

Online Resources & Outdoor Events

At this time, we want to support our students and our community in any way possible. Enjoy this teacher-curated list of free online resources, from art history 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:

WINTER FEST OC

November 25, 2022 – January 3, 2023

Winter Fest OC returns to the OC Fair & Event Center the day after Thanksgiving. The largest winter festival in SoCal featuring 26 days and nights of attractions, live entertainment and fun for everyone. Experience an outdoor winter wonderland with dazzling lights, music, carnival games, food, drink, crafts, great photo ops, and Santa.

WEBSITE: https://www.casaromantica.org/calendar/

CASA LUMINA HOLIDAY WALK

December 1, 2022 - December 23, 2022

Casa Lumina Holiday Walk returns to Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens (Casa). Explore the historic home and gardens after dark with thousands of twinkling lights and holiday displays. Enjoy hot chocolate, live musical performances, and holiday activities nightly. Open 5-7 p.m. on select dates. Advance ticket purchase is recommended for this sell-out holiday event.

WEBSITE: https://www.casaromantica.org/calendar/

SAWDUST FESTIVAL: WINTER FANTASY

November 19, 2022 – December 18, 2022

Open weekends 10am to 7pm, November 19th through December 18th, and select Fridays, November 25th and December 16th. Winter Fantasy is a one-of-a-kind holiday art festival that offers a festive, unique shopping experience in an enchanting winter wonderland with thousands of lights and decorations, handcrafted gifts by 165 artists, three stages of live music, community performances, carolers, puppeteers, art classes, and daily visits with Santa Claus.

WEBSITE: https://sawdustartfestival.org/festivals/winter-fantasy/

13 WOMEN EXHIBITION

October 20, 2022 - December 30, 2022

The new Orange County Museum of Art (OCMA) opens with 13 Women. Curated by the museum's CEO and Director Heidi Zuckerman. 13 Women marks the museum's 60th anniversary, paying homage to the 13 women who founded the Balboa Pavilion Gallery, OCMA's predecessor institution, which was opened in 1962.

Presented in two rotations over the course of an entire year, 13 Women presents work from the 1960s to the present by the artists central to the museum's collection. Centered on the work of 13 pioneering female artists, each of whom share the visionary qualities of the museum founders, the multigenerational group exhibition celebrates OCMA's shared history—one distinguished by innovative and groundbreaking exhibitions, thoughtful programming, and a deep commitment to artists.

WEBSITE: https://ocma.art/exhibitions-upcoming/

TRANSFORMATIONS, A RETROSPECTIVE

October 20, 2022 - December 30, 2022

Soka University is pleased to reopen Founders Hall Gallery with Arie A. Galles: Transformation, a Retrospective now through December 2022. This exhibition spans seven decades of growth and transformations throughout Galles' artistic career. The works explore a roadmap full of abrupt detours and returns to his previous iconography.

Galles' works range from figurative to strictly formalistic imagery, but in the "Heartland" drawings and acrylic paintings he found the ideal synthesis of subject and technique. Works in these series are translated into "Reflected-Light Paintings" by their metamorphosis into non-physical light images, "Anti-Shadows." From 2004 through 2010 Galles served as director of Soka's Creative Arts Program. His work has been exhibited in numerous solo and group shows throughout the US, Canada, and abroad.

WEBSITE: https://www.soka.edu/community-members/founders-hall-art-gallery

NATURAL FLOW ART EXHIBIT

November 3, 2022 - December 1, 2022

Community Art Project (CAP) presents a new exhibition, Natural Flow, at the Laguna Beach Cultural Arts Center in downtown. Natural Flow presents the relationship of elements in Nature, as viewed and interpreted through the eyes of artists Lesli Bonanni, Marianne Champlin, Adrienne Fayne, Paul Gardner, Tom Lamb and Troy Poeschl.

WEBSITE: https://www.sparkoc.com/event/on-exhibit-at-laguna-beach-cultural-arts-center/

SPIRIT OF THE LAND

September 26, 2022 – December 1, 2022

Frank M. Doyle Arts Pavilion at Orange Coast College presents – Spirit of the Land. This traveling exhibition features selected works by 23 regional, national and Indigenous artists who have chosen to celebrate the country around Spirit Mountain, known as Avi Kwa Ame (Ah-VEE kwa-meh). It celebrates a recent bill introduced in Congress that would permanently protect 443,000 acres of the area as Nevada's fourth National Monument, to be named Avi Kwa Ame, the Mojave name for Spirit Mountain and the surrounding landscape in Southern Nevada. It is the source of life and place of origin for 10 Yuman-speaking tribes of the Mojave: Hualapai, Yavapai, Havasupai, Quechan, Maricopa, Pai Pai, Halchidhoma, Cocopah, and Kumeyaay, and is sacred land to the Hopi and Chemehuevi Paiute people.

WEBSITE: https://www.sparkoc.com/event/spirit-of-the-land/

CALIFORNIA BIENNIAL 2022: PACIFIC GOLD

October 8, 2022 - February 26, 2023

As part of its suite of opening exhibitions, OCMA is reviving the California Biennial. Dating back to 1984, the biennial defined the spirit of the institution for decades, exemplifying the museum's six-decade history of presenting new developments in contemporary art while identifying emerging artists on the verge of national and international acclaim. Organized by former OCMA curator Elizabeth Armstrong—who curated the California Biennial in 2002, 2004, and 2006—with Essence Harden, Visual Arts Curator at the California African American Museum, and Gilbert Vicario, Chief Curator at the Phoenix Art Museum, the exhibition features 19 artists from across the state.

From the high desert to the oceanside of Bolinas and Monterey, and through the dense metropolises of Los Angeles and San Francisco, the collection of artists reflects on California and its unique place in the popular American imagination. Revisiting mythical stories and reimagining California as a changing land, the California Biennial 2022: Pacific Gold presents a set of distinctive voices, ones which question, challenge, and animate the past, while looking to the future.

WEBSITE: https://ocma.art/exhibitions/california-biennial-2022-pacific-gold/

PURE UNADULTERATED JOY

July 23 – September 16 extended to December 4, 2022!

After the endlessly bleak last two years of the Covid-19 pandemic, people need a little pop of brightness in their lives. And the Brea Gallery is here to provide just that! Filled to the brim with the most brightly-colored, joyous, pop-culture-nostalgic artwork to be found, this syrupy sweet exhibit is sure to leave the 90s kids of Lisa Frank with a real sugar rush. Exploring the contemporary resurgences of pop art, super saturated color, low brow subject matter, and surrealism, this art show showcases everything the downright adorable to the creepy cute, guaranteed to put a smile on anyone's face.

WEBSITE: https://www.breaartgallery.com/currentexhibit

EIGHTEENTH-CENTURY PASTELS

August 30, 2022 - February 26, 2023

This installation charts the rise of pastel across Europe in the 18th century, when the medium reached an unprecedented peak of popularity due to its portability, swift execution, and dazzling visual effects. This made pastels an especially desirable medium for portraits. Accordingly, pastelists were often highly mobile, crisscrossing Europe in search of commissions. Featured artists include Rosalba Carriera and Adélaïde Labille-Guiard, among the first women artists to exploit the potential of pastel.

WEBSITE: https://www.getty.edu/art/exhibitions/18th_century_pastels/index.html

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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. The Village Art Faire is held on the FIRST SUNDAY of every month at 9AM and is put on by the Downtown Business Association. 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 <u>Downtown Santa Ana Art Walk</u> takes place the first Saturday of every month and showcases more the 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, open mic and free stylin' opportunities, 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: http://www.firstthursdaysartwalk.com/

FREE ONLINE ART STEPS CLASS

The new online program gets students into "the zone"! Develop classical, foundational skills while you're at home! There is limited space for one Free Introductory Online Class for new and former students living in Orange County, CA: Ages 4 through teens. Reach out and get on the list!

WEBSITE: https://www.artstepsclasses.com/contact-artsteps.aspx

VIRTUAL MUSEUM TOURS

Google's list of all free virtual museum tours

WEBSITE: https://artsandculture.google.com/partner

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:

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

Ongoing

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/bouguereau-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/

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=sIYX1OUKuhl&list=PLroCMySQv0JOpl_S8mPiBCHw7MZpt5BC4

For the Youngest Children:

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_sSMyfKbNmlcylFcMylg16Rnf0JFt

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

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



Every Child is a Masterpiece