Visual Arts Centre Summer Programme for Youth and Teens



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Fine Arts Day Camp In-Person

Join us summer 2021 for another creative and inspiring artistic journey! Delve into a wide range of artistic techniques; learn new skills and experiment with a variety of materials. Each week will feature new and inspiring themes.

2020 was an exercise in getting comfortable with the unknown, from not knowing when we'd go back to work or school to not being sure when we'd be able to see our relatives again. Whether young or old, we are all facing new unknowns every day. Let's take this opportunity to explore potentially unknown strengths, joys, and interests. This is a chance to learn new things about ourselves and our communities, to grow as artists and people and to find the courage to take a leap without knowing just where you might land.

Our students are placed in small, bilingual groups, grouped according to their age. This ensures that each child receives individual attention and can be encouraged to advance at their own pace. Activities take place in our fully-equipped and air-conditioned studios as well as at Westmount Park, where outdoor games and physical activity complement the afternoon programme.

Daily Activities

8:15 to 9 am - Drop-Off

9 am to 12 pm - The morning session offers a creative workshop atmosphere in which to explore a variety of art forms that change each week. Some of the techniques and approaches we'll be exploring this summer are collage, print-making, bookmaking, sculpture, assemblage, and large-scale artmaking. Experimentation, creativity, and selfexpression are encouraged, as well as skill development and an understanding of basic artistic concepts.

12:00 to 12:30 pm - Lunch

12:30 to 4:00 pm - The afternoon session will include collaborative projects, art games, discovery learning and team-building activities. The emphasis will be on group projects and activities that encourage creativity and cooperation. Part of the afternoon will also include physical activities with trips to the park for organized and informal play.

4:00 to 5:00 pm - Children can be picked up at any time between 4 pm - 5 pm. Activities during this time will include: creating bracelets, drawing, beading, and other quiet games.

Registration starts March 8

Registration fees are for one week of day camp, students may be registered for multiple weeks. New projects are introduced each week. Visit our website for descriptions of weekly themes: visualartscentre.ca.

Registered children must turn 6 years old by September 30, 2021, at the latest. The day camp schedule and projects are not suitable for younger children. The Centre reserves the right to ask for proof of age.



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Week of	Fee
June 28*	\$230
July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 August 2 August 9 August 16	\$285

* Closed Friday July 2 (Canada Day)

Covid Protocols

To keep our community safe while in the VAC's building, there are a series of distancing and hygiene measures in place. A complete list will be provided before the session begins.

Camp Cancellation Policy

Registration must be paid in full ten days before your child attends. Cancellations (per child, per week) for the day camp: written notices received

- before May 1: \$20;
- up to May 31: \$30;
- after May 31: \$50.

Deadline for refunds: Monday noon, one week prior to the week you wish to cancel.

Youth Courses Online

Sunny Little Studio (4-5 years with parent or guardian)

Mon. 9:00 – 11:00 am (starts June 28)

Mon. 9:00 – 11:00 am (starts July 26)

Start the week off on the right foot by bringing some creativity and sunshine into your home with art projects that are bold and inspiring! Students will be introduced to a variety of techniques such as painting, collage, drawing, and mixed-media. This course will encourage students to be curious, courageous, and creative. A variety of activities such as storytelling, simple yoga, and play will keep the students engaged and attentive throughout.

\$95 + materials (4 wks)

For your convenience a box of materials necessary for the course is available for purchase at a cost of \$15. Simply mention your interest when registering and we will prepare your box of supplies to be picked up at the Centre by appointment only. No delivery available.



The Artistic Adventurer (6-8 years)

Tues. and Thurs. 9:00 - 11:00 am (starts June 29)

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This course allows students to explore a variety of fundamental art techniques such as drawing, painting, collage, sculpture and mixed media. Students will be kept engaged with some physical activity, animated storytelling and art games. This online summer workshop is all about imagination, creativity, and confidence through selfexpression. It's time for an adventure!

\$190 + materials (4 wks)

For your convenience a box of materials necessary for the course is available for purchase at a cost of \$30. Simply mention your interest when registering and we will prepare your box of supplies to be picked up at the Centre by appointment only. No delivery available.

Creative Mixed-Media (9-12 years)

Mon and Wed. 9:00- 11:00 am (starts June 28)

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Expand the boundaries of your creativity by spending two mornings a week getting creative. This course allows our students to sharpen their artistic skills and experiment with new techniques. The students will work on both 3D and 2D projects. They will be encouraged to develop their imaginations, creativity, unique personal style through exploration and discovery learning. Part of each session will be used for some physical activity such as yoga or group games.

\$190 + materials (4 wks)

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Teen Courses In-Person

Pottery & Sculpture (13-17 years)

Monday to Friday 10:30 am to 12:30 pm (Starts June 28)*

Monday to Friday 10:30 am to 12:30 pm (Starts July 12)

Monday to Friday 10:30 am to 12:30 pm (Starts July 26)

Monday to Friday 10:30 am to 12:30 pm (Starts August 9)

Unearth the richness of clay! Learn handbuilding, sculpture, or pottery on the wheel, as well as various glazing techniques. This beginner course will let students get acquainted with techniques such as pinched pots, coiling, slabbuilding, or hollowing. Students will be encouraged to develop their creativity and turn their ideas into reality.

\$220 + \$30 materials (2 wks)

*June 28 session: \$200 + \$30 materials (closed July 2 for Canada Day)

Jewellery Fundamentals for Teens (15-17 years)

Mon., Wed., & Thurs. 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Starts June 28)

Mon., Wed., & Thurs. 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Starts July 12)

Mon., Wed., & Thurs. 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Starts July 26)

Mon., Wed., & Thurs. 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Starts August 9)

Learn to make metal jewellery! This introductory course will cover basic construction techniques such as how to saw, file and solder. Students will have the opportunity to make a simple silver ring, earrings, or a pendant. No experience necessary, tools are provided. Materials may be purchased from the instructor (approx. \$20 to \$30).

\$220 + materials (2wks)

Intensive Art Week (13-17 years)

Monday to Friday 10:00 am to 3:30 pm

In the morning sessions, students will discover the creative potential of various drawing and painting techniques, which may include pencil, charcoal, conté, acrylic, and ink. These dynamic workshops will help them develop technical skills and creativity. Projects change weekly. In the afternoons the students will work together in the McClure Gallery to create a unique art installation. Each student, in each group, will provide an important creative contribution to this collaborative project that will take shape over the course of the summer.

Week of	Fee
June 28*	\$220+\$30 materials
July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 August 2 August 9 August 16	\$270+\$35 materials

* Closed Friday July 2 (Canada Day) Please note: add taxes for 15 years and older.

Teen Courses Online

Mixed-Media Explorations (13-17 years)

Tues. 1:00 - 3:00 pm (starts June 29)

Tues. 1:00 - 3:00 pm (starts July 27)

Would you like to learn a wide variety of techniques such as drawing, painting, sculpture, textile art, and engraving then combine them to express your ideas in a new way? This summer, try a bit of everything! This robust workshop offers you the opportunity to discover various artists and other sources of inspiration that will help you create in a new and exciting way. Participants will complete several inspired projects over the course of the session. Materials are not included.

Illustration (13-17 years)

Thurs. 1:00 - 3:00 pm (starts July 1) Thurs. 1:00 - 3:00 pm (starts July 29)

In this summer course, learn how to illustrate some of your most exciting creative ideas. Thematic projects will give you the basics and essential techniques of illustration. Participants will learn how to draw from observation using perspective techniques, develop drawing skills to depict the body, and create narrative scenarios. This course will give you the fundamental skills you need to confidently fill your sketchbooks with sketches and ideas, you will conquer the blank page! Materials are not included.

\$100 + materials (4 wks)

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Course Cancellation Policy

Cancellations for summer courses must be received before the second class. Refunds for withdrawals from a course after the first class also deduct the cost of one class. No refunds will be made after this time. Cancellation fees include a charge of \$20 per child per session.

Transfer fees: \$10 per transfer. No transfers after Monday at noon of the week prior to the beginning of the course.