

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:

ANAHEIM HOLIDAY CARNIVAL

October 12, 2024 - December 1, 2024

Santa, Snow, Mrs. Claus, Magician, Cookie Decorating and More at Anaheim Town Square's Holiday Carnival! Step right up and get ready for a jolly good time at Anaheim Town Square's Holiday Carnival! Join us on Sunday, December 1st, 2024 from 12-3PM as we transform Anaheim Town Square into a winter wonderland filled with festive fun for the whole family.

WEBSITE: https://anaheimtownsquare.com/events/holiday-carnival-2/

LAGUNA NIGUEL LIBRARY STORY TIME

December 4, 2024

Wrap up the year with one last **Laguna Niguel Library Story Time** at Moulton Museum! Kids will love the Westem and farm-themed stories, songs, and crafts, and can enjoy a free museum tour afterward. Don't miss out on this special event in collaboration with the Public Libraries program of Orange County.

WEBSITE: https://moultonmuseum.org/event/laguna-niguel-library-storytime-dec-2024/

FAMILY HOLIDAY UKULELE NIGHT

December 5, 2024

Join us for a Family Holiday Ukulele Night of fun! Come on down to the All the Arts for All the Kids Foundation Studio for a ukulele lesson, hot chocolate, a cookie and lots of fun!! Your ticket will include a lesson on a ukulele from 4

time Grammy Nominee Artists/Educator Greg Adamson and a night of lifetime memories with family and friends. Ukulele's will be provided.

WEBSITE: https://www.qivsum.com/opportunities/family-holiday-ukulele-night-cfa7ef928

99 VOICES ON PASTEL

October 12, 2024 - December 6, 2024

The Brea Gallery is proud to present *99 Voices in Pastel* by the artists of the Pastel Society of the West Coast. Pastels typically come in the form of short sticks of pigment and binder. Used by artists since the Renaissance, they gained popularity in the 18th century when notable artists like Mary Cassatt, Édouard Manet, and Edgar Degas made pastels their primary medium.

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

HOLIDAY MARKET AT FULLERTON MUSEUM

December 7, 2024

Join us for Fullerton Museum Center's annual Winter Market at the Downtown Fullerton Plaza. Enjoy a day of holiday shopping from over 50 local artisans, crafters, and unique vendors. Come enjoy festive performances from community groups, live music, take a train ride, munch on tasty treats plus, snap a photo with Santa.

WEBSITE: https://www.fullertonmuseum.com/?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTAAAR2wazWkw-QMToJ9Fo4UZt4IM-C77IgMPAafpmHf3Nwp Yr119- n4hpVMA aem 5 L5GiTXfGBJAkBbaR3d9w

THE NUTCRACKER FOR KIDS!

December 7, 2024

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://www.pacificsymphony.org/show-details/the-nutcracker-for-kids

A SPECIAL VISIT WITH CARING SANTA

December 8, 2024

Caring Santa is a special, sensory-friendly experience - exclusively for children with special needs and their families. Sunday December 8th from 9:00 - 10:30am. Located at Center Court. Reservations are required for this private event.

WEBSITE: https://www.simon.com/mall/brea-mall/stores/santa-photo-experience/stream/a-special-visit-with-caring-santa-6247983

THE PATCHWORK SHOW TUSTIN

December 8, 2024

Free to attend family-friendly and pet-friendly! Shows feature local makers, a Patchwork Junior section showcasing young creatives, music, food, DIY craft activities and more!

Join us in Old Town Tustin in the heart of Orange County for Patchwork Show Tustin. This unique spot is surrounded by historic buildings, shops and restaurants and our show features food trucks and local vendors.

WEBSITE: https://dearhandmadelife.com/patchwork-show/

WINTER FANTASY AT SAWDUST ART FESTIVAL

November 22, 2024 - December 22, 2024

Experience the magic of Winter Fantasy at the Sawdust Art Festival in Laguna Beach where creativity illuminates a wonderland of holiday cheer. Our 175+ artists transform joy into treasures, giving you the chance to gift the extraordinary. See art created, enjoy live holiday entertainment, experience hands-on art projects plus, visit with Santa and snap a family photo or two. Our sparkling winter wonderland is open every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from November 22 to December 22

WEBSITE: https://sawdustartfestival.org/2024-winter-festival-tickets/

DISNEY CLASSICS OF THE 1950s AND 60s

September 21, 2024 – April 19, 2025

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

PICTURING PARADICE: 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 senoritas 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/



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



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 t 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/

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

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_sSMyfKbNmlcylFcMyIq16Rnf0JFt

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