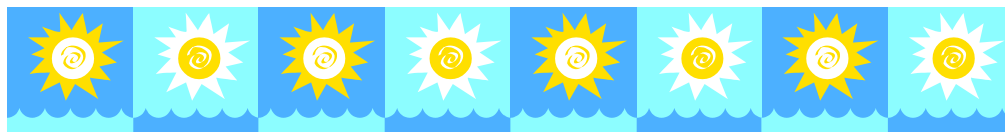


# WHO'S WHO AT *Kinder Works* DIGITAL/ARTS SUMMER CAMP



## **DIGital/Arts Camp Director:**

**MRS. JEN DELLA PORTA** is our **Camp Director**. (**MRS. KRUG** will be out on her Maternity Leave! She had a beautiful son...James!) Mrs. Della Porta joined the Kinder Works staff in **2004** at our Doylestown location where she taught for 8 years, followed by 4 years in our Limerick location. She has experience as a Kindergarten Teacher, Preschool Teacher, Curriculum Specialist, Assistant Director and as a Director. Jen has her bachelor's degree in Elementary and Early Childhood Education from King's College in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, and is a Pennsylvania Department of Education Certified Teacher.

## **DIGital/Arts Camp Counselors:**

**MRS. JOELLE OSWALD** returns as **morning Camp Counselor of the STARLINGS** (Group 1). Joelle has her bachelor's degree in Elementary Education with a minor in Early Childhood Education from Kutztown University, and is a Pennsylvania Department of Education Certified Teacher. Mrs. Oswald came to us in **2009** with more than 9 years of experience teaching young children at a Montessori School and a Child Development Center. She is the mother of three children; her youngest attends Kinder Works. Joelle overlaps with Alexa...

**MS. ALEXA WISE** is our **afternoon Camp Counselor of the STARLINGS**. Alexa attended West Chester University and Penn State University, where she is finishing her degree in Early Childhood Education. She came to us in **2017** with 4 years of experience as an Assistant Teacher and Nanny. She is the mother of one son.

**MRS. LAURA SUSSMAN** is our **Camp Counselor of the ALL STARS** (Group 2). Mrs. Sussman has her bachelor's degree in Early Childhood and Elementary Education from Cabrini University. She received her Teacher Certification from the Pennsylvania Department of Education. She came to us in **2017** with 8 years of experience teaching young children. She is the mother of two children, both attending Kinder Works.

**MRS. AMY REICHERT** is our **Camp Counselor of the STAR KATZ** (Group 3). Mrs. Reichert received her bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education and Special Education from Gwynedd Mercy University, summa cum laude. She is a Pennsylvania Department of Education Certified Teacher. Ms. Reichert had experience teaching in a Kindergarten classroom as well as in a Gifted Support classroom for grades K-5 before joining our teaching team in **2018**.

**MRS. STEPHANIE VIA** returns as our **Camp Counselor of the SUPER STARS** (Group 4). Mrs. Stephanie Via came to us in **2009** with four years of experience working with young children as a Lead Toddler Teacher in a PA Childcare Center. Stephanie left us to have her second child, and has subsequently returned to us; she is now the mother of 2 children, the youngest of which attends Kinder Works.

## **DIGital/Arts Camp Specialists:**

**MS. JENNA HERMANY** is our **ART STUDIO Specialist**. Jenna has her BS in Art Education from Kutztown University, and her Master of Arts in Art Therapy from Cedar Crest College. She came to us in 2018 with over 6 years teaching experience with children ages preschool through 12<sup>th</sup> grade in both public and private schools. She loves arts and crafts of all sorts, but especially Fibers!

**MS. CHELSEA ALLEN** is our **SETS & STAGING Specialist**. Chelsea has her Bachelor of Fine Arts from Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts. Her concentration was in painting with a minor in sculpture. She has been at Painting with a Twist since 2014; she spent 2 years as Arts Curator and Exhibition Coordinator at Steel City and she has taught art to children in various age groups specializing in crafts. She has joined us for the 2018 summer season.

**MR. GREGORY DIPPPELL** returns as our **PERFORMING ARTS Specialist**. Greg received his bachelor's degree in Music Education, with honors, from Keene State College, and his Master of Arts in Music, with honors, from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. He has played cello for the Philly Pops and performed at Carnegie Hall, and is proficient on a number of instruments: violin, viola, cello, bass, trumpet, trombone, euphonium, guitar, and piano. He has been providing private music instruction since 2005, he was a sports and tennis instructor at a summer camp in New York for 3 years, and he has 6 years of experience as a lifeguard. He is a Pennsylvania Certified Teacher, and has taught Preschool, Kindergarten, Elementary, High School, and University students in Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, and also in Scotland! Mr. Dippell joined Kinder Works as our Gym & Music Specialist during 2012-13 school year.

**MR. JOSHUA MECK** is our **GAME ROOM Specialist**. Josh has his BA in Early Childhood Education from Bloomsburg University. He is a Pennsylvania Dept. of Education Certified Teacher for Preschool-4<sup>th</sup> Grade. He comes to us with 2 years of experience teaching in public schools, and he is also a varsity football coach. He is joining us for the 2018 summer season.

**MR. MICHAEL MCCOMAS** is our videographer. Mike graduated from LaSalle University Suma Cum Laude in Computer Science with a minor in Graphic Design. Working on and with computers is both his vocation and his passion. Michael has been creating short films since he was a teenager; his projects have gotten larger as he has gotten older. He brings with him not only experience, but his cameras, microphones, tripods and other stuff for our amusement and amazement. He is looking forward to shooting and editing our movies this summer.

