

Kelsey Keith

Introducing Kelsey Keith, our newest Art Camp Director! Currently an undergraduate student at Mary Washington University, Kelsey is pursuing her degree in Art History and Museum Studies. With a passion for education, particularly in the realm of art, Kelsey loves to spark creativity and bring out the inner artists of young learners! Having previously worked as a camp counselor and Orientation Leader, she is excited to develop these programs and offer your learners a summer full of imagination and experiences. Get ready for a summer filled with exciting new activities and artistic adventures under Kelsey's guidance!

Art Camps Schedule

Subject to Change. We appreciate your Flexibility!

Nature Week		
Kick off the summer by immersing yourself in the artistic wonders of the natural world with a week-long lineup of activities designed to inspire, educate, and delight young artists and explorers! This week-long camp aims to offer enriching experiences for children ages 5-9, engaging them with crafts inspired by the natural world.		
Monday, June 3rd		
Time	Session	Activity Description
7:30-8:00	Getting to know the artists!	An ice-breaker activity so the campers get to know a bit about each other! (animal name game/soul-mates)
8:00-8:30	Nature name-tags	Create a name-tag for your space, fill it with your favorite animals/plants and things you like to do outside.
8:30- 9:00	Nature Journal Introduction/ design and personalize your journal	Journals will be distributed to each kid, This will be an ongoing project.
9:00- 9:20	Snack time ! (bathroom break for anyone who needs it)	Enjoy a snack! Take a break:)
9:25-10:00	Movement time!	TBD (likely will connect to Kaleidoscope activity)
10:00-10:45	Instruction on next project: Nature	Campers will build their own

	Kaleidoscopes	Kaleidoscopes, find their nature materials, and observe their findings!
10:45- 11:45	Continued Activity time for those who need it- Paint what you See activity with previous kaleidoscope activity	Campers will be introduced to abstract-painting with mandala-print-outs to help form their image. Paintings will be inspired by their home-made Kaleidoscopes. They may also choose to continue working on previous activities.
11:45-12:00	Wind-down activity	Space-clean up time and an end of the day activity. TBD
12:00-1:00	Lunch Time!	Enjoy your lunch and have a great day ! :)
Tuesday, June 4th		
Time	Session	Activity Description
7:30-8:00	Good Morning Artists! Icebreaker activity.	Nature-drawing circle. Everyone begins with a piece of paper. Each starts with 5 minutes on the clock to draw something inspired by a given nature concept. (will be provided multimedia materials) Clock stops, they pass their paper to a neighbor, and the clock starts again. Activity ends when everyone has had a chance to add to each piece.
8:00- 9:00	Activity instruction: Plant Growing kits w/pots painting Activity replacement: salt dough leaf/fish ornaments (get sequins and googly eyes) egg carton mushrooms	Kids will choose their plant, their colors, and design initial ideas for their pot and plant-marker. Kids will learn about each of their plants, how to take care of them, and what they represent.
9:00- 9:20	Snack time! (bathroom break for anyone who needs it)	Get ya snacks :P
9:25-10:00	Movement !	I'm thinking Sharks and minnows, but TBD
10:00- 11:45	Activity Continuation and additional activity (journal time TBD)	Continued work on Pots/plant marker painting, and planting the plant. Journal time: Plant Bio and

		illustrations
11:45-12:00	Clean-up /Wind-down	Clean your space, help your neighbor!
12:00-1:00	Lunchtime!	
Wednesday, June 5th		
Time	Session	Activity Description
7:30-8:00	Good Morning Artists! Icebreaker activity. Dino Doodle Challenge	Today is dino-day. Each camper gets a piece of paper and drawing materials. Challenge is to draw a dinosaur from memory during Once the time is up, everyone shares their dinosaur doodles with the group. Give their dinosaur a name and describe its special characteristics or abilities.
8:00-9:00	Activity Introduction: Dino-excavation sets and Drawing the real-deal.	Each camper is given an excavation set to work on. They must dig out their dinosaur of the day!
9:00- 9:20	Snack time! Get ya snacks! (bathroom break for anyone who needs it)	Eat up:)
9:25-10:00	Movement!	Dino-dance-party. Kids will pick a dino (I'll have a list) , listen and dance to music, then I will stop the music randomly and each time they will have to freeze! (call it an extinction event) if they move they're extinct >:) the last one wins! Game of Pterodactyl if time allows!
10:00-10:45	Activity Continued: Finish dino-sets and draw me your dino :) Begin Terrariums	Finishing up their excavations, each camper will assemble their dino, research what it would have looked like (by asking me and I will google it), and then draw him. We'll hang it side by side with their initial dino drawings.
10:45- 12:00	Dinosaur Terrariums How-To: Terrariums Terrarium Moss	With the figurine they have excavated, Campers will create a natural terrarium for them with found-materials.
12:00-1:00	Lunchtime	Eat ya lunch!

Thursday, June 6th

Time	Session	Activity description
7:30-8:00	Goodmorning Artists! Icebreaker	Leaf Rubbings: Take a walk and collect leaves of various shapes and sizes. Campers get paper and crayons, then will be shown how to place the leaf under the paper and rub the crayon gently over it to create a detailed leaf impression. We will then cut out our leaves and create a camp wreath
8:00-8:30	Rock painting	We'll paint some rocks and line the building with them:)
8:30- 9:00	Group work: Fairyhouses Need: clay	Put into teams of however many, campers will work together to build the best fairyhouse out of found materials they can. They will be provided with clay for foundation.
9:00- 9:20	Snack time!	Eat up!
9:25-10:00	<i>Movement Time!</i>	
10:00-11:00	<i>En-plein-air</i> painting : canvas Rock painting con't	Campers will be provided their own canvas and paints to find a space outdoors and work on painting-from life. Be inventive!
	<i>Find a rainbow activity</i> <i>Make a cardboard picture frame with tape and a tree (on pintrest)</i> <i>Paper turtles (on pintrest)</i> <i>Cardboard critters (making bugs from cardboard)</i> <i>Egg carton Fish</i> <i>Worms on a leaf (need stick, green paper, pipe cleaner, googly eyes)</i> <i>Paper tube koi fish</i> <i>Nature crowns: a band of paper glued to the circumference of their head, then covered in nature materials)</i> <i>Animal family portraits</i>	
12:00	Off to Lunch!	

Friday, June 7th		
Time	Session	Activity description
7:30-8:00	Goodbye Artists! Last group activity	TBD
Fairytale Week Welcome to the enchanted realm of Fantasy Week Camp, where magic and myth come to life through art! Campers ages 5-9 will have a magical week learning tales of mythical heroes and beasts, and have a chance to create some of their own!		
Monday, June 10th (request from parents an object for child to bring in for show-and-tell on the 12th)		
7:30-8:00	Goodmorning Artists!	Magical introductions ! Everyone takes some time to make fairytale name tags. Scratch Coloring pages
8:00-8:30	Fairytale Pictionary	What do we know about Fairytales? Divide the group into teams. One team member draws a scene or character from a well-known fairytale while their teammates try to guess what it is within a time limit
8:30- 9:00	Shoebox Fairy Tales/ magic scenes	Provide each child with a shoebox to create their diorama. Everyone will pick out a fairytale they love and create a scene/environment from it in their own box. (ex jack and the beanstalk, Beauty and the beast, Cinderella, 3 billy goats gruff etc..) Does not need to be a fairytale scene, can be a magical world of your own creation ! a princess's

		bedroom, a witch's lair, your choice! Give them paint, paper, materials, and allow time to think. Provide an example! Show them how to make certain things. Possibly print out the character sheets / images beforehand. Provide lots of materials for this.
9:00- 9:20	Snack time	Eat ya snacks
9:25-10:00	<i>Movement time !</i>	<i>Capture the damsel! (exactly like capture the flag, but the flag is a camper- acting as a damsel in distress (not gender specific ofc) teams are made, everyone splits up and tries to capture the other teams damsel. (if not enough campers! Then regular capture the flag, but the teams are "kingdoms"</i>
10:00-10:45	Activity continuation	Continue working on your shoebox. If finished, begin working on the next activity
10:45-11:30	Magic Wands	Each camper is unique, and needs their own unique magic wand! Give them wands to decorate as their very own.
11:30-12:00	Cleanup/wind down	Read short story, clean up time.
Tuesday, June 11th		
Time	Session	Activity Description
7:30-8:00	Goodmorning Artists!	Fairytale -drawing circle. Everyone begins with a piece of paper. Each starts with 5 minutes on the clock to draw something inspired by a given fairytale concept. (will be provided multimedia materials) Clock stops, they pass their paper to a neighbor, and the clock starts again. Activity

		ends when everyone has had a chance to add to each piece.
8:00-9:00	<i>Animal family portraits</i>	Picture-frame animal family portraits! Each kid gets a sheet of picture frames, an egg carton bottom, some glue and paint. Look at pintrest for reference.
9:00-9:20	Snack time	Eat ya snacks
9:25-10:00	Movement time!	Outdoor chalk, sharks and minnows! Free time
10:00-10:45	Activity continuation	Continue working - if finished, side projects (coloring pages/painting)
10:45- 11:25	Art game	Slow wind-down pictionary
11:30-12:00	Cleanup/wind down	Short story/clean up
Wednesday, June 12th		
7:30-8:00	Good Morning artists!	Introduce your creature to the group ! Show and tell creature: bring in something you want to share with the group, talk about it, and then design a story around it. Will include a drawing and storytelling element. (recommended stuffed animals, figurines, etc...)
	Brainstorming your character creations	Paper doll outfits, giving them a look, and different outfits (get stencil templates)

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