

Welcome to the Young At Art Institute where our art studio curriculum, delivered by professional artists, introduces the elements of design through an interdisciplinary approach to learning. At the YAA Institute, age appropriate, art-making experiences for children, teens and adults are interwoven with art appreciation, history and culture for an exceptional arts experience.

Here are answers to some of the most frequently asked questions.

Class Options & Curriculum

What are my options for classes this year?

The Young At Art Institute offers classes in Mixed Media, Drawing, Painting & Printmaking, Ceramics & Sculpture, Homeschool Art, Darkroom & Digital Photo, Digital Art & Film. The option you choose for yourself or your child will depend largely on interest and age group. Please see our *2016-17 Classes & Camps* brochure for detailed descriptions of classes, schedule and fees.

Is the same curriculum taught in each session for the same media?

Our curriculum changes, with a focus on new artistic trends, methods, artists and projects during each session. It's possible to take classes in the same media for several years; in fact, many YAA Institute students have done so. The other option is to approach Institute classes as mini tracks, experiencing five different media, one in each of our five sessions offered throughout the year.

Art Studio Class Schedule & Locations

Each class needs a minimum enrollment of 5 students for the class to run. We encourage pre-registration for all classes.

What are the dates of the 8-week sessions?

Session 1: August 29-October 22, 2016

Student Showcase: October 20, 5:45p-6:45p

Session 2: October 24- December 17, 2016

No class November 24

Student Showcase: December 15, 5:45p-6:45p

Session 3: January 9- March 4, 2017

Student Showcase: March 2, 5:45p-6:45p

Session 4: March 13-May 13, 2017

No class April 10-14

Student Showcase: May 11, 5:45-6:45p

***Session 5:** June 19-Aug 13, 2017

Student Showcase: August 11, 5:45-6:45p

**schedule not included, please check website in April*

Where do classes take place?

Art classes take place primarily in the YAA Institute Studios. However, there may be times when students go into the exhibit galleries, workshop rooms or outdoor patios to complete their projects. Students in adult classes may go on art field trips depending on the class in which they are enrolled.

Ages & Tuition Fees

What is the age limit for classes?

Art studio classes are offered for children, teens and adults. The youngest a child can be is 3 years old. Classes are grouped by age and based on a child's developmental level. Classes are divided into ages 3-5, 5-7, 8-12, 10-12, teens and adults over the age of 18.

My children are 5 and 9-years-old. Can they take a class together?

For the benefit of the student's experience, they are grouped by age based on their developmental level and provided with curriculum, instruction and materials that are age appropriate. Children who are 5 and 9 are not generally placed in a class together.

How much is tuition for classes?

Children

\$240 per session for Members

\$265 per session for Non-Members

*materials included

Adults

\$250 per session for Members

\$275 per session for Non-members

\$60 Materials Fee Includes Florida State Tax

Tuition subject to change

Member & Family Discounts

Does the museum offer discounts?

Yes, members receive discounts on classes and camps. There is also a 10% sibling/ family discount for when more than one family member takes a class within the same session. Pro-rated classes are not eligible for additional discounts.

Late Registration, Absence & Refund Policies

The session is 8 weeks long. What if a student can't make all 8 classes?

Projects and themes carry over for the entire 8-week period. Outcomes are also based on students attending the entire time. It is not recommended that students start or leave mid-session. If a student is unable to make an 8-week commitment, then perhaps a YAA One-Day Art Camp or Art Workshop would better suit their schedule. However, we do accept late

registrations. (Please check with Visitor Services for the last date to register for the current session.) Instructors will make every effort to accommodate students who have enrolled after the first day of class. Projects completed prior to the late start date will not be included due to time constraints.

Do you pro-rate classes for absences, late registration or no shows?

Classes are not pro-rated for absences, late registration or no shows. Instructors will try their best to catch students up. However, depending on the difficulty of the project and the amount of absences all projects may not be able to be completed with the student. Please let the teacher or the visitor services office know if you are going to be absent or cannot continue the session.

Does the YAA Institute offer make-up classes or refunds?

If a student misses a class, they can attend another class of the same subject matter and age group within the same week. If another class is not offered during the week, then the student can take advantage of the make-up class. YAA offers make-up classes as a courtesy and cannot offer make-ups for more than one class. There are no refunds, transfers or make-ups for absence, withdrawals, no-shows, or dismissals. If a class is canceled by YAA due to weather or other emergencies, then YAA will schedule a make-up class.

Transfers Between Sessions

Can I transfer from one session to another?

All transfer requests must be submitted in writing two weeks prior to start date. Transfer approval requires a \$25 fee per student and will be made depending on space availability. Only one transfer request per family will be accepted. Payments are not transferable to anyone outside of the immediate family. Please submit transfer requests to Visitor Services in person or by emailing ArtInstitute@youngartmuseum.org.

Drop-Off & Pick-Up Procedures

What are the drop off and pickup procedures?

Parents should park in a designated parking space, walk their children into the museum and sign them in, in the Institute hallway. Instructors will pick up their students in the YAA Institute hallway a few minutes before class begins. If students are running late, parents should sign them in and walk students directly to class. Please do not drop off students in the parking lot or at the front desk. Teens ages 14-17 can sign themselves in/out if their parent has initialed the agreement to do so.

What is a security code?

A security code is a word or short phrase that you provide on your registration form. Please make sure it is something you can remember. If you would like to add someone to your authorized pick-up list we will ask you your security code to verify your identity. Please do not share this code with others.

Communication With Staff

How can I reach my child's instructor?

To reach staff, please call the museum's main extension (954) 424-5031. The receptionist will contact the appropriate museum staff member. You may also talk with your child's instructor before or after class. You can also email the Institute Manager, Marie Berlin, mberlin@youngartmuseum.org.

Artwork and Session Showcase

All artwork except for the artwork being showcased for the exhibition will be returned at the end of the session. Students create 3-4 projects per session. One piece will be selected for display for the End of Session Showcase. The showcase is installed in the museum for 8 weeks after the session ends. At the end of the 8 weeks, parents are welcome to pick up the piece exhibited.

Showcase is held at the end of each session normally on Thursday evenings, but ask teachers for the exact date. Family members are welcome to come and see the exhibit of the student artwork. There is also a presentation of certificates for each student.

Proper Clothing, Personal Items & Extra Materials

What type of clothes should be worn?

Clothes that you consider for "messy use" or "play" are best. We provide aprons for art activities, but acrylic paint and other art materials may still get on clothes and stain. Short sleeve t-shirts are preferred (long sleeves get wet or drag through art projects). We recommend sneakers or closed-toe shoes. No flip flops or wheelies are permitted.

What should my child bring to class?

All art materials are provided by YAA. If instructors require students to bring materials from home, parents will be notified in advance.

What shouldn't my child bring to class?

- Toys and Electronic Items (videogames, iPads, iPads, tablets etc.)
- Cell Phones. If you require your child to keep a cell phone, it is imperative that they ask their teacher's permission prior to calling home.
- Money

When children bring their own items to class they may get damaged or lost or may become a distraction for them and other students. Young At Art Museum will not be responsible for lost or damaged personal items.

What should adults bring to class?

The materials fee covers all tools and supplies for that session. However, adults may bring their own tools and additional supplies for their personal use. Additional materials for projects outside the set curriculum may be purchased through the YAA Institute. Information is available upon request.

Use of studios outside of class

Adults and teens who are registered in an Art Institute program are welcome to use the studios when pre-arranged with their instructor. Bags of clay may be purchased from the Institute. There is a firing fee and two week return on fired pieces.

If you have additional questions, please contact the museum at (954) 424 -5031.

ArtInstitute@youngartmuseum.org