



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:

100TH ANAHEIM FALL FESTIVAL & HALLOWEEN PARADE

October 26, 2024

The Anaheim Fall Festival takes place along Center Street Promenade in the heart of downtown Anaheim and concludes with the Anaheim Halloween Parade, which starts at the intersection of Anaheim Blvd and Broadway and proceeds down Center Street Promenade and Broadway. This hometown tradition is run entirely by local volunteers who come together each year to celebrate Halloween, Dia de Los Muertos, and the Harvest Season.

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

ORANGE: PAINT & SCULPT DAY AT THE HILBERT MUSEUM

October 26, 2024

Watch artists paint live at the Santa Fe Train Station in Orange

On one special day, arts enthusiasts can observe artists of the California Arts Club (CAC) celebrate the end of the 113th Gold Medal Exhibition at our closing Paint/Sculpt Out at the Santa Fe Train Station in Orange. Be inspired as you watch CAC artists sketch costumed models posing by this historic 1938 Mission Revival Santa Fe train station.

This free event will take place across from the Hilbert Museum of California Art at the Santa Fe Train Station in Orange and include art stations for children and adults.

WEBSITE: <https://www.californiaartclub.org/event/closing-day-paint-sculpt-out-at-the-hilbert-museum-113th-annual-gold-medal-exhibition/>

SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION

October 27, 2024

The Anaheim Fall Join us for Halloween & Trick-or-Treating fun at Anaheim Town Square! Get ready for a hauntingly good time at Anaheim Town Square's Spooktacular Halloween Celebration & Boo-tiful Trick-or-Treating Extravaganza on Sunday, October 27th from 3:00PM to 6:00PM!

Gather your goblins, witches, and little monsters for an afternoon of frightfully delightful fun that promises to be an unforgettable Halloween experience for all ages.

WEBSITE: <https://anaheimtownsquare.com/events/spooktacular-halloween-celebration-2/>

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS FESTIVAL AT THE MUCK

October 27, 2024

Join us to celebrate *Día de los Muertos*! We will have festive activities for the whole family, live music, local artisans, and arts and crafts for kids.

WEBSITE: <https://themuck.org/program/2024-10-27>

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS AT SADDLEBACK COLLEGE

November 1, 2024

Join Saddleback Arts' annual celebration where we honor loved ones in the Latin American tradition of Dia de los Muertos. Enjoy live entertainment, fun art activities the whole family can enjoy plus, free tacos. It's all 100% free, and we can't wait to see you there

WEBSITE: <https://www.saddleback.edu/events/dia-de-los-muertos-celebration>

ART FOR KIDS WITH LOCA ARTS

October 21, 2024 – November 11, 2024

A series of art classes, taught by professional LOCA artists. Children age 5+ will learn different techniques to create their art projects. Free, all materials provided by LOCA Arts Education. Space is limited. First come, first serve. Please gather for the class 4:15 pm.

WEBSITE: <https://ocpl.libcal.com/event/13078567>

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>

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>

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/>

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 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/>

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/

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_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

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