



Monroe Street
Arts Center

SUMMER CAMP 2025

We're thrilled to invite young artists ages 3 through 14 to join us for an unforgettable summer filled with artistic exploration and fun.

Campers 7 years and up are invited to stay for lunch in between morning and afternoon camps for \$25 per week. Food is not provided, please bring a nut-free sack lunch.

Registration opens on January 30th at 9 am!
(Priority Enrollment opens January 29th at 9 am)

Preschool - Age 3-5

Designed specifically for preschoolers age 3-5, these camps are a delightful opportunity for your little ones to explore their creativity, learn about colors, and engage in a wide array of hands-on art activities.

Our preschool mini camps are \$37 unless otherwise noted.

Going on a Bear Hunt

June 19th - June 20th

9:00 - 10:00 am **or** 10:30 - 11:30 am

We're going on a bear hunt! Our youngest campers will explore a variety of creative projects, hands-on activities, and exciting sensory experiences that bring the story to life!

Commotion in the Ocean

June 26th - June 27th

9:00 - 10:00 am **or** 10:30 - 11:30 am

Our youngest campers will explore a variety of creative projects, hands-on activities, and exciting sensory experiences that bring the story "Commotion in the Ocean" to life!

A Teddy Bear Picnic

July 3rd // \$18.50

9:00 - 10:00 am **or** 10:30 - 11:30 am

This is not your ordinary picnic - it's The Teddy Bears' Picnic! Campers will explore a variety of creative projects, hands-on activities, and exciting sensory experiences that bring the story to life! No camp on Friday, July 4th.

Giraffes Can't Dance

July 10th - July 11th

9:00 - 10:00 am **or** 10:30 - 11:30 am

Campers will explore a variety of creative projects, hands-on activities, and exciting sensory experiences that bring Gerald the Giraffe's story to life!

Monsters Love Colors

July 17th - July 18th

9:00 - 10:00 am **or** 10:30 - 11:30 am

Campers will explore a variety of creative projects, hands-on activities, and exciting sensory experiences that bring the story "Monsters Love Colors" to life!

Unicorn Thinks He's Pretty Great

July 24th - July 25th

9:00 - 10:00 am **or** 10:30 - 11:30 am

Unicorn Thinks He's Pretty Great, and we do too! Campers will explore a variety of creative projects, hands-on activities, and exciting sensory experiences that bring this beloved story to life!

Ages 5-7

Camps are \$195 unless otherwise noted.

Fairy Tale Art

June 16th - June 20th

9:00 - 11:30 am

Once upon a time... in an art camp on Monroe Street... students created magnificent art projects inspired by their favorite fairy tale adventures! Through creative projects inspired by beloved fairy tales, campers will explore different art techniques such as painting, drawing, and crafting.

A Fungus Among Us

June 16th - June 20th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

We didn't always like mushrooms, but they're starting to grow on us ;) In this spore inspired camp kiddos will explore different art techniques like painting, sculpting, and crafting to create colorful and whimsical fungi-inspired masterpieces.

Monster Mash

June 23rd - June 27th

9:00 - 11:30 am

What wild, wacky, and unique monsters do you think your camper could dream up? Cyclops, snaggletooth, and horns - oh my! Throughout the week kids will design and craft their own fun and colorful monsters. Through painting, drawing, and mixed-media projects, campers will bring their imaginative creatures to life.

Desert Dreamin'

June 23rd - June 27th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

This is not a mirage! Join us for a week of camp that draws inspiration from spiky plant life, miles of toasty sand, and scaly critters. Using painting, drawing, and crafting, campers will create vibrant desert landscapes, cacti, and unique desert animals.

Red, White and Blue

June 30th - July 3rd // \$156

9:00 - 11:30 am

From sea to shining sea, our own country is the inspiration for this week of summer camp! Campers will use painting, drawing and crafting to explore iconic landscapes, landmarks, and cultural symbols from across the USA. Think bald eagles, Mount Rushmore, National Parks and more as inspiration in this four day camp! No Camp on Friday, July 4th.

Party in the USA!

June 30th - July 3rd // \$156

12:30 - 3:00 pm

Put your hands up, we're playing your song (and the butterflies fly away)! During this American-inspired week of art camp students will use painting, drawing, and crafting to learn about iconic American Artists and artworks. No camp on Friday, July 4th.

Aquatic Art

July 7th - July 11th

9:00 - 11:30 am

Explore the deep blue sea through the eyes of an artist in our Aquatic Art Camp! Campers will explore different art techniques while creating colorful sea creatures, ocean scenes, and marine-inspired masterpieces, sparking their imagination and love for the ocean!

Nursery Rhyme Art

July 7th - July 11th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

Campers will use painting, drawing, and crafting to bring beloved characters like the cow, the moon, and other fun storybook elements to life. Each day, they'll create playful artwork inspired by these classic tales, sparking their imagination and storytelling skills. It's a joyful, hands-on camp where creativity takes flight!

Exploring Great Artists

July 14th - July 18th

9:00 - 11:30 am

Art History comes to life in this inspiring summer camp! Campers will discover famous artists and their iconic styles, while learning about art history and different techniques in a fun, hands-on way.

Shine On!

July 14th - July 18th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

In this week long camp, campers will create art that sparkles and glows! Exploring materials like glitter, metallic paints, and shiny textures, students will craft radiant masterpieces, all while expressing their creativity and learning about light and reflection in art.

Mask Makers

July 21st - July 25th

9:00 - 11:30 am

Kids will learn about different mask styles from around the world and express their imagination by designing and decorating unique, wearable works of art. The camp offers a fun blend of art, culture, and self-expression. Please note this camp will include paper mache.

Arctic Adventures

July 21st - July 25th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

Polar bears, penguins, and walrus' - oh my! Stay cool during the summer heat by joining us for Arctic Adventures art camps! During this week of camp students will chill out while exploring cool techniques as they craft snowy landscapes, polar animals, and icy scenes, all while learning about the beauty of the Arctic.

Passport to Art

July 28th - August 1st

9:00 - 11:30 am

Pack your bags and grab your passports - this camp is headed on an artistic adventure! Exploring art making and creative inspiration from all over the world, kids will experiment with painting, sculpture, mixed media and more.

Magic Trash

July 28th - August 1st

12:30 - 3:00 pm

One person's trash is another person's treasure! During this unique camp week students will use their imagination to transform "trash" into unique art pieces, sculptures, collages, and eco-friendly projects while learning about sustainability and the power of upcycling.

Mix it Up

August 4th - August 8th

9:00 - 11:30 am

Does your camper like every kind of art medium and couldn't possibly choose between painting, drawing, collage, or sculpture? This week they don't have to! In Mix It Up Camp, kiddos will experiment with paints, clay, paper, and more to create mixed-media masterpieces, encouraging creativity and discovery as they combine different textures and styles.

Art Rock!

August 4th - August 8th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

Join us in rocking out during this music-inspired art camp! Kids will get a chance to explore the connection between art and sound by creating vibrant artwork inspired by different styles of music. Campers will also craft their own musical instruments, combining creativity with rhythm to make beautiful noise and visual masterpieces. Rock on!

Storybook Art

August 11th - August 15th

9:00 - 11:30 am

Calling all storybook lovers! Do you love picture books? Do you study the illustrations on each page? Children will explore different artistic techniques, such as painting, drawing, and crafting, while diving into imaginative worlds from their favorite books each day during Storybook Art Camp - fostering both artistic expression and a love for reading!

Kaleidoscope of Colors

August 11th - August 15th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

Calling all color-loving campers! Each day of this week-long camp, kiddos will explore a new color, using it as inspiration for hands-on art projects, creative play, and storytelling. From painting to crafting, young artists will discover how different colors spark emotions and ideas.

Pawsome Adventures

August 18th - August 22nd

9:00 - 11:30 am

Calling all animal + art lovers! Join us for Pawsome Adventures Camp where each day will feature exciting hands-on projects perfect for budding artists with furry friends as our muse. This camp promises a pawsitively unforgettable experience!

Fun in the Sun

August 18th - August 22nd

12:30 - 3:00 pm

What better to draw summer-time art making inspiration from than the sun?! Each day of camp, kids will dive into fun activities like painting sunny landscapes, crafting sun collages, and making sparkling sun catchers. Join us for a week of sunshine-inspired art and creativity that will light up their summer!

Ages 8-10

Camps are \$195 unless otherwise noted.

Going Green

June 16th - June 20th

9:00 - 11:30 am

During this week of summer camp it IS easy being green! In this eco-conscious art camp students will create unique art projects using recycled and natural materials, learning about environmental conservation while expressing their artistic talents.

Paint Big

June 16th - June 20th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

This camp is a BIG deal! During this week-long camp, kiddos will learn about proportions, how to use a grid when drawing, and techniques of scaling up. Students will then work on an acrylic painting the size of a table – this is going to be HUGE fun!

Magical Mystery Art

June 23rd - June 27th

9:00 - 11:30 am

Crystal balls, dragons, magic wands - there is so much to be inspired by in Magical Mystery camp! During this week-long camp kiddos will explore fantasy worlds, and mythical creatures while using a variety of art materials to bring their magical ideas to life.

Perfectly Patterned

June 23rd - June 27th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

Mandalas, tessellations and zentangles - oh my! During this week of art camp, student will learn about the various ways pattern and repetition are represented in art. Exploring cultural influences, optical illusions and the overall impact of patterns!

Light it Up!

June 30th - July 3rd // \$156

9:00 - 11:30 am

We're positively glowing with excitement over this week of camp! Students will learn how to use and manipulate natural light in artwork, create the illusion of light in drawings, add LED lights to a project, and more! Get ready to explore BRIGHT ideas and light it up! No camp on Friday, July 4th.

Artistic America

June 30th - July 3rd // \$156

12:30 - 3:00 pm

What do Georgia O'Keefe, Keith Haring, and Alma Thomas have in common? They are all American artists! In this week long summer camp students will use painting, drawing, and crafting to learn about iconic American Artists and artworks. No camp on Friday, July 4th.

Myths and Legends

July 7th - July 11th

9:00 - 11:30 am

Legends, lore and mythology will serve as inspiration for this week of art camp! Campers will learn to bring mythical worlds to life through drawing, painting, and sculpting, inspired by tales from around the globe.

Painting with Watercolors

July 7th - July 11th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

This week is focused on a favorite medium of so many artists - watercolor! Participants explore the delicate and expressive medium of watercolor painting. Campers will learn various techniques such as blending, layering, wet on wet, wet on dry, and enabling them to bring their artistic visions to life with fluidity and color.

Art Through the Ages

July 14th - July 18th

9:00 - 11:30 am

Take a walk through the timeline of art during this art history inspired week of summer camp! Campers will enjoy hands-on activities inspired by ancient, medieval, Renaissance, and modern art movements, fostering both artistic skills and a deeper appreciation for art history.

Appetite for Art

July 14th - July 18th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

Campers will craft food-themed art projects, from painting delicious still-life scenes to designing art inspired by their favorite dishes, blending the worlds of art and food in a fun and imaginative way. No art supplies (or actual food) will be consumed in this camp.

Beach Party!

July 21st - July 25th

9:00 - 11:30 am

It's time to party! Beach party that is... During this week-long summer camp students will create vibrant, beach-themed crafts and artworks while enjoying activities that capture the essence of a summer celebration by the shore.

Kawaii Art

July 21st - July 25th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

"Kawaii Art" is a delightful art camp that dives into the charming and whimsical world of Japanese-inspired cute art. Campers will learn to create adorable characters, colorful scenes, and playful designs, embracing the joyful essence of the kawaii style while developing their artistic skills.

Textile Arts

July 28th - August 1st

9:00 - 11:30 am

Campers will explore the world of fabric and fibers through creative projects like weaving, dyeing, and embroidery. Campers will learn various textile techniques and express their artistic vision by transforming materials into unique, handmade works of art.

Pet Lovers

July 28th - August 1st

12:30 - 3:00 pm

Pet Lovers camp is the perfect chance to combine a love of animals and love of art! During this week-long camp kiddos will explore pet portraits and animal inspired art through painting, drawing, collage and more.

Heroes and Villains

August 4th - August 8th

9:00 - 11:30 am

Bring epic stories to life through creative projects inspired by legendary characters! Participants will design their own heroes, villains, and comic-style art, exploring storytelling and character development in a fun and imaginative setting.

Mindful Art

August 4th - August 8th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

During this week of art camp, students will learn a variety of art making techniques that will help them slow down and appreciate the here and now. Campers will engage in mindful art techniques, such as meditation-inspired drawing and reflective journaling, fostering a holistic approach to the creative process.

Making Minis

August 11th - August 15th

9:00 - 11:30 am

Miniature magic awaits! Participants will learn the art of crafting and decorating their own mini houses, from designing furniture to creating miniature landscapes. Join us for a week of small-scale creativity, where young architects can bring their imaginations to life.

Drawing & Sketching

August 11th - August 15th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

This camp is anything but basic! Campers will learn foundational skills in sketching, shading, and perspective, enhancing their ability to bring their ideas to life on paper with confidence and creativity.

Storytellers

August 18th - August 22nd

9:00 - 11:30 am

Do you have a budding author/illustrator in your house? In this camp, they will have the chance to create their own illustrated books! Campers will create a narrative and bring their story to life through multi-media art techniques during this week-long art camp.

Music Makers

August 18th - August 22nd

9:00 - 11:30 am

We are turning up the volume during this music inspired week of art camp! Campers will create their own musical instruments, explore sound-inspired art projects, and learn how music and art intersect to spark imagination and expression.

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Ages 11-14

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Self Expression in Art

June 16th - June 20th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

Come to camp prepared to learn more about your personal relationship with art. We will explore the world of aesthetics and what goes into art making - and making work that is unique to you. During this week engaging projects will be organized so that students are working on a similar theme, but with freedom for each to be creative, unique and expressive of their own ideas.

Wildlife Art

June 23rd - June 27th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

Campers will learn techniques to draw, paint, and sculpt animals and natural landscapes, while gaining inspiration from the outdoors. It's the perfect blend of art and wildlife exploration! There will be a field trip to Henry Vilas Zoo on Tuesday, June 24, to sketch and take photos of animals for inspiration.

Photography and Digital Art

June 30th - July 3rd // \$156

12:30 - 3:00 pm

Campers will explore photography techniques, learn about digital editing, and experiment with creating digital artwork using tablets and software. It's the perfect blend of technology and art for young creators! An iPad and stylus can be used for this camp, or photography can be done with a smartphone. If you do not have one, MSAC has several that students can use on a first come, first served basis. No camp on Friday, July 4th.

Global Art Traditions

July 7th - July 11th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

Campers will explore diverse artistic styles, techniques, and stories from various cultures, creating their own pieces inspired by these rich traditions. This week-long camp will provide a hands-on way to celebrate and learn about the world's artistic heritage!

Illustrated Tales

July 14th - July 18th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

Does your student have an interest in writing and illustration? From picture books to graphic novels, illustrated books will be explored! Students will then have an opportunity to bring their own stories to life by creating an illustrated book with multimedia art-making techniques.

Fashion Camp

July 21st - July 25th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

Calling all fashionistas! This camp will guide students through learning to sketch designs, choose colors and fabrics, and even create their own wearable pieces. It's a creative way to explore personal style and the art of fashion!

Paint Your HeART Out

July 28th - August 1st

12:30 - 3:00 pm

During this week-long camp, students ages 11-14 will explore various painting styles, learn about brushwork, color mixing, and composition, while creating their own unique works on canvas. It's a fun, hands-on way to build skills and let creativity flow!

Sculpture & 3D Art

August 4th - August 8th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

The sky is the limit on creativity in this week-long camp. Students ages 11-14 will work with various materials like clay, wire, and recycled objects to build sculptures, learning techniques in shaping, structuring, and assembling. It's a hands-on way to explore the art of form and space!

Self-Centered

August 11th - August 15th

12:30 - 3:00 pm

The inspiration for this week of camp is... YOU! Campers will learn techniques in drawing, painting, and mixed media to capture their unique features, expressions and identity. It's a meaningful way to build artistic skills while discovering self-expression!

Adventures in Time

August 18th - August 22nd

12:30 - 3:00 pm

With art history as the window, journey to the past and explore the spaces, culture, and time that came before us. Interpret work that represents art movements throughout time, taking note of the stories told and untold. Using what we learn about the past, imagine a distant future that depicts untold stories where dreams come true.

Fabric Storyscapes Ages 6-17

Camps are \$155

A summer tradition at MSAC. Design and create your own unique fabric “storyscape” in a miniature quilt format. Taught by instructor Nancy Daly since the beginning of MSAC in 1997! Camp will be held at Blessed Sacrament. The cost of this camp includes all supplies and a quilt finishing fee. Please note: it is important that campers attend all 5 days if possible to ensure a completed quilt.

5 Days and Times to Choose From:

June 16th - June 20th
9:00 - 10:30 am

June 16th - June 20th
10:45 am - 12:15 pm

June 16th - June 20th
1:00 - 2:30 pm

June 23rd - June 27th
9:00 - 10:30 am

June 23rd - June 27th
10:45 am - 12:15 pm

Just Roll With It: Dungeons & Dragons Ages 8+

Camps are \$250

Give your kids a break from screens this summer with old school Dungeons and Dragons at MSAC! Led by experienced instructor/dungeon master, Matthew Dahm, students will learn D&D basics, create characters, and partake in a one-week campaign. Each session covers the same introductory material. All materials, including dice to keep, are provided. Participants need to bring a water bottle and a nut-free snack. The first day includes introductions, character creation, and rule discussions, while the second day starts with character art and then the adventure begins!

4 Weeks to Choose From:

June 23rd - June 27th
1:00 - 3:00 pm

July 7th - July 11th
1:00 - 3:00 pm

July 21st - July 25th
1:00 - 3:00 pm

August 18th - August 22nd
1:00 - 3:00 pm

Music Camps

Ages 9-14

Camps are \$195

Musical Theater

July 28th - August 1st

9:00 - 11:30 am

In this week-long camp our stars will dive into the vibrant world of musical theater while mastering the essentials of singing and storytelling through some of the most beloved modern Broadway hits. (Song choices are yet to be decided). The adventure culminates in a thrilling performance on Friday, where our talented campers will dazzle family and friends with their newfound skills.

Pop Music

August 4th - August 8th

9:00 - 11:30 am

In this week-long camp, learn the basics of singing solo, rocking the mic, and captivating an audience like a pop star! Expect to sing songs from favorite artists such as Taylor Swift, Ed Sheeran, Billie Eilish, and More! The week wraps up with a performance for friends and family on Friday.

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Summer Camp FAQs

Summer Camp Cancellation Policy for 2025

- Cancellation 30 days or more to the start of the summer camp that is being cancelled: full refund, less 20% administrative fee.
- Cancellation 14 - 29 days prior to the start of summer camp that is being cancelled: 50% refund.
- Cancellation within 13 days or less prior to the start of camp: NO REFUND.

*There are no refunds/credits for missed camps no exceptions.

To request a cancellation, please email info@monroestreetarts.org or call 608-232-1510.

How are Camps Billed?

Camps are priced by week. Please view your parent portal for camp fee information. Online registrations require a credit card on file to register. Your card will be automatically charged the day you register.

Do I select a camp based on their current age?

Please be sure to look at the dates of each camp as the system is configured to process enrollments based on the child's age at the start date of camp. (Example: your student is currently 7 years old but will be turning 8 in May; please be sure to select any of the camps for 8-year-olds.) Due to limited class sizes, we cannot make exceptions.

Waitlist Policy

There are 5 waitlist spots on each camp; if an opening becomes available, all waitlist families are notified via email, and the spot is given on a first-reply basis. It is highly recommended to make sure info@monroestreetarts.org is on your whitelist to ensure email notifications don't get filtered in your junk or spam mailbox.

How does pick-up and drop-off work?

Students are expected to be signed in and out of camp at the start and completion of each day. If you would like your students to be able to sign themselves in and out, fill out our student sign out form. A link to the form can be found on our website's summer camp pages.

Why can't my child stay for lunch?

Students under 7 years old during the dates of their camp may attend both morning and afternoon camp, but they cannot stay during the lunch hour due to licensing regulations. If you have any questions, please email caitlin@monroestreetarts.org.

Can my child bring a snack?

Students are encouraged to bring a peanut/tree nut-free snack and/or water bottle to camp each day. MSAC does not provide snacks.

What should my child wear to camp?

During summer camps we ask that the students wear clothing that is ok to get messy and/or possibly stained.

How long will you keep my student's artwork that was left at The Center?

We will keep artwork until the end of the camp week (Friday at 3 pm) unless other arrangements are made with the camp instructor.