art and Design graduate, born and raised in South Carolina, currently living in Denver, Colorado.

**Artist Talk with Bailey Mennetti, Friday, August 2 at 1pm, Main Gallery, no cost, please RSVP**

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Marius Valdes

**Arts Alive Open House, August 24 from 11:00am-2:00pm**

You are invited to our open house celebrating youth through the arts and through local community organizations.

LIVE MUSIC • PERFORMANCES • FACE PAINTING • CRAFTS

BALLOON ANIMALS • ARTIST DEMOS AND MORE!

**No cost! Everyone Welcome**

# SUMMER 2024



Robert Campbell

**Aiken Center for the Arts**  
offers  
workshops and classes  
June through August  
on the posted dates.

Register at  
Aiken Center for the Arts  
or online at  
[aikencentreforthearts.org](http://aikencentreforthearts.org)

# MUSIC LESSONS

## Guitar

**John Phillips**  
Learn how to play the guitar with weekly 30 minute lessons. All skill levels welcome. The instructor recommends that elementary aged students have a parent attend class with their student; parents are welcome to learn alongside their child. Bring your own guitar. No member discount on this class. Call to schedule lesson time.



Mondays 30 min

19732 Jun 4wks	\$128/mo
19733 Jul 4wks *	\$128/mo
19734 Aug 4wks	\$128/mo

\*No class on July 1

# OIL

## Horse Portraits in Oils

**Robert Campbell**

This five week course in oils will allow students to leave with a finished horse portrait. Please bring horse photos for reference. Students will learn equine structure, proportions, and facial planes. Learn the subtleties that create personality and expression. Experience in-depth demonstrations, practice studies and one-on-one consultation. All skill levels encouraged. Supply list available at the front desk / online.

Thursdays, 2:00-4:00pm .....\$ 8 0  
Begins Aug 1 runs 5 wks 19753

## Oils with Jim Marquis

**Jim Marquis**

This ongoing class is for anyone interested in oils. Learn the techniques that will help you develop your own style. We will explore color, composition, depth and harmony, among other topics. Beginner to Advanced. Student provides supplies for their projects. Supply list for beginners available at the front desk or online. \*No class on July 4

Thursdays, 10:00am -12:30pm  
June (meets 4 x) 19750 .....\$ 2 0 0  
July (meets 3 x)\* 19751 .....\$ 1 5 0  
Aug (meets 5 x) 19752 .....\$ 2 5 0

# PHOTOGRAPHY

## Intro to Digital Photography

**Patrick Krohn**

New to digital photography or getting reacquainted with it? Get off of Auto Mode and create stunning photographs with your digital camera. This class is for DSLR and digital point & shoot cameras that have a manual setting. (Not for phone camera). Topics in this hands-on class include exposure, depth of field, lighting, lenses and more. What to bring: Camera, Lens, Camera Bag. Optional: Tripod/ Monopod, Laptop, Card Reader. Bring a lunch. (30 min break)

Saturday, Aug 10 & 17 .....\$ 1 0 0  
10:00am-1:00pm 19754

## Photography Private Lessons

**Patrick Krohn**

Personalized instruction based on the student's needs. No membership discount on private lessons.

Call to schedule .....\$ 7 0  
2 hours 19769

# STUDIO

## Open Studio

**Dorothy Johnson**

Dedicated studio time & space for students to work on oil, acrylic, pastel, watercolor, and colored pencil projects of their own choice. An instructor is on hand for assistance, but there is no prepared lesson. Student provides supplies for their projects. All skill levels welcome.

Mondays, 10:30am -12:30pm  
June (meets 4 x) 19742 .....\$ 4 0  
July (meets 5 x) 19743 .....\$ 5 0  
Aug (meets 4 x) 19744 .....\$ 4 0

# POTTERY

## Pottery Wheel

**John Gordon**

For the beginning student or those wanting to continue to improve their skills. Learn basics: preparing clay, centering, throwing forms, trimming, handles, etc. All materials & tools included. Level: All.

Wednesdays, 10:00am-12:00pm ...\$ 1 4 0  
Begins July 31, runs 5 wks 19745  
Wednesdays, 2:00-4:00pm .....\$ 1 4 0  
Begins July 31, runs 5 wks 19746

# EXPERIMENTAL ART



## Summer Art Camp for Adults!

**Marissa Evans & Don Mosser**

Join us for Summer Art Camp FOR ADULTS to get your creative juices flowing. It will be a multi-media experience that will include acrylic, textiles, watercolor, printmaking and more! No experience necessary. Bring a lunch. (30 min break)

Monday - Friday, July 22 - 26 .....\$ 200  
10:00am - 3:00pm 19749

# WATERCOLOR

## Beginning Watercolors

**Nanette Langner**

Beginning and intermediate level students explore the techniques and skills used to paint with watercolors. Supplies included. \*If you attended this class before and would like to come, there will be different pictures to paint. Bring a lunch. (30 min break)

**Saturday, June 29** ..... \$ 7 0  
 10:00am-4:00pm 19735

## Watercolor Special Topics

**Nanette Langner**

These classes are designed to continue watercolor education. Each three week course is different and independent from each other. This summer, we will explore themes focused on different colors. In each three week course you will create three 5 x 7 paintings. Supplies included.

**Purples**

**Wednesdays, July 24,31, Aug 7** ..... \$ 7 0  
 10:00am-12:00pm 19736

**Textures**

**Tuesdays, Aug 13, 20, 27** ..... \$ 7 0  
 10:00am-12:00pm 19737

**Blues**

**Wednesdays, Aug 14, 21,28** ..... \$ 7 0  
 10:00am-12:00pm 19739

## Flowers and Herbs

**Judy Adamick**

Flowers and herbs look good and taste good! Explore edible flowers and herbs while painting a floral arrangement and learning new techniques in your watercolor journey. Some recipes included! Beginners and intermediate. Supply list available at the front desk or online.

**Fridays, Aug 16,23,30** ..... \$ 8 0  
 10:00am-12:00pm 19740

# COLORED PENCIL

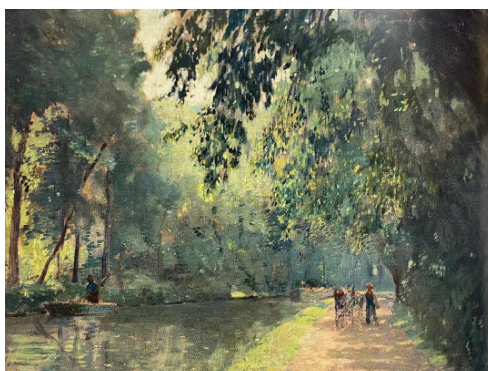
## Intro to Colored Pencil

**Nanette Langner**

An introduction to colored pencils for beginners. Learn blending techniques and how to layer colors while creating three drawings. No drawing experience required. A supply list is available at the ACA front desk or online. Skill level: All.

**Tuesdays, July 23,30,Aug 6** ..... \$ 7 0  
 10:00am-12:00pm 19741

# ACRYLIC



## Stream in the Woods

**Sharon Taylor Padgett**

A quiet winding stream meanders through a lovely, wooded setting hidden somewhere in Aiken County. Follow Sharon as she leads you step-by-step to create these hardwood trees, water and reflections in this peaceful vertical landscape.

**Saturday, August 10** ..... \$ 7 0  
 10:00am-1:00pm 19757

## Private Lessons

**Sharon Taylor Padgett**

Students can choose from a series of planned lessons (including a landscape, seascape, still life and photo-to-painting) or students can choose their own subject matter. All materials provided. Skill level: All. Call to schedule.

**Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays**

**Adults 2 hour session** \$60 19770  
**Youth 1 hour session** \$35 19771

## Along the Canal

**Sharon Taylor Padgett**

Paint this impressionistic, lovely scene of a waterway, sunlit trees along a sandy bank with children playing in the summertime. A fisherman slowly makes his way up the canal, waving as he passes. Follow Sharon step-by-step in creating this scene while learning simple painting techniques to create these effects.

**Saturday, June 29** ..... \$ 7 0  
 10:00am-1:00pm 19755



## Summer Skies

**Sharon Taylor Padgett**

A beautiful bright summer sky with colorful billowy clouds are the primary focus of this Lowcountry landscape. Learn to paint this scene with elements of clouds, sky, water, grass and distant palmetto trees.

**Saturday, July 20** ..... \$ 7 0  
 10:00am-1:00pm 19756



## Painted Floor Mats

**Nanette Langner**

Paint a scene/design of your choice on a 2ft x 3ft floor mat. Floor mats are painted in acrylic on heavy canvas and intended for indoor use. Instructor will contact students prior to class to decide on subject matter. After finishing your floor mat, the instructor will seal it with polyurethane.

**Friday and Saturday, Aug 16&17** . . . \$ 13 0  
 10:00am-3:00pm 19758

# PASTEL

## Pastel Painting: Floral

**Nanette Langner**

Introduction to working in soft pastels. Create a beautiful pastel picture while learning how to use soft pastels. Skill level: All. Bring a lunch. (30 min break)

**Saturday, July 13** ..... \$ 7 0  
 10:00am-3:00pm 19759

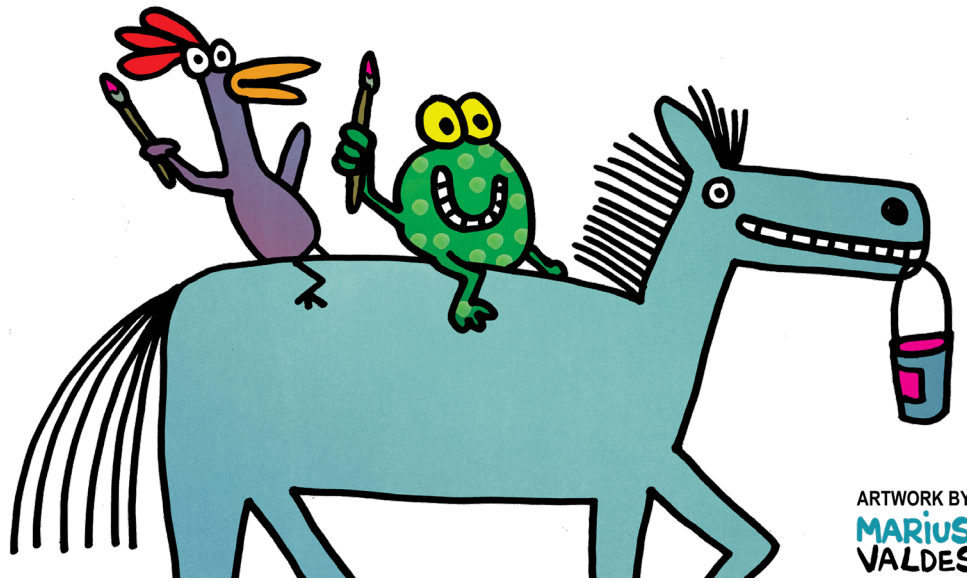
## Pastel Painting: Grapes

**Nanette Langner**

Introduction to working in soft pastels. Create a beautiful pastel picture while learning how to use soft pastels. Skill level: All. Bring a lunch. (30 min break)

**Saturday, Aug 3** ..... \$ 7 0  
 10:00am-3:00pm 19760

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## DISCOVERY ART CAMP AGES 5-7

Every day is an artistic adventure! Campers will create artwork inspired by people, far away places, animals and all the fun stuff in life. Children will experience drawing, watercolor, acrylic, pastels and 3-D art in a variety of individual and collaborative projects. Morning and Afternoon sessions have the same projects but each week offers new & different projects.

## ART CAMP AGES 8-10

Unleash that inner creativity! Campers will learn about masterpieces, famous artists, styles of art and how to find inspiration in everything! A variety of 2-D and 3-D projects offered. Individual and collaborative activities in many different mediums. Morning and Afternoon sessions have the same projects but each week offers new & different projects.

## ART STUDIOS AGES 11-14

Students will discover art through exploration of their favorite art mediums in a studio setting. Taught by artists working in their area of expertise, these studios allow participants to try different mediums throughout the year. Studio themes may include the following: Pottery, Comic/Anime, Sculpture, Watercolor Painting, Acrylic Painting, Textiles, & more!

## GUITAR CAMP AGES 8-12

This camp introduces students to the guitar through playing along with demonstrations, games and practice time. Learn in a small group with others. Camp is one hour a day, M-F. Bring your own guitar if you have one, others will be available if you don't have your own.

## THEATRE CAMP AGES 8-10

Theatre Camp is an exciting opportunity for students interested in building their acting skills, or even those looking to try something new. The week will include acting, theatre games, conquering stage fright, developing your character and rehearsing roles in a play. Walk over to Aiken Community Theatre for a backstage tour. Show off new skills with a live performance for parents on Friday.

## NIGHT SCHOOL AGES 15+

Hey high school students! Don't let Night School fun happen without you. Join us this summer for some great evening fun! Night School 2023 gives you the opportunity to learn how to use the Pottery Wheel!

## UKULELE CAMP AGES 8-12

Looking for a totally new experience this summer? Join Ukulele Camp for an exciting week filled with music! Students will receive their own ukulele and basic instruction to play this instrument. Join us Friday as we show off our new skills.

## SPECIAL NEEDS ART AND MUSIC CAMP AGES 5-13 / AGES 14-ADULT

Offered at no cost to participating families, these camps are designed for those with traumatic brain injuries, cerebral palsy, and/or other physical and developmental disabilities. Camps are designed to allow these individuals to have a successful, joyful art experience by providing an opportunity to participate in both visual arts and musical activities at their own level. Our curriculum is designed with multi-disciplinary content that optimizes each student's language, attention, memory, executive function and motor control functions. See back page for more details.

## SUMMER STRINGS ALL AGES

Open to string musicians with at least one-year experience on their instruments. Meets on Mondays from 5-6pm for 8 weeks during the summer starting June 3 (skips July 1,29). Scholarships available.

# SUMMER 2024

JUNE 3 - AUGUST 5

## SUMMER STRINGS ENSEMBLE

ALL AGES

Mondays, 5:00-6:00pm, \$100 #19694

JUNE 3-7

### SPECIAL NEEDS ART & MUSIC CAMP

Ages 5-13

10am-12pm, Free w/registration, details back pg

### SPECIAL NEEDS ART & MUSIC CAMP

Ages 14-adult

1pm-3pm, Free w/registration, details back pg

JUNE 10-14

### DISCOVERY ART CAMP

Ages 5-7

9am-12pm, \$175 #19673

### ART CAMP

Ages 8-10

9am-12pm, \$175 #19699

### ART STUDIO

Ages 11-14

9am-12pm, \$175 #19706

### DISCOVERY ART CAMP

Ages 5-7

1pm-4pm, \$175 #19674

### ART CAMP

Ages 8-10

1pm-4pm, \$175 #19700

### NIGHT SCHOOL

Ages 15+

Tues/Wed 5-8pm, \$90 #19710

JUNE 17-21

### DISCOVERY ART CAMP

Ages 5-7

9am-12pm, \$175 #19675

### ART CAMP

Ages 8-10

9am-12pm, \$175 #19701

### ART STUDIO

Ages 11-14

9am-12pm, \$175 #19707

### DISCOVERY ART CAMP

Ages 5-7

1pm-4pm, \$175 #19695

### ART CAMP

Ages 8-10

1pm-4pm, \$175 #19702

### UKULELE CAMP

Ages 8-12

1-2pm, \$135 #19711

JUNE 24-28

### DISCOVERY ART CAMP

Ages 5-7

9am-12pm, \$175 #19696

### ART CAMP

Ages 8-10

9am-12pm, \$175 #19703

### ART STUDIO

Ages 11-14

9am-12pm, \$175 #19708

JULY 8-12

### DISCOVERY ART CAMP

Ages 5-7

9am-12pm, \$175 #19697

### ART CAMP

Ages 8-10

9am-12pm, \$175 #19705

### ART STUDIO

Ages 11-14

9am-12pm, \$175 #19709

### DISCOVERY ART CAMP

Ages 5-7

1pm-4pm, \$175 #19698

### THEATRE CAMP

Ages 8-10

1pm-4pm, \$175 #19704

### GITAR CAMP

Ages 8-12

1-2pm, \$100 #19712

JULY 15-19

### SPECIAL NEEDS ART & MUSIC CAMP

Ages 14-adult

10am-12pm, Free w/registration, details back pg

### SPECIAL NEEDS ART & MUSIC CAMP

Ages 14-adult

1pm-3pm, Free w/registration, details back pg

# FALL 2024

OCTOBER 7-11

### DISCOVERY ART CAMP

Ages 5-7

9am-12pm, \$175 #19713

### ART CAMP

Ages 8-10

9am-12pm, \$175 #19715

# SPRING 2025

APRIL 7-11

### DISCOVERY ART CAMP

Ages 5-7

9am-12pm, \$175 #19714

### ART CAMP

Ages 8-10

9am-12pm, \$175 #19716

## BECOME A MEMBER AND RECEIVE 10% OFF ART CAMP

**DROP OFF & PICK UP:** Doors open 15 min prior to camp start. Parents/Guardians sign campers in and check campers out daily. When camp ends, campers will be brought down to the first floor. If you will be late, please let us know. **CLOTHING:** Please make sure your child wears clothing appropriate for art camp - we will get messy! **SNACKS:** Students should plan to pack a snack and a drink for our mid-morning / mid-afternoon break. Please make sure your child's name is clearly labeled. No soft drinks or peanut products please.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

The ACA Scholarship program is funded by generous donors from the CSRA community. Scholarships are awarded based on availability and to students who demonstrate financial need. Financial aid applicants must be on file two weeks before classes begin. To apply for a scholarship, please call 803-641-9094 to request an application, or visit our website at: aikencentertforthearts.org

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Early registration is recommended to secure a place in a class. We will gladly accept your registration up until class time IF we are able to accommodate you (space, materials, etc.). There is a 5% processing fee for each online registration.

### CANCELLATION

If you cancel your registration after it has been processed, but at least a week before the class begins, we will refund your class fee less \$10. If you cancel with less than one week notice, no refund will be given. ACA reserves the right to cancel classes with low enrollment. If we must cancel a class, we will issue a full refund.

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# SC CANVASS 2025 OF THE PEOPLE | Rural Arts Community Forums

The South Carolina Arts Commission invites you to take part in our planning process.

**Tuesday, June 24, 2024  
5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.**

Hosted by Aiken Center for the Arts  
**@ Aiken Center for the Arts  
122 Laurens St SW, Aiken SC 29801**

Please register in advance at  
[www.bit.ly/CanvassAiken](http://www.bit.ly/CanvassAiken)



## ART AND MUSIC CAMPS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

### Art and Music Camp

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**June 3-7**

Ages 5-13 . . . . . 10:00am-12:00pm

Ages 14-adult . . . . . 1:00-3:00pm

**July 15-19**

Ages 14-adult . . . . . 10:00am-12:00pm

Ages 14-adult . . . . . 1:00-3:00pm



### Lasting Impact

For the individuals involved in the program, the benefits include the opportunity for a success-oriented creative outlet, social interaction with peers, and the positive self-esteem that comes from having their work displayed at the Art Center. These opportunities lead to the development of soft skills like communication, being part of a team or group, learning to make a decision, adaptability, leadership, kindness, independence, taking directions, empathy, and others.

**Camps are free. Registration is required.**

Go to community tab at [aikencenterforthearts.org](http://aikencenterforthearts.org) to register. Call Tracy Seconi at 803-641-9094 with any questions.

