

SAC COURSE DESCRIPTIONS



ART

ALL SACers:

3-D Collage: Students learn the art of combining different media to create 3 dimensional collage pieces.

Art Stars: A variety of accomplished and inspiring artists and cultures, both from history and current, will be explored (examples from past years Mary Casset, Miro, David Smith and Elizabeth Peyton etc). Students learn the artist's technique and create pieces of their own in that style.

Black and White: Create all things black & white! We will do this with drawing, ink and brush work and op-art patterns.

Ceramics: Students will hand build ceramic pieces in our professional studio where the pieces will be fired. Students will also glaze and accent their pieces for re-firing. The basics of wheel throwing may also be taught in this class.

Crafts: In this art class, students will use different materials to create crafty items. Past projects have included puzzles, frames, jewelry and boxes.

Creative Writing: In this class, students will use fun-filled exercises to spark their imaginations to write stories from the heart.

Decoupage: Through magazine clippings and specialty paper, students will create pieces for themselves and their home. Examples from previous summers include jewelry boxes, masks, picture frames and recycled decorative objects.

Drawing & Painting: With the guidance of an accomplished instructor and artist, students will learn the skill of drawing and painting with all forms of media from charcoal and pencil to water color and acrylic paints.

Green Art: We will create works of art using recycled containers, papers, candy wrappers, cardboard, boxes and more. Media will include collage, painting weaving and assemblage.

Jewelry/Beading: In this great class of jewelry making, students will make new pieces each week which range from earrings and anklets to hair extensions, belts and more.

Model Magic Fun: Create 3 D fun figures in dioramas from themes of your choosing.

Needlepoint: In this class we will use a variety of needlepoint stitches to create accessories and art pieces.

Origami: Learn the Japanese art of creating objects from paper. We will make animals, bowls, boats and much more. They are fun to make and very decorative pieces of art.

Painting with Paper: We will use decorative papers with patterns and textures to create beautiful images. Instead of paint, brushes & markers we use scissors & glue. Our paper "paintings" are filled with dimension and texture.

Papermaking: Students make various paper pulps and the use them to make items such as bookmarks and placemats. Students create their own designs to put on their papers. They finish their designs with a variety of media such as gel, metallic and glitter pens and colored pencils.

Poetry: Our poets will use games, poems, and fun-filled exercises to write poetry from the heart and imagination. This is for the student who loves the beauty and imagery of poems.

Pops & Tops: One of the hottest trends for hip teens! The little tops from soda cans and bottle caps will be fashioned into bracelets, necklaces, purses and other accessories. Fun and fabulous!

Pop up cards: Learn how to make great cards for every occasion. Our cards pop, slide and open up to grab your attention. We work in a step by step method so everyone finishes their card by the end of each class.

Puppetry: Create your own puppet characters using a variety of materials.

Scrapbooking: In this class, students will make beautiful and creative scrapbooks of their memories. We supply the tools, papers and binders and you supply the photos and keepsakes.

Sewing and Fiber Arts: In this class we will sew, design and make things from colored felts, yarns and beads. We will make items such as a beaded medicine pouch, a patchwork pillow and a teddy bear! Learn basic sewing and decorative techniques. Emphasis is on making original, personalized designs. And to have fun!

Water Color: Learn the basics of visual representation while exploring watercolor techniques, such as wet-on-wet, wet-on-dry, washes, glazing, etc. Subjects, ranging from still life and flower studies to cityscapes and landscapes, are painted from observation, as well as from imagination and photographs.

Yarn Craft – We will use beautiful yarns to wrap, crochet and weave fashion accessories and art pieces.

Zen-Doodling - is a fun new art form using repetitive patterns to create beautiful images. Easy to learn, campers will elevate everyday doodles into fantastic works of art using simple art supplies and creativity.

ADVANCED ART CLASSES (6th grade and up only)

Advanced Decoupage: Students will be using mod podge adhesive in a more expansive way to work in "reverse" on glass plates and vases, "altered" books with scraps and collage techniques and mini-sculptures for table and wall.

Accessory Design: Students will make a sketch book and design board and learn how to design accessories such as headbands, scarves and tote bags. We will focus on how to put ideas on paper and then take these ideas and turn them into beautiful wearable items.

Advanced Jewelry: Advanced students will learn several techniques to finish their own jewelry and accessories. We will wire wrap, knot, string multi stands, and create dangles, to add dimension to our designs.

Advanced Papermaking: Advanced students (students who have already made paper in previous summers) will embed or pulp paint. We will explore organic pulps using fresh flowers to make the pulp.

Advanced Water Color: This advanced class will go more deeply into drawing and composition. Students will work from still life and concentrate on using watercolor for the modeling and shadows of 3D objects. We will work on color-mixing for richer tones and values.

Black White and Grey: We will use inks, papers, charcoal pencils and sharpies but in addition, layer and cut to create dimensional aspects.

Paper Engineering: A step up from pop up cards, we will be making mechanical devices out of paper to create working gears to make things such as a “jack in the box”, etc.

Pastel Landscapes: This class is a creative adventure in becoming a "painter, not a photographer." Using landscape photographs of your choosing, you will be encouraged to draw/paint with freedom. Emphasis will be on color, light, and shape, thereby helping you to develop an amazing painting.

Prop Design: We will create the props for the SAC workshop production in this class using all sorts of materials such as cardboard, aluminum foil, tag board, etc.

Video: In this class students will be creating SAC commercials and/or public service announcements. Students must be willing to learn all aspects of videography including filming and editing. All students in this class must be here for the entire summer. This class is not for the actor. It is for the videographer.

Wheel Throwing: Learn the techniques to throwing, trimming, glazing and more. Enjoy creating beautiful and functional pottery.



DANCE:

Our dance program consists of Ballet, Hip Hop Jazz, Musical Theatre Jazz, Tap, and Yoga. We offer all levels of dance and encourage everyone to participate in some type of movement class.



THEATRE:

Musical Theatre Workshop: Be part of our workshop production of Grease, Bye Bye Birdie, Fiddler on the Roof, etc - musical to be decided. Rehearsals are 3 mornings a week and students will work with a Director, Musical Director and choreographer. In addition you may take the following classes:

On Cue: This advanced Musical Theatre class is for full summer campers only and meets 2 afternoons a week. It will be an integral part of our end of the summer Showcase. Campers must be entering 7th grade or higher and must have acting, singing and some dance experience.

Acting: Learn basic acting techniques including some scene study and cold readings.

Auditioning for Theatre, Film and TV: Refine your auditioning skills! In this class you will give mock auditions and learn the finer points to delivering an audition for all forms of performing media.

Dialect: Learn and practice many different accents people have all over the world so that you too can act with a Scottish or Italian accent.

Fractured Fairy Tales: In this class, you will rewrite fairytales and present them for other classmates. This class is great fun for both the writer and the actor.

Glee: Performers will sing fun pop and theater songs in harmony with some staging. We will work on group numbers and have auditions for soloists!

Improvisation/Acting Games: Have fun creating your own theatrical pieces through improvisation and games. You are given a suggestion and then you will take that idea and run with it using your imagination.

Makeup for Stage and Film: Learn the art of makeup design for the budding actor. This will be great fun and very messy. *If you have sensitive skin this is not the class for you.*

Monologues: In this class students will learn the finer points to delivering and choosing monologues, both dramatic and comedic.

Reporting: In this class students will learn how to deliver a news report. Picture yourself as an anchor person on the news and see what it is like to deliver a report or conduct an interview for a news program.

Scene Study: Learn the techniques for delivering an acting scene with 2 or more actors. All material will be age appropriate.

Song Writing: Come listen to pop songs and talk about what makes them great (or not so great!) We will learn about song forms, creative rhyming and write lyrics and melodies. We will also talk about how people become professional songwriters. No instrument experience necessary!

Stage Combat: Fight scenes on stage and in the movies are always choreographed. Learn the ins and outs of how to stage a fight scene – and no one will get hurt.

Theatre Games: This class will introduce acting games for small groups of campers. It is a wonderful class for those kids with little or no acting experience and for those who want to dabble in theatre without feeling “on the spot.”

Voice Study: Singers will learn about tone, musicality and breathing. Students may bring in sheet music for any songs they would like to work on or sing the songs provided in class.

MUSIC



Do not put that instrument in the closet all summer long! Sign up for Instrumental Ensemble and have a fun time making great music with your SAC friends. Advanced instrumentalists will be chosen for performance opportunities.

SWIM

Swim is available daily as an elective. We can only guarantee twice a week in order to assure that everyone has time in the pool. If you wish to swim more than twice a week please indicate this on the course offerings form and we will try to accommodate all requests.

GYMNASTICS

Come study with our fabulous gymnastics staff. We welcome beginners through advanced gymnasts and all equipment is available for use.