

Traveling Programs for Schools & Groups

Pop-Up Studio

Grades Pre-K – 12

MMoA educators help students make critical observations about artworks and the creative process and each student creates an artwork of his or her own. An artist, medium or theme is the focus of each program.

Grades Pre-K – 2

Art and the Five Senses: Art materials are tactile, edible, scented or all of the above!

Home-made Clay & Paints: Students create their own paint or clay using household ingredients.

Nature-made Art: Students use materials from nature and the natural elements to create artworks.

Weather & Art: Students explore the colors, shapes, and textures representative of each season.

Grades 2 & Up

Art Around the World: Students learn a traditional art form from across the globe.

Cartooning: Students develop characters and draw them in the traditional style using pen and paper.

Drawing & Painting: Fundamental skills and media are explored.

Graphic Novel (5 class minimum): Students develop a fiction or non-fiction story accompanied by comic-style drawing.

Master Artists: Students learn more about a famous artist by using his or her techniques or ideas.

Nature-made Art: Students use materials from nature and the natural elements to create artworks.

Print-making: Students learn how to design printing plates and to print multiple artworks from them.

Recycled Art: Students transform trash to treasure.

Sculpture: Students learn to conceive ideas and build in 3-D.

Scheduling

Class length: 1-hour. Topics can be explored over four to six weeks.

Preferred class size: 15 students. Up to 25 students possible with minimum 1 chaperone. Materials are provided.

Fee: \$125 per 1-hour program.



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Field Trips

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Development

Book a field trip, classroom visit, or professional development day with Mystic Museum of Art to inspire creativity, exercise visual literacy, and train skills required by the Common Core state standards.

About Us

Mystic Museum of Art was founded as an artist colony led by Charles H. Davis in 1913. Mystic was one of three Connecticut artist colonies formed at this time. The presence of Davis attracted other artists to Mystic and eventually Mystic Museum of Art was founded as a hub for their activities and community engagement. The Permanent Collection at MMoA tells the story of artists who traveled to Mystic and other Connecticut towns in the late 19th and early 20th centuries for inspiration. Our galleries feature a permanent collection of these locally-significant 20th century artists as well as changing exhibitions of regional contemporary artists.

Field Trips to MMoA

Grades Pre-K – 12

Field Trips involve collaborative discussions in MMoA's galleries and a related hands-on studio project. Students exercise Common Core speaking, listening, and writing skills using artwork as a catalyst. Writing activities are included in the gallery while the studio art project focuses on the idea of the written word and language.

Scheduling

Grades Pre-K - 1: 1.5 hour program, Fee: \$5 per student; \$50 minimum
Grades 2 - 12: 2 hour program, Fee: \$7 per student; \$100 minimum
Additional \$25 custodial fee for groups staying for lunch.

Customized Group Programs

Work with our Education Department to tailor a visual arts program to your curricular focus.

Scheduling Your Visit to MMoA

All guided group and school visits must be scheduled in advance. If you do not receive written confirmation of your visit two weeks before your program, please contact the Education Department. To reschedule or cancel a staff-guided visit, a minimum of two weekdays notice is required. To schedule a visit call 860.536.7601 ext. 209 or email education@mysticmuseumofart.org.

Cancellation Policy

Groups cancelling with less than 24 hours notice may be required to pay the minimum booking fee of \$100. If your school has a delay, dismisses early or closes due to inclement weather, your visit is cancelled automatically at no charge. The courtesy of a call is requested.

Group Visit Hours

Monday – Friday, 9:00am – 2:30pm

Public Hours

Daily, 11am – 5pm, May 1 – December 31

Tuesday through Saturday, 11am – 5pm, January 1 – April 30

Closed on major holidays and during exhibition installations.

Class Size Limits

60 students, with up to 10 additional chaperones.

Self-Guided Visits

We welcome self-guided groups to Mystic Museum of Art with the appropriate number of chaperones. Call the Education Department to schedule your visit. Review our “Planning Your Visit” packet online before arriving to ensure the quality of your visit.

Accessibility

MMoA's galleries and studio are accessible to visitors with mobility limitations. Persons entering in wheel chairs should enter the studio entrance or galleries from their front doors respectively.

Chaperone Requirements

Grades 2 – 12: one adult per 15 students

Grades Pre-K, K, 1: one adult per 7 students

See the “Planning Your Visit” packet on our web site for details.

Transportation and Parking

Mystic Museum of Art's parking lot is bus accessible and free for program participants. Visitors must provide their own transportation unless arranged with MMoA Education Staff. See the “Planning Your Visit” packet on our web site for important details.

Teacher Programs

Exhibition Previews

View current exhibitions before you visit with students. Attend MMoA's exhibition openings throughout the year and enjoy refreshments and good company. Admission is free. For a schedule of upcoming events, visit mysticarts.org/learn/educators.

Professional Development

Diversify your teaching strategies and integrate artworks into your curriculum. Professional Development days feature interactive and participatory workshops with gallery activities, handouts, and practical “take-home” lessons. A five-person minimum is required. Choose from the topics below or call the Education Department to discuss customized options.

Art and the Common Core: Incorporate English Language Arts (ELA) skill-building into your art curriculum or energize your ELA lessons with art as your primary text. Tools and questioning strategies for artworks and various writing prompts will be modeled. Each exercise is correlated to grade-specific skills required by Common Core standards for ELA.

Studio Art Retreat: Want to focus in depth on the creative process? Spend the day with our studio faculty, learning a new process, medium, or skill. These sessions are customized to your interests and needs and conclude with critique and reflection for classroom applications. Teachers bring their own supplies or else an additional supply fee applies.

Scheduling

Half day (up to 3 hours), Fee: \$35 / teacher, \$200 minimum

Full day (3.5 – 5 hours), Fee: \$60 / teacher, \$250 minimum

Optional Lunch: Add \$15 to the registration fee for a boxed lunch.

Booking a Program

To schedule a program contact the Education Department a month in advance: by phone at 860.536.7601 ext. 209 or email at education@mysticmuseumofart.org.

MMoAGrants

Due to generous donors, groups from select towns may participate in MMoA programs at a reduced charge, including the cost of transportation. Inquire when scheduling.