

## OUR 2019 ART STUDIO THEMES:

### Our Art Studio includes:

**mixed media techniques/texture, sculpture (including clay), printing, photography, collage, studying elements of art, painting with & without a brush (acrylics), pastels, architecture, Pop Art, watercolor techniques, fiber art, installations, & inspiration from the Masters...  
Each week, we will have a theme as well as offering many visual artwork options!**

#### **WEEK 1: \_\_\_\_\_ ~Time Travel~ \_\_\_\_\_ \***

You don't need a flux capacitor or a TARDIS to travel back & forth in time this week. We will be meeting artists from the past & future, by way of their creations and inspirations, and our own imaginations! First, we will visit the art of prehistoric people, and then we can create some cave paintings of our own. Next, we shall visit ancient Egypt, where we can learn from the Scribes how to write our names using hieroglyphics, an amazing art-writing form. After that, we will fast forward, back to the future to create a futuristic landscape!

#### **WEEK 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Magical Creatures & Beasts! \_\_\_\_\_ \***

Do you ever dream of having a pet dragon or a pet unicorn? During this magical week, build your very own magical animal puppet or sculpture that you can keep as a pet! Have you ever wanted to collect fairies like Lady Cottingham? Or see magical beasts like centaurs and griffins? Find and collect fantastic beasts from the depictions of artists and from your own imaginations, and create a collage landscape with these creatures in it!

#### **WEEK 3: \_\_\_\_\_ ~Masters of the Art Universe~ \_\_\_\_\_ \***

Experience the magnificent masters, whose work paved the way for art today. Leonardo, Michelangelo, Raphael, and Donatello were ground breaking artists before they were known as Ninja Turtles! Together we'll channel the faces of Picasso, brush strokes of Van Gogh, and lily pads of Monet. Female artists were also trailblazers: Mary Cassatt's figures, Georgia O'Keefe's landscapes and flowers, and Lee Krasner's paintings which highly influenced her husband Jackson Pollock.

#### **WEEK 4: \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*Superheroes\*\* \_\_\_\_\_ \***

If you could have a superpower what would it be? What would your super suit look like? What would your superhero name be? During this week, you can create like *Marvel* does, and draw your very own superhero self-portrait. With the help from your trusty sidekick, which you can also create, you can make a comic strip based on your superhero self. You can also design and make your very own super suit!

#### **WEEK 5: \_\_\_\_\_ Pop Art \_\_\_\_\_ \***

Dive into the world of Pop Art: the movement that challenged our traditional sense of art. We will be inspired by the BANG, BOOM, and POP of Roy Lichtenstein's work, the free-flowing figures from Keith Haring, and the psychedelic art of Marta Minujin. You've seen Warhol's portraits, right? What celebs would he capture in his art today? We'll also check out the larger than life sculptures from Claus Oldenburg and Coosie van Bruggen and make some awesome sculptures of our own! It's all about bold color and popular kid culture!

**WEEK 6: \_\_\_\_\_ Happy Hauntings! \_\_\_\_\_ \***

Beware the things that go bump in the night! There are creepy crawlers and creatures of the dark, both real and surreal, as well as nocturnal animals like bats and cats. We'll create our own versions of Edvard Munch's "The Scream", and we'll get inspired by the poetic yet slightly bizarre creatures in the art works of Joan Miro. How about an origami *Dracula* or owl? There will be ghouls and goblins made of paper-mache, haunted houses in oil pastel as well as spiders galore... or should we say "GHOUL-ore"?

**WEEK 7: \_\_\_\_\_ Zen-sational Art \_\_\_\_\_ \***

Get in touch with your inner self as we create art inspired by the Asian culture. Let's draw structured yet calming patterns using the *Zentangle* method, to bring a little bit of relaxation to our busy summer lives. We can use various media to make our own three-dimensional Japanese Zen gardens, and we can use watercolors to paint koi fish, which symbolize good luck in Chinese culture. Yin & Yang symbols mean that all things exist as inseparable and contradictory opposites. How would you design your own Yin & Yang symbol?

**WEEK 8: \_\_\_\_\_ ~Possibilities with Printmaking~ \_\_\_\_\_ \***

Printmaking is one of the most fascinating types of art and so many different things can be used to create a print. Discover this art-form, and create prints with stamps, fingers, forks and all sorts of found objects, both man-made & natural. Then, learn how to make a beautiful silk-screen print. Next, you are ready to make a mixed-media print using several different types of printing techniques!

**WEEK 9: \_\_\_\_\_ Mexico, (way more than Coco!) \_\_\_\_\_ \***

Take a visual tour of Mexico from masters like Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera to modern day artists like the humorous Gabriel Orozco and Damian Ortega with his tortilla sculptures! We will touch on the folk art of Dia de los Muertos, Michoacan bronze works, and the beautiful handwoven rugs of Oaxaca.

**WEEK 10: \_\_\_\_\_ Nature Unleashed! \_\_\_\_\_ \***

Let's end this summer by using things we find outdoors to create awesome projects inspired by nature. We can make textured nature weavings and use clay from the earth to make sculptures or impressions. Did you know you can make stains & prints from crushed flowers? We'll also get to know some artists, like Georgia Okeefe, or those who painted 'en plein air', and learn how to paint in their styles.