



## *Online Resources & Outdoor Events*

We want to support our students and our community in any way possible. Enjoy this teacher-curated list of free online resources and in-person events, from art exhibitions to crafts to online step-by-step tutorials, for kids who really love art! Keep checking back for updates. Scroll down for different ages.

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### *For Everyone:*

#### **MANGA MANIA: TEEN PROGRAM**

**February 24, 4:00 PM**

Do you love anime and manga? OC Public Libraries invites youth to our Manga Mania: Teen Program at the Brea Library. Join us for an hour of anime viewing, discussion and coloring.

For teens ages 12-17. Registration is not required.

WEBSITE: <https://ocpl.libcal.com/event/13787214>

#### **BUENA PARK: MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL ART SHOW**

**February 24, 4:00 PM**

Now on view at the City of Buena Park City Hall is our Middle & High School Art Show featuring the original art of 7-12 grade students who live and/or attend school in Buena Park. Make arrangements to view the student's art in the following categories: oil/acrylic, watercolor, ink, charcoal/pencil/pastel, 2D mixed media, photography or digital art.

Join us for an Awards Reception will be held on Thursday, February 27 at 6:00pm in Council Chamber.

WEBSITE: [https://www.buenapark.com/city\\_departments/community\\_services/cultural\\_fine\\_arts/exhibiting\\_artist\\_program.php](https://www.buenapark.com/city_departments/community_services/cultural_fine_arts/exhibiting_artist_program.php)

## **BRIAN'S MAGNIFICENT GARDEN BY BRIAN LIES**

**January 11 – March 9**

This exhibition presents a captivating interactive exhibition showcasing the enchanting artwork of the beloved children's author and illustrator, Brian Lies. Designed for both adults and children, this exhibition invites visitors to explore whimsical tales through engaging illustrations, sparking imagination and joy for all ages.

WEBSITE: <https://www.casaromantica.org/events/kids-storybook-exhibition-by-brian-lies/>

## **OMNIVISION: ART ACROSS BOUNDARIES**

**February 20 – March 13**

OC Parks invites the community to discover the work of local artists inspired by life in Southern California at *Omnivision: Art Across Boundaries* art exhibit, now on display at the Old Orange County Courthouse in Santa Ana.

The art exhibit is hosted by OC Parks in partnership with the Southern California Plein Air Painters Association (SOCALPAPA), a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the tradition of plein air painting. The collection features more than 180 original paintings from over 60 local artists depicting diverse sceneries of nature, cityscapes, florals and more. The art exhibit will include plein air pieces and original artwork of all sizes and mediums.

WEBSITE: <https://ocparks.com/news/omnivision-art-across-boundaries-exhibit-now-display-old-orange-county-courthouse>

## **IMAGINOLOGY**

**April 12 – April 13**

A free family event that focuses on STEAM education and hands-on learning.

Imaginology features makeshops, demonstrations, competitions, hands-on activities and entertainment, as well as food and fun. Youth competitions give students the chance to be recognized for their unique talent and accomplishments.

WEBSITE: <https://ocfair.com/imaginology/>

## **MORE THAN YOU CAN CHEW**

**February 20 – April 20**

Extending beyond aesthetics and taste, *More Than You Can Chew* surveys contemporary artworks that examine the cultural, economic, and political foundations which shape our culinary experiences. Acting as conduits for discourse, the artworks included in this exhibition bring new ideas to familiar subjects. Explore the complexities of food through

a lens that merges the edible with artistic integrity, showcasing that some of the most simple and familiar things can hold hidden and elaborate meanings.

WEBSITE: <https://www.cityofirvine.org/great-park/exhibitions>

## **COMMON GROUND: EARLY 20<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY ARTIST COMMUNITIES**

**February 8 – May 17**

UCI Jack and Shanaz Langson Institute and Museum of California Art (IMCA) invites the community to view Common Ground: Early 20th-Century Artist Communities in Southern California. Common Ground explores how artists' communities in Los Angeles, Laguna Beach, and La Jolla contributed to the development of California plein air painting in the early 20th century. Southern California experienced rapid growth during this period, as marked by population increases, suburban expansion, and the rise of automobile culture.

WEBSITE: <https://imca.uci.edu/exhibition/common-ground-early-20th-century-artist-communities-in-southern-california/>

## **DISNEY CLASSICS OF THE 1950s AND 60s**

**September 21, 2024 – April 19, 2025**

Prepare for a whirlwind of enchantment as Pacific Symphony and American Ballet Theatre William J. Gillespie School at Segerstrom Center for the Arts unite to reimagine Tchaikovsky's cherished holiday spectacle. This exhilarating new production bursts to life with a freshness that will dazzle the senses and ignite the imaginations of all ages. Surrender to the magic as you're whisked away on a thrilling adventure, where every turn is filled with breathtaking dance, vibrant costumes, and the beloved, timeless score that has become synonymous with the wonder of the season.

WEBSITE: <https://hilbertmuseum.org/disney-classics-of-the-1950s-and-60s/>

## **PICTURING PARADISE: THE ART OF CALIFORNIA ORANGE BOX LABELS**

**September 21, 2024 – April 19, 2025**

Gordon McClelland, who pioneered the whole orange-crate label collecting trend with his 1980s books on the subject, curates this exhibition of colorful crate labels dating from the 1880s to 1955. Many of the spectacular illustrations on these labels depicted the sunny paradise that was Southern California, or exoticized it as a land of flirty Spanish señoritas and picturesque haciendas. These designs helped not only to sell oranges, but to promote the notion of California itself as a golden dream state of idyllic beauty and "paradise found."

WEBSITE: <https://hilbertmuseum.org/picturing-paradise-california-orange-box-labels/>

# ORDINARY EXTRAORDINARY

**November 21, 2024 – May 25, 2025**

A paper bag that glitters in 24-karat gold. A giant Pink Pearl eraser. A landscape sculpted from sponges, scrubbers, scouring pads, and mopheads. Reframing the objects and environments of everyday life, OCMA's exhibition *Ordinary Extraordinary* brings together a constellation of works that make the commonplace seem unfamiliar, uncanny, mysterious, and even magical.

WEBSITE: <https://ocma.art/exhibitions/ordinary-extraordinary/>

## *Ongoing OC Art Events:*

### **HUNTINGTON BEACH SURF CITY NIGHTS**

**Every Tuesday, 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

The Surf City Nights Certified Farmers Market takes place every Tuesday on Main Street in downtown Huntington Beach from 5-9pm. Just steps from the beach, the market features local merchants offering fresh produce, flowers + local artisans with handcrafted collectibles. Take a stroll down Main Street and hear live music while watching the sun set over the Pacific Ocean.

WEBSITE: <https://www.surfcityusa.com/events/community-events/surf-city-nights/>

### **SAN CLEMENTE VILLAGE ART FAIRE**

**First Sunday of Every Month, 9:00 AM**

The Village Art Faire is a decades-old San Clemente tradition, born from a desire to put gifted artists and craftspeople in touch with their local community. It has grown to include artists from all over Southern California and attracts visitors from near and far.

Our artisans offer a beautiful selection of hand-crafted work which includes photography, fine art, jewelry, woodwork, botanicals, apothecary, leather, wearables, ceramics, home decor, fused/blown glass, metal work, and much more. Stroll and shop Avenida Del Mar where more than 60 vendors will have arts, crafts and other fabulous items.

WEBSITE: <https://scdba.org/village-art-faire>

### **DOWNTOWN FULLERTON ART WALK**

**First Friday of Every Month, 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM**

This incredibly popular Art Walk brings hundreds of art enthusiasts to the streets of downtown Fullerton, where various venues host art exhibits, music acts, and performance art. Multiple venues offer free art activities and exhibition openings within walking distance of each other. You can find a map at any venue for a self-guided tour. Free refreshments are also provided throughout the evening at many of the stops.

WEBSITE: <http://www.fullertonartwalk.com/>

### **SANTA ANA ARTISTS VILLAGE ART WALK**

**First Saturday of Every Month, 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM**

The Downtown Santa Ana Art Walk takes place the first Saturday of every month and showcases more over 25 galleries, 40 vendors, and 40 bars and restaurants. The event features live performances, art activities for kids, Artmusement, a coloring wall at M. Lovewell, community engagement, and games at Good Beer Co.

WEBSITE: <https://www.dtsaartwalk.org/>

## **YORBA LINDA CULTURAL ARTS CENTER FAMILY TOURS**

### **Ongoing 10:30 AM – 2:30 PM**

Families are invited to experience the new Yorba Linda Cultural Arts Center! Tours of the facility will include family-friendly art workshops for the entire family. Social distancing measures will be in place and face coverings must be worn. With limited space, pre-registration is required. Online pre-registration is required and is limited to five families per 30-minute time slot. Only one registration is required per family; maximum family size of five is allowed. For more information contact the Yorba Linda Cultural Arts Center at (657) 242-4660.

WEBSITE: <https://www.activekids.com/yorba-linda-ca/classes/free-family-art-experience-tours-2021>

## **LAGUNA BEACH ART WALK**

### **First Thursday of Every Month, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM**

Held on the first Thursday of every month from 6 – 9pm. Visitors are invited to join Galleries throughout Laguna Beach for a festive year round event. Free trolley service commences from the Laguna Art Museum. Each trolley is accompanied by an Art Walk guide, who are there to inform and answer any questions you may have.

WEBSITE: <https://www.firstthursdaysartwalk.org/>

## *For Kids:*

### **ART FOR KIDS HUB**

Step-by-Step Drawing for Kids! Many Art Steps kiddos love these tutorials!

WEBSITE: <https://www.youtube.com/user/ArtforKidsHub>

### **GONOODLE**

Feeling some stress? This one is not exactly about art, but we thought you might like it: Children can enjoy some indoor activity and relax with meditation.

WEBSITE: <https://www.gonoodle.com>

## **NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART DOWNLOADABLE LESSONS**

WEBSITE: <https://www.nga.gov/education/teachers/lessons-activities.html>

### **TATE KIDS**

Tate Museum offers free online art lessons, quizzes, games, and mini lectures for kids!

WEBSITE: <https://www.tate.org.uk/kids>

*For Teens:*

## **KENNEDY CENTER ARTS EDUCATION**

The Kennedy Center's Art Education resources aim to both empower young artists and provide arts educators the resources they need to effectively bring the arts to their classroom. Included is everything from graduate level assistance to classroom lesson plans to summer intensives for young students.

WEBSITE: <https://www.kennedy-center.org/education/>

## **NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS**

The National Endowment for the Arts supports exemplary arts projects in communities nationwide through grantmaking initiatives, partnerships, and events. They also award grants to nonprofit organizations, creative writers and translators, state arts agencies, and regional arts organizations.

WEBSITE: <https://www.arts.gov/>

## **SPARKETH ONLINE ART COURSES**

As seen on Shark Tank, Sparketh Online Art Courses offers a library of 1000+ bite-sized video art lessons taught by talented mentors and educators. There are classes on many different types of art. Everything from how to draw manga to how to create abstract paintings is covered.

WEBSITE: <https://sparketh.com/>

## **ART CAREER PROJECT**

The Art Career Project is a leading destination for artists to explore career paths, search programs, and find the resources they need to build careers with longevity and meaning.

WEBSITE: <https://theartcareerproject.com/>

## **BROOKLYN DIGITAL ART LIBRARY**

The Digital Library is the virtual extension of the Brooklyn Art Library and contains 25,019 complete scanned contributions to The Sketchbook Project and counting. Users curate collections of their favorite sketchbooks. You can search and share them with your friends! Find inspiration from others through this digital library!

WEBSITE: <https://www.sketchbookproject.com/library>

## **PIXAR IN A BOX**

Pixar in a Box is a behind-the-scenes look at how Pixar artists do their jobs. You will be able to animate bouncing balls, build a swarm of robots, and make virtual fireworks explode. The subjects you learn in school — math, science,

computer science, and humanities — are used every day to create amazing movies at Pixar. This collaboration between Pixar Animation Studios and Khan Academy is sponsored by Disney.

WEBSITE: <https://www.khanacademy.org/partner-content/pixar>

## **SCHOLASTIC LEARN AT HOME**

A vast, wide-ranging collection of ways to interact and explore a wide variety of topics, for all ages!

WEBSITE: <https://www.sdmart.org/exhibition/bouquereau-america/>

## **CESAR SANTOS**

One of our favorite YouTubers who will surely provide both entertainment and big inspiration for tweens, teens and adults!

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ce7leNdACKk>

## **KHAN ACADEMY ART HISTORY LESSONS**

One of our favorite YouTubers who will surely provide both entertainment and big inspiration for tweens, teens and adults!

WEBSITE: <https://www.khanacademy.org/humanities/art-history>

## *For Older Elementary & Tweens:*

## **LITTLE BIG HISTORY OF PAINT**

Cool concepts, for kids and teens

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YCUav6IGs1s>

## **MOM JUNCTION**

Fun Arts and Crafts for Teens

WEBSITE: [https://www.momjunction.com/articles/cool-arts-and-crafts-ideas-for-teens\\_00377483/](https://www.momjunction.com/articles/cool-arts-and-crafts-ideas-for-teens_00377483/)

## **CARLA SONHEIM PRESENTS KIDS ART WEEK**

Author of Drawing Lab for Mixed-Media Artists: 52 Creative Exercises to Make Drawing Fun! Presents free kids art lessons based on famous artists!



Video: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sLYX1OUKuhI&list=PLroCMYsQv0JOpI\\_S8mPiBCHw7MZpt5BC4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sLYX1OUKuhI&list=PLroCMYsQv0JOpI_S8mPiBCHw7MZpt5BC4)

## *For the Youngest Children:*

### **STORY TIME WEDNESDAYS AT CASA ROMANTICA**

**Every Wednesday in July, 10:30 AM**

Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens invites families to Story time Wednesdays. This event is free as a part of our Casa Kids programming. Donations will be accepted if you'd like to help rebuild Casa Romantica.

WEBSITE: <https://www.casaromantica.org/events/storytime/>

### **MISS BRUSHES ART ACADEMY BY SESAME STUDIOS**

By the makers of sesame street, join Miss Brushes art class as they learn about "what is art?", "how to make a self-portrait", and "how to make new colors". A cute animated series your little one will love!

Video: [https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLkon\\_sSMYfKbNmlcyIFcMyIq16Rnf0JFt](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLkon_sSMYfKbNmlcyIFcMyIq16Rnf0JFt)

### **ARTS AND CRAFTS BY SESAME STUDIOS**

Grab some paint, crayons, and your imagination because it's time to express your creativity with Sesame Studios!

Video: [https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLkon\\_sSMYfKbSjF\\_OeDn4Ts-SOL-P-AaJ](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLkon_sSMYfKbSjF_OeDn4Ts-SOL-P-AaJ)

**More to come! Check back soon!**

**Know of a great art-related link that you can share?**

**Call 714-524-2248, or email us! [centraloffice@artstepsclasses.com](mailto:centraloffice@artstepsclasses.com)**



Every Child is a Masterpiece