

# ART CENTER EAST

# SUMMER 2023 SCHEDULE

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# Art Center East

A member-based arts services 501(c)3 non-profit organization located in La Grande, Oregon, in a historic Carnegie Library. Art Center East inspires, enriches, and interlaces Eastern Oregon communities through creative expression.



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#### **GREETINGS FROM THE ART CENTER EAST STAFF!**

Greetings and happy summer to all of you!

We hope to see you in ACE classes this summer and hope you'll visit our galleries to view the amazing exhibits on display.

Many of our classes are FREE for kids and teens, and visiting our galleries is always free!

We hope you have a wonderful, enjoyable, art and fun-filled summer. Looking forward to seeing you soon.

Best wishes, Darcy, Jenn, Sophia, and Moira

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#### **ACE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

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Interested in volunteering with Art Center East? Please email us at info@artcentereast.org



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# Reminder

Keep an eye on the **ACE** online calendar and our **social media** all summer long for **new pop-up** classes that will be added every month!

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#### ALL SUMMER | POP-UP CLASSES

Keep an eye on the ACE online calendar and our social media all summer long for new pop-up classes that will be added every month!

#### SELECT SATURDAYS | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM ART AT THE MARKET

Stop by the Art Center East booth at the La Grande Farmers Market on select Saturdays for a fun youth art activity!

#### JUNE 18 | 9:00 - 10:30 AM NEW MOON YOGA (AGE 18+)

Join Teaching Artist Joy Grassley for the first New Moon Yoga class of the summer at Riverside Park! Learn about the magic of the New Moon through yoga, journaling, and intention-setting.

#### JUNE 30 | 6:00 - 8:00 PM CLOSING RECEPTION FOR JESSICA PLATTNER AND DON GRAY EXHIBITS

Join us in the ACE Galleries for the free closing reception of *The Other Life* (paintings by Jessica Plattner) and *Cross-Section* (paintings by Don Gray).

#### JULY 1 | 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM FINAL DAY TO VIEW THE OTHER LIFE AND CROSS-SECTION

This is the final day to view *The Other Life* by Jessica Plattner and *Cross-Section* by Don Gray.

#### JULY 1 | FALL QUARTER TEACHING PROPOSAL DEADLINE

Interested in teaching with ACE? Submit a class proposal by 11:59 pm on July 1 to share your skills and passion with the community this upcoming Fall Quarter (September, October, November). Learn more about teaching with ACE on page 24 ("Artist Opportunities").

#### JULY 7 | 6:00 - 8:00 PM OPENING RECEPTION FOR NEW WORKS BY NATHAN PROUTY AND LOW TIDE BY DOUG **ANDERSON**

Join us in the ACE Galleries for the free opening reception for *New Works* by Nathan Prouty and *Low Tide* by Doug Anderson. The exhibits will be on display through September 2.

#### JULY 8 | 7:00 - 9:00 PM WILD SCHOOL FOR ADULTS: BAT NIGHT OUT (AGE 21+)

Join Teaching Artists Meghan and Amanda at Pete's Pond in La Grande for "Bat Night Out": a fundraiser for the Wild Preschool, Wild School, and Teen Wild School programs!

#### AUGUST 25 | 6:00 - 9:00 PM LUSH CANVAS: A NIGHT WITH O'KEEFFE (AGE 21+)

Paint white flowers in the style of Georgia O'Keeffe! No experience necessary. Teaching Artist Tess Cahill will teach you a variety of techniques and you can enjoy a complimentary beverage at the same time.

This Class/Events Schedule was published May 21, 2023. Additional classes and events may be added throughout the quarter. Find updated information via our website (artcentereast.org/calendar), weekly e-newsletter (artcentereast.org/our-story/newsletter), Instagram (@artcenereast), and Facebook (Art Center East).

# ART CENTER EAST GIFT GALLERY



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handmade goods by more than 75 local, regional, and international artists: greeting cards, original paintings, prints, blown and fused glass pieces, jewelry, ceramics, textiles and much more. The ACE Gift Gallery also carries a selection of curated Take & Make Art Kits. There is something for everyone and new inventory arrives monthly!

The Art Center East Gift Gallery offers a curated selection of fine art and functional

The Gift Gallery is ACE's hub of information sharing and community engagement. While visiting the ACE Gift Gallery, staff can help you register for ACE classes, answer questions, and by request, give a tour of the building.

Thinking about becoming a member? ACE staff can help with that, too! Choose a limited edition Annual Membership Print with the purchase of a new or renewing membership (Household Membership tier or higher). Peruse the limited edition Annual Membership Print collection in person or online. ACE members (Wise Supporters & Essential Members tier or higher) receive at least 10% off Gift Gallery purchases.

All ACE Gift Gallery sales benefit the artist as well as Art Center East, strengthening the role of art and working artists in our rural community.

The ACE Gift Gallery is open Wednesday-Friday from 12:00 - 5:00 pm and Saturdays from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. The Gift Gallery is also open during all exhibit receptions and public events held in the ACE building. The Gift Gallery can also be viewed online thanks to a partnership with John J. Howard Real Estate in La Grande. Shop online Gift Gallery items at artcentereast.org/gift-gallery-shop

#### Visit the Art-o-Mat at Art Center East!

Art-o-mats are retired cigarette vending machines that have been converted to vend small works of handmade art!

Come in and purchase one-of-a-kind art pieces from the Art-o-mat, located inside the ACE Gift Gallery. Each piece of handmade art is only \$5.00! Start your collection today.

Learn more about the Art-o-mat® concept at artomat.org

Gift Gallery hours: Wednesday - Friday 12:00 - 5:00 pm Saturdays 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

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#### PRIVATE GROUP CLASSES WITH ACE

The arts bring people together in fun ways! Gather together a group of your friends/family or a work team, and contact ACE.

Tell us your group's interests, budget, and schedule by filling out the online form at artcentereast.org/learn/team-building. We'll work with you to select a teaching artist and art medium, creating a wonderful, memorable experience for you and your group or team!

**ART MEDIUMS INCLUDE:** ceramics, acrylic paint, watercolor, beaded jewelry, block printing, screen printing, sewing, quilting, baking, writing, yoga, and others.

#### **ATTENTION: ARTISTS!**

Are you interested in teaching private groups? Art Center East would like to help you share your skills and expertise with the community! We're always looking to expand our Private Group Artists roster.

If you're interested in teaching private groups with ACE, or have questions about the process, please contact ACE Programs Coordinator Sophia Aimone at

programscoordinator@artcentereast.org.

### LEARN MORE ABOUT



PRIVATE GROUP LESSONS



artcentereast.org/learn/team-building

# JUNE

#### Wild School (Age 6-12) June 10 from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

**Cost: Free** 

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Students create nature-based art using a variety of

mediums, engage in hands-on science, and explore the

outdoors at Pete's Pond. Each week brings a different

and Indigenous art. Students gain knowledge of and

as learning art skills and making new friends. Parents

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Off-Site: Pete's Pond, a Blue Mountains Conservancy

property, is located at 913 South Miller Drive in La

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Teen Wild School (Age 12-16)

June 10 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm

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butterfly migration, wild turkeys, ghost animals,

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children and their caregivers to connect with nature appreciation for the natural world around them as well and friends by engaging in hands-on earth science projects, and creating nature-based art. Each class begins with songs and parachute time, followed by reading a picture book based on the theme of the day, **Teaching Artists:** Meghan Ballard and Amanda Welch playing an earth science-based game or experiment creating nature-based art, and exploration. Themes vary and include shapes in nature, what lives in a tree, and how seeds grow. A parent or guardian must stay with their child for the duration of the class.

Teaching Artist: Meghan Ballard

Off-Site: Pete's Pond, a Blue Mountains Conservancy

Paint abstract portraits in the style of Pablo Picasso

Cost: \$45 Member / \$55 Non-Member

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Wild Preschool (Age 0-6) June 16 from 10:00 - 11:00 am

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property, is located at 913 South Miller Drive in La Grande

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#### Lush Canvas: A Night with Picasso (Age 21+) June 16 from 6:00 - 9:00 pm

using a variety of techniques! No experience necessary. You'll paint in acrylic alongside Teaching Artist Tess and enjoy a complimentary beverage while **Teaching Artists:** Meghan Ballard and Amanda Welch meeting new people and exploring painting in a fun, no-pressure environment. At the end of the evening, you'll take your amazing painting home. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door. **Teaching Artist:** Tess Cahill

June 17 from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

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Teaching Artists: Meghan Ballard and Amanda Welch **Cost: Free** 

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#### Teen Wild School (Age 12-16) June 17 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm

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#### **ARTS CLASSES -**

#### Intro. to Wheel Throwing (Age 16+)

June 7, 14, 21, & July 12 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm Experience the fun of throwing on a potter's wheel in this thorough introductory class! You'll learn the skills necessary to throw cylinders, cups, bowls, and more. Teaching Artist Maarten will guide you through the process of throwing, shaping, and trimming pots, as well as basic surface decoration and glazing techniques. This class is designed for students with little or no experience on the potter's wheel. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street

Teaching Artist: Maarten Tromp van Holst Cost: \$130 Member / \$156 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

#### Wild Preschool (Age 0-6) June 9 from 10:00 - 11:00 am

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**Teaching Artist:** Meghan Ballard **Cost: Free** 

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#### **GALLERIES**

#### MAIN GALLERY

**Free Admission** 

The Other Life by Jessica Plattner May 5 - July 1, 2023

The Other Life continues in the Main Gallery. The exhibit is on display May 5 - July 1, with a free closing reception on Friday, June 30 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. ACE galleries are open to the public and admission is always free.

#### ORLASKE GALLERY

**Free Admission** 

**Cross-section: Paintings by Don Gray** May 5 - July 1, 2023

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REGISTER ONLINE AT ARTCENTEREAST.ORG OR CALL 541-624-2800

Register between May 21 - June 11 for any Summer Quarter class and receive \$5 off your registration fee!

\$5 OFF! COUPON CODE: ARTFULLSUMMER





Cost: Free

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#### LITERARY ARTS —

#### Little Pinecones Book Club (Age 0-5) June 7 from 10:00 - 11:00 am

Join Meghan in the ACE galleries for monthly storytime! Children will listen to Meghan read, then gather downstairs in Studio A to do an art-making activity related to the story. Kids will leave with new friendships, art skills, and a new-found or renewed curiosity about books and reading! A parent or guardian must stay with their child for the duration of the class. Please enter through the Penn Avenue

Teaching Artist: Meghan Ballard **Cost: Free** 

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#### Pinecones Book Club (Age 6-8) June 23 from 10:00 - 11:00 am

Join Stefanie for story time, followed by handson tinkering and learning activities. Students will participate in a picture book read-aloud and then have time to explore the book's theme with handson STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) activities. Children learn best through hands-on exploration and play, and this in conjunction with literacy is a fantastic way to "spark" their interest in real-world concepts and learning. Students will leave with new friends, sparked curiosity and joy, and a deeper excitement for reading and

learning. Parents or guardians are welcome, but not required, to stay with their child for the duration of the class. All supplies included. Please enter through the Penn Avenue door.

**Teaching Artist:** Stefanie Holloway

**Cost: Free** 

Free classes made possible through the ACE Youth Arts Learning Fund with generous support from the foundations and organizations listed on page 32. This class is a partnership program between Art Center East and Greater Oregon STEM Hub.

#### Little Pine Trees Book Club (Age 9-11) June 30 from 10:00 - 11:00 am

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#### **WELLNESS CLASSES -**

Beginner's Astrology: Zodiac, Planets, & Birth Charts (Age 12+)

June 4 from 12:00 - 3:00 pm

Curious about astrology? Interested in how the ancient myths of the cosmos relate to your own life story? This fun class is perfect for you! Students will explore the twelve zodiac signs in Western astrology and their relationship to the planets, learning the basics of how to read an astrological birth chart. Students will leave class with their unique birth chart in hand, the knowledge and skills needed to interpret other charts, and the basic tools with which to grow their astrology practice. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

**Teaching Artist:** Jessica Holmes Cost: \$35 Member / \$42 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

#### **Smoke Cleansing Bundles (Age 18+)** June 6 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Curious about smoke cleansing? Learn about this ancient practice and make your own smoke cleansing bundles in this fascinating class! Working with Teaching Artist Darcy, you'll learn about trees, shrubs, herbs, and other plants used in smoke cleansing. The natural materials supplied in this class were harvested in our region. You'll also explore important aspects of smoke cleansing and learn why the practice is energetically and scientifically sound. You'll leave class with five beautiful blend bundles that will dry at home for three weeks before you light them. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

Teaching Artist: Darcy Dolge

Cost: \$55 Member / \$66 Non-Member

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# YOUTH ARTS LEARNING FUND

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ACE's Youth Arts Learning Fund provides youth up to age 18 with free or reduced-cost (50% off) arts experiences such as ACE classes, take-home arts learning kits, music ensembles, and more. Art Center East passionately supports children and teens exploring the arts, and the organization believes that fostering a love of the arts helps give youth creative joy and the confidence and skills to invest back into their communities in the future.

New Moon Yoga (Age 18+) June 18 from 9:00 - 10:30 am

(Youth Scholarships Available)

Learn about the magic of the New Moon through yoga, journaling, and intention setting. This class, open to all levels, will help you connect with your body and your intuition through a gentle yoga flow. You'll gain basic knowledge about how to set intentions with the New Moon. Connecting with your intuition can help you manifest your best life. Each student should bring a notebook and writing utensils. If you have your own yoga mat, please bring it. Teaching Artist Joy will have extra mats available.

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**Teaching Artist:** Joy Grassley

Location: Riverside Park, 3501 North Spruce Street in La Grande

Cost: \$15 Member / \$18 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

#### Nine-Chakra Crystal Collection (Age 18+) June 20 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Learn about crystals, stones, and chakras in this great introductory class! You'll learn about chakras and their crystal/stone correlations from Teaching Artist Darcy, exploring seven chakras plus the soul and earth star chakras. From three different options for each chakra, you'll pick nine that resonate the most with you. You'll take home your nine-chakra collection of tumbled and raw crystals/stones in an attractive glass bottle with a cork stopper. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

Teaching Artist: Darcy Dolge Cost: \$60 Member / \$72 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)





#### REGISTER EARLY!

Please register for classes at least 48 hours **before the start date** so that we know class enrollment meets or exceeds the required minimum of three (3) students. We need to give our Teaching Artists notice if their class is canceled!

Class registration remains open until the class starts unless the minimum is not met at least 48 before the start date.

Register online at artcentereast.org or call ACE at 541-624-2800 during business hours Wednesday - Friday 12:00 - 5:00 p.m. and Saturdays 10:00 am - 2:00 pm



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# **ARTISTS IN RURAL SCHOOLS**

K-12 students + Art = Fun learning!

K-12 teachers, school administrators, and PTO/PTA groups in Eastern Oregon:

> bring a teaching artist to your summer camp, outdoor school, or summer activities group!

Art Center East's Artists in Rural Schools (AiRS) Program increases access to arts education for K-12 students across ten counties in Eastern Oregon. Experienced artist-educators from a variety of artistic disciplines - (from the visual arts to music, literature, theater, and dance) teach students for 1-3 weeks.

Visit artcentereast.org/learn/artists-in-rural-schools/educatororganizer-hub to learn more about the program, see our Artist Roster, and book a residency!

ACE's AiRS Program has served schools throughout the Eastern Oregon region for more than 35 years.

For more information, contact ACE's Outreach Coordinator at outreach@artcentereast.org.

The AiRS Program serves the following counties: Baker, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Malheur, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, and Wheeler.

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# **JUNE**



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# TAKE & MAKE ART KIT **HIGHLIGHTS**

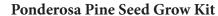
Purchase kits at Art Center East or online! 1006 Penn Avenue, La Grande, OR

Wednesday - Friday from 12:00 - 5:00 pm Saturday from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

artcentereast.org/learn/classes/take-make-art-kits







This fascinating kit, with its enchanting dinosaur-themed packaging, brings a smile as well as everything needed to germinate and grow a tree that has existed on our planet for hundreds of millions of years!

> ACE Member: \$10 Non-Member: \$12 \$5 for youth (age 18 or younger)



**Earth Flags Craft Kit** 

Paint your own home and/or garden flags! All ages can enjoy mixing natural earth paints in the enclosed mixing cups, and the creamy, temperalike paint makes it easy to paint colorful, custom designs on the hemp flags. The packaging is 100% post-consumer recycled; bags and mixing cups are biodegradable.

> ACE Member: \$26 Non-Member: \$31



DIY Earrings Kit (Age 10+)

Wildflower Art Studio's DIY Earrings Kit makes a fabulous gift! Packaged in an adorable gift box, each kit includes everything you need to create five fabulous pairs of earrings: a few to wear, a few to share!

> **ACE Member: \$45** Non-Member: \$54

Discounted kits made possible through the ACE Youth Arts Learning Fund with generous support from the foundations and organizations listed on page 32.



Art Center East (ACE) invites artists of all ages to submit artwork in any medium for the 2023 Union County Fair. **The fair is August 2 - 5, 2023; the theme is "Boots, Jeans, and American Dreams".** 

Art Center East adjudicates Union County Fair art submissions every year and gives awards for excellent artwork.

**ACE awards include:** Standout Youth 3D, Standout Youth 2D, Standout Fiber, Standout Adult 3D, and Standout Adult 2D.

Each ACE award winner receives an Art Center East gift card that can be used for ACE class registrations, items in the ACE Gift Gallery, ACE annual memberships, and more! For artwork submission paperwork, artwork drop-off information, and all other inquiries, please **visit www.unioncountyfair.org**.

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# BUILDING ACCESSIBILITY UPDATE



Making the ACE building accessible to visitors with mobility challenges continues to be a top priority!

ACE is housed in a **beautiful historic building** that was La Grande's Public Library for more than half a century. The 1913 building is owned by the City of La Grande and it needs renovations that allow all people to enjoy ACE classes, gallery exhibits, and events in the building.

The **generous donations many of you have already made** towards the installation of a lift on our ground floor and other building renovations required by the Americans with Disabilities Act **remain dedicated just for those uses: the lift, lift installation, and renovations.** 

ACE staff and board members continue to submit grant applications for **funding that will make these essential changes possible.**The City of La Grande has committed to a \$50,000 match.

Not able to make a donation to our ADA fund right now? We know times are tight.

You can help ACE in other ways! We encourage you to chat with La Grande City Council members and/or with Union County Commissioners — let them know you value having ACE as a resource for community members of all ages.

Share what you love about the arts and how they impact your life, your family, and your community in positive ways.

#### MANY THANKS TO ALL OF YOU WHO BECAME ACE MEMBERS OR RENEWED YOUR ACE MEMBERSHIPS THIS SPRING!

We had a fantastic response from the community, and we appreciate each of **our individual, family, and business members!** 

Art Center East is a member-based organization and that means we rely on our members to help us offer art exhibits, classes, and events to people of all ages.

We couldn't do it without you.

An ACE membership demonstrates **your commitment to – and passion for – keeping the arts in Northeast Oregon growing, expanding, and thriving.** Thank you!

For more information about **ACE membership benefits and perks**, please visit https://artcentereast.org/membership or https://artcentereast.org/business-membership







### GALLERIES -

#### MAIN AND ORLASKE GALLERIES

New Works by Nathan Prouty **July 7 - September 2, 2023 Free Admission** 

Art Center East presents New Works by Nathan Prouty in the Main Gallery. Everyone is invited to attend a free opening reception on Friday, July 7 from 6:00 -8:00 pm. The exhibit is on display July 7 - September 2. Free closing reception on Friday, September 1 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. ACE galleries are open to the public and admission is always free.

#### Low Tide by Doug Anderson **July 7 - September 2, 2023 Free Admission**

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#### **ARTS CLASSES -**

#### Ceramics Open Studio (Age 16+) July 5 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Ceramics Open Studio is for ceramics enthusiasts whose skills are at or above an intermediate level. Community members who are currently taking or have previously taken at least one ceramics class at ACE are also welcome. Teaching Artist Maarten will be present to advise on projects. Hone your pottery skills or use the open studio time to add to your inventory. Clay must be purchased through ACE to prevent cross-contamination. Pre-registration is required. Please enter through the 5th Street door. **Teaching Artist:** Maarten Tromp van Holst Cost: \$20 Member / \$24 Non-Member

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(Youth Scholarships Available)

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**Cost: Free** 

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#### Wild School (Age 6-12)

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Teaching Artists: Meghan Ballard and Amanda Welch

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#### Wild School for Adults: Bat Night Out (Age 21+) July 8 from 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Join Teaching Artists Meghan and Amanda for "Bat Night Out": a fundraiser for the Wild Preschool, Wild School, and Teen Wild School programs! Enjoy iced elderberry tea or elderberry whiskey sours, learn how to make charcoal for drawing, and create inks

from native plants. You'll learn how to use value (the darkness or lightness of a color) to create an image of a bat. No drawing or painting experience necessary. You'll also gain knowledge about our local bat populations and how bats connect to the ecosystem in our community. As the sun sets, we'll see if any bats show up over Pete's Pond to hunt for insects! All supplies included.

Teaching Artists: Meghan Ballard and Amanda Welch **Cost: \$45** 

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#### Wild Preschool (Age 0-6) **July 21 from 10:00 - 11:00 am**

This fun outdoor class at Pete's Pond is for young children and their caregivers to connect with nature and friends by engaging in hands-on earth science projects, and creating nature-based art. Each class begins with songs and parachute time, followed by reading a picture book based on the theme of the day, playing an earth science-based game or experiment, creating nature-based art, and exploration. Themes vary and include shapes in nature, what lives in a tree, and how seeds grow. A parent or guardian must stay with their child for the duration of the class.

Teaching Artist: Meghan Ballard

**Cost: Free** 

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#### Wild School (Age 6-12)

#### July 22 from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Students create nature-based art using a variety of mediums, engage in hands-on science, and explore the outdoors at Pete's Pond. Each week brings a different theme such as the art of camouflage, monarch butterfly migration, wild turkeys, ghost animals, and Indigenous art. Students gain knowledge of and appreciation for the natural world around them as well as learning art skills and making new friends. Parents

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organizations listed on page 32.

#### Create an Ocean Drum (Age 16+) July 25 from 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Create a beautiful, double-sided ocean drum! It's filled with glass beads that mimic the sound of the ocean when played with peaceful intent. Teaching Artist Darcy leads you through all the steps to make a drum with a maple hoop and double-sided hide. Note: this class uses real animal hide for the drum; the hide animals were harvested sustainably and with respect. The instrument you create makes an extraordinary, unique gift. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

**Teaching Artist:** Darcy Dolge **Cost:** \$85 Member / \$100 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

#### LITERARY CLASSES -

#### Pinecones Book Club (Age 6-8) July 14 from 10:00 - 11:00 am

Join Stefanie for story time, followed by handson tinkering and learning activities. Students will
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#### Teaching Artist: Stefanie Holloway

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#### Little Pinecones Book Club (Age 0-5) July 19 from 10:00 - 11:00 am

Join Meghan in the ACE galleries for monthly storytime! Children will listen to Meghan read, then gather downstairs in Studio A to do an art-making activity related to the story. Kids will leave with new friendships, art skills, and a new-found or renewed curiosity about books and reading! A parent or guardian must stay with their child for the duration of the class. Please enter through the Penn Avenue door.

#### **Teaching Artist:** Meghan Ballard **Cost:** Free

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#### Little Pine Trees Book Club (Age 9-11) July 28 from 10:00 - 11:00 am

Join Stefanie for story time, followed by handson tinkering and learning activities. Students will
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#### WELLNESS CLASSES

#### Intro. to Crystal Grids (Age 18+) July 11 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Interested in crystal grids? Don't know what they are? Take this intro. class to learn about the meanings of crystals, their uses and shape differences, and gain the confidence to work with crystals daily. This class is a hands-on experience for students to learn about two different kinds of crystal grids, and go home with crystals of their choosing, wooden grid base, educational materials, and more! Materials for an optional third grid to make at home will be available to students for an additional cost. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

**Teaching Artist:** Darcy Dolge **Cost:** \$75 **Member / \$90 Non-Member**(Youth Scholarships Available)

New Moon Yoga (Age 18+) July 16 from 9:00 - 10:30 am

Learn about the magic of the New Moon through yoga, journaling, and intention setting. This class, open to all levels, will help you connect with your

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body and your intuition through a gentle yoga flow. You'll gain basic knowledge about how to set intentions with the New Moon. Connecting with your intuition can help you manifest your best life. Each student should bring a notebook and writing utensils. If you have your own yoga mat, please bring it. Teaching Artist Joy will have extra mats available. Teaching Artist: Joy Grassley

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**Location:** Riverside Park, 3501 North Spruce Street in La Grande

Cost: \$15 Member / \$18 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

#### Beginner's Astrology: Zodiac, Planets, & Birth Charts (Age 12+)

#### July 21 from 5:30 - 8:30 pm

Curious about astrology? Interested in how the ancient myths of the cosmos relate to your own life story? This fun class is perfect for you! Students will explore the twelve zodiac signs in Western astrology and their relationship to the planets, learning the basics of how to read an astrological birth chart. Students will leave class with their unique birth chart in hand, the knowledge and skills needed to interpret other charts, and the basic tools with which to grow their astrology practice. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

Teaching Artist: Jessica Holmes
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Wild Preschool with Meghan Ballard and Amanda We





# VOLUNTEER



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### SIGN UP FOR



### NEWSLETTERS

artcentereast.org/our-story/newsletter



# PRIVATE ARTS LESSONS

#### PRIVATE WRITING SESSIONS

#### **Private Writing Sessions**

Improve your writing skills and enjoy writing even more! Nancy Knowles, Professor of English/Writing at Eastern Oregon University, offers writing, grant writing, editing, proofreading, and tutoring for private and group sessions. She has been teaching at the university level for almost 30 years, has tutored young people, and has also led professional development for businesses and nonprofits.

#### Private Sessions (one-on-one or manuscript review)

30 minutes: Member \$22 / Non-Member \$26 45 minutes: Member \$30 / Non-Member \$36 60 minutes: Member \$35 / Non-Member \$42

#### **Group Sessions**

30 minutes: Member: \$62 / Non-Member \$66 45 minutes: Member \$80 / Non-Member \$86 60 minutes: Member \$100 / Non-Member \$120

Sign up for private writing sessions at artcentereast.org/private-writingsessions. Questions? Please contact the ACE Programs Coordinator at programscoordinator@artcentereast.org.



#### PRIVATE MUSIC LESSONS

Private music lessons are a wonderful way to learn a new instrument or increase existing musical skills while experiencing the joy of music in a one-on-one setting! ACE's experienced music educators offer private lessons in their studios to children, teens, and adults.

The student and instructor arrange lesson dates/times. 30-minute, 45-minute, and 60-minute lessons are available. Students can pay online and ACE members receive a discounted rate! For information about youth (ages 18 and younger) scholarships for lessons, visit artcentereast.org/ace-youth-scholarship.

Visit our Music Instructor Roster for more information or email ACE Outreach Coordinator Moira Madden at outreach@artcentereast.org.

Music Instructor Roster:
Mio Aoike: piano
Matt Cooper: piano, accordion
David Felley: mandolin, guitar
Jan Miller: piano, voice, piano/voice combo



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# TAKE & MAKE ART KIT HIGHLIGHTS



1006 Penn Avenue, La Grande, OR Wednesday - Friday from 12:00 - 5:00 pm

Saturday from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

artcentereast.org/learn/classes/take-make-art-kits







Safe, simple, and environmentally-friendly, milk paint emits no noxious vapors or toxic residue. It's fast-drying, biodegradable, and child-friendly.

ACE Member: \$19 Non-Member: \$23 \$10 for youth (age 18 or younger)



Ice Dye Kit: Dye Your Own Item (Age 10+)

Use ice + dye to color clothing or fabric! This fun at-home ice dye kit includes dye (carefully sourced) for one garment or fabric piece. Ice dyeing is a higher-end version of bottle tie-dyeing (remember that summer camp activity?)

ACE Member: \$24 Non-Member: \$29



The Trekker's Companion (Age 12+)

A wearable book kit with a leather cover and artist-grade paper! This kit includes everything you need to make your very own Trekker's Companion. All you need is a glue stick, some scrap paper, and a sense of adventure!

ACE Member: \$50 Non-Member: \$60

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# AUGUST



#### **GALLERIES**

#### MAIN GALLERY

**New Works by Nathan Prouty July 7 - September 2, 2023 Free Admission** 

New Works by Nathan Prouty continues in the Main Gallery. Everyone is invited to attend a free closing reception on Friday, September 1 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. ACE galleries are open to the public and admission is always free.

#### **ORLASKE GALLERY**

Low Tide by Doug Anderson **July 7 - September 2, 2023 Free Admission** 

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#### **GIFT GALLERY**

The Art Center East Gift Gallery offers a curated selection of fine art and functional handmade goods by more than 75 local, regional, and international artists. Greeting cards, original paintings, prints, blown and fused glass pieces, jewelry, ceramics, textiles, and much more. The ACE Gift Gallery also carries a selection of curated Take & Make Arts Learning Kits. All ACE Gift Gallery sales benefit the individual artists as well as Art Center East, strengthening the role of art and working artists in our rural communities. The ACE Gift Gallery is open Wednesday - Friday from 12:00 - 5:00 pm and Saturdays from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.

#### **ARTISAN POP-UPS**

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engaging atmosphere for visitors, customers, and popup artisans.

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Wild Preschool (Age 0-6) August 4 from 10:00 - 11:00 am

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Wild School (Age 6-12) August 5 from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

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Intermediate/Advanced Ceramics (Age 18+) August 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, & 28 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Expand your ceramics skills and express yourself through clay! Build on the basics of hand building and wheel-thrown projects. Teaching Artist Michael's thorough teaching is set within the context of just having fun! This class is for ceramics enthusiasts whose skills are at or above an intermediate level, or who have taken a Beginning Ceramics class at ACE. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

**Teaching Artist:** Michael McVey Cost: \$160 Member / \$192 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

Lush Canvas: A Night with O'Keeffe (Age 21+) August 25 from 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Paint white flowers in the style of Georgia O'Keeffe using a variety of techniques! No experience necessary. You'll paint in acrylic alongside Teaching Artist Tess and enjoy a complimentary beverage while meeting new people and exploring painting in a fun, no-pressure environment. At the end of the evening, you'll take your amazing painting home. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

**Teaching Artist:** Tess Cahill Cost: \$45 Member / \$55 Non-Member

Wine & Design (Age 21+) August 26 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Relax and have fun painting a unique set of two beautiful wine glasses - and enjoy a complimentary glass of wine at the same time! You can use ACE's fun stencils/templates to trace designs on your glasses or bring your own design ideas. No painting or design experience necessary. Teaching Artist Denise will be on hand to help. All supplies included.

Teaching Artist: Denise Elizabeth Stone Cost: \$44 Member / \$52 Non-Member

Fused Glass Pendants (Age 18+) August 29 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Create four beautiful fused glass pendants! This class is a great introduction to the fascinating world of fused glass. You'll learn the elements of fused glass design and create four unique pendants that will be picked up after being fired. All skill levels are welcome. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

**Teaching Artist:** Darcy Dolge Cost: \$50 Member / \$60 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

#### LITERARY CLASSES -

Little Pinecones Book Club (Age 0-5) August 2 from 10:00 - 11:00 am

Join Meghan in the ACE galleries for monthly storytime! Children will listen to Meghan read, then gather downstairs in Studio A to do an art-making activity related to the story. Kids will leave with new friendships, art skills, and a new-found or renewed curiosity about books and reading! A parent or guardian must stay with their child for the duration of the class. Please enter through the Penn Avenue

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#### **WELLNESS CLASSES -**

Bath Salt Flights (Age 16+) August 8 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Learn about six different salts and bath-safe herbs while creating a relaxing gift for yourself or someone else. You'll leave class with five beautifully curated salt and herb bath salts in glass tubes with cork tops. Your bath salt flight makes a thoughtful gift. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

Teaching Artist: Darcy Dolge

Cost: \$45 member / \$54 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

New Moon Yoga (Age 18+) August 13 from 8:00 - 9:30 am

Learn about the magic of the New Moon through yoga, journaling, and intention setting. This class, open to all levels, will help you connect with your body and your intuition through a gentle yoga

flow. You'll gain basic knowledge about how to set intentions with the New Moon. Connecting with your intuition can help you manifest your best life. Each student should bring a notebook and writing utensils. If you have your own yoga mat, please bring it. Teaching Artist Joy will have extra mats available.

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Teaching Artist: Joy Grassley

**Location:** Riverside Park, 3501 North Spruce Street in La Grande

Cost: \$15 Member / \$18 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

Beginner's Astrology: Zodiac, Planets, & Birth Charts (Age 12+)

August 20 from 12:00 - 3:00 pm

Curious about astrology? Interested in how the ancient myths of the cosmos relate to your own life story? This fun class is perfect for you! Students will explore the twelve zodiac signs in Western astrology and their relationship to the planets, learning the basics of how to read an astrological birth chart. Students will leave class with their unique birth chart in hand, the knowledge and skills needed to interpret other charts, and the basic tools with which to grow their astrology practice. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

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# TAKE & MAKE ART KIT HIGHLIGHTS

Purchase kits at Art Center East or online!

1006 Penn Avenue, La Grande, OR

Wednesday - Friday from 12:00 - 5:00 pm Saturday from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

artcentereast.org/learn/classes/take-make-art-kits







Create your own heart-shaped bird feeder using this kit and enjoy several fun activities in the process!

ACE Member: \$15 Non-Member: \$18 \$10 for youth (age 18 or younger)



Lil Loom Weaving Kit (Age 8+)

The Lil Loom Weaving Kit is the smallest approach to weaving on a frame loom. Designed for beginners of all ages, the Lil Loom is the perfect tool to explore a new skill without committing yourself to a large project. You can weave as soon as you open the box!

ACE Member: \$30 Non-Member: \$36



Tie Dye Vase Kit: Midnight (Age 14+)

Create your own watercolor vase using one of our tie-dye kits! This kit teaches you how to make your own watercolor vase using ice and the tools provided. It's a fun, easy-to-learn project for the entire family. Vase, dye, basket, dye fixers, and safety gloves are included.

Kit also contains extra dye and fixers so you can tie-dye other items!

ACE Member: \$120 Non-Member: \$144

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# TEACH WITH ACE

ACE offers around 500 classes a year! If you have an artistic skill that you would like to share, we invite you to fill out a class proposal.

#### Pop-Up Class Opportunities

ACE offers pop-up classes! If you'd like to teach a pop-up class, submit a teaching artist proposal online and select the pop-up option. Please apply a minimum of three weeks in advance to allow for ACE planning and marketing.

#### Apply early to teach in Fall Quarter!

The deadline for Teaching Artist Class Proposals for Fall Quarter 2023 is July 1, by 11:59

#### **Teaching Artist Compensation**

We have two payment structures for ACE Teaching Artists in 2023.

- Sliding Scale Rate: \$8.00 per student per 60 minutes of instruction. ACE's set minimum number of students is three; therefore, Teaching Artists never receive less than \$24.00 per hour of instruction.
- **Hourly Flat Rate:** \$30.00 per 60 minutes of instruction. The Teaching Artist sets the minimum number of students for each class they teach.

Learn more about teaching at ACE and submit a Teaching Artist Application at artcentereast.org/artist/teach-at-ace. If you would like help developing a class, please email Programs Coordinator Sophia Aimone programscoordinator@artcentereast.org.

### **BECOME A**



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# ARTIST OPPORTUNITIES

#### **Featured Artist Exhibit**

Art Center East Galleries – one of the only international fine art exhibit spaces in Union County – are community-supported and are sustained by Art Center East annual memberships August 8: HHMM vendor booth fee due and private and state funders. Art Center East's Gallery Committee evaluates and selects artists who work in any medium to display work in the Main or Orlaske Galleries.

#### **Gift Gallery Artists**

ACE seeks works that exhibit originality, craftsmanship, imaginative use of materials, and aesthetic quality. Work is sold on consignment or wholesale. Consignment: the selling of one's goods through a third party. The third party (ACE) retains a small portion of the sale for facilitating the sale. Wholesale: the selling of one's goods in large quantities at lower costs, to be retailed by another party (ACE).

#### Artisan Pop-up Program

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#### 2023 Handmade Holidays Makers Market: November 17 & 18

Artists/artisans: the application period for ACE's 15th Handmade Holidays Makers Market is open! ACE's annual HHMM is our most popular holiday shopping weekend of the year. The two-day art sale draws more than 1,500 visitors interested in locally-made gift items. Art Center East selects HHMM vendors for the quality and uniqueness of their work, and curates the lineup to include a balanced and engaging selection. No resale or corporate merchandise accepted. All items for sale at HHMM must be made by the artist selling them. Vendors pay a booth fee only; no commission is taken.

#### **Important 2023 HHMM Dates:**

January 1 - July 25: Vendor application period **August 1:** Applicants receive acceptance or decline notification

**November 17:** HHMM VIP Shopping Hour from

November 17 & 18: HHMM is free and open to the public November 17 from 4:00 - 8:00 pm and November 18 from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm.

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#### **Teaching Artist Compensation:**

We have two payment structures for ACE

- **Sliding Scale Rate:** \$8.00 per student per 60 minutes of instruction. ACE's set minimum number of students is three; therefore, Teaching Artists never receive less than \$24.00 per hour of instruction.
- **Hourly Flat Rate:** \$30.00 per 60 minutes of instruction. The Teaching Artist sets the minimum number of students for each class they teach.

Learn more about teaching at ACE and apply at artcentereast.org/artist/teach-at-ace. If you'd like help developing a class, please email ACE Programs Coordinator Sophia Aimone at programscoordinator@artcentereast.org.

#### **Artists in Rural Schools (AiRS) Program**

ACE's Artists in Rural Schools Program brings arts education to K-12 students across Eastern Oregon. Teaching artists from a variety of

disciplines – visual arts to music, literature, theater, and dance! - visit rural schools for 1-3

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Artists with teaching experience are invited to apply. Applications accepted year-round. Visit artcentereast.org/learn/artists-in-ruralschools or contact ACE's Outreach Coordinator at outreach@artcentereast.org.

# **EXHIBIT**



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# **TEACH**



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### **TEACHING ARTIST**



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#### **GALLERIES**

#### MAIN GALLERY

Wildlife Moments by Debra Otterstein September 8 - October 21, 2023

#### **Free Admission**

Art Center East presents Wildlife Moments by Debra Otterstein. The community is invited to attend a free opening reception on Friday, September 8 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. The exhibit is on display September 8 -October 21. Free closing reception on Friday, October 20 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. ACE galleries are open to the public and admission is always free.

#### **ORLASKE GALLERY**

New Works by Steve Feldman September 8 - October 21, 2023 **Free Admission** 

Art Center East presents New Works by Steve Feldman. The public is invited to attend a free opening reception on Friday, September 8 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. The exhibit is on display September 8 - October 21. Free closing reception on Friday, October 20 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. ACE galleries are open to the public and admission is always free.

#### **ARTS CLASSES -**

Intermediate/Advanced Ceramics (Age 18+) September 4, 7, 11, 14, 18, & 25 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm Expand your ceramics skills and express yourself through clay! Build on the basics of hand building and wheel-thrown projects. Teaching Artist Michael's thorough teaching is set within the context of just having fun! This class is for ceramics enthusiasts

whose skills are at or above an intermediate level, or who have taken a Beginning Ceramics class at ACE. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

**Teaching Artist:** Michael McVey Cost: \$160 Member / \$192 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

#### Intro. to Wheel Throwing (Age 16+) September 6, 13, 20, & October 4 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Experience the fun of throwing on a potter's wheel in this thorough introductory class! You'll learn the skills necessary to throw cylinders, cups, bowls, and more. Teaching Artist Maarten will guide you through the process of throwing, shaping, and trimming pots, as well as basic surface decoration and glazing

techniques. This class is designed for students with little or no experience on the potter's wheel. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street

**Teaching Artist:** Maarten Tromp van Holst Cost: \$130 Member / \$156 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

Weekly Homeschool Art (Age 8-11) September 6, 13, & 20 from 10:00 - 11:30 am October 11, 18, & 25 from 10:00 - 11:30 am November 1, 8, & 15 from 10:00 - 11:30 am

Teaching Artist Jennifer helps students build their art vocabulary through a fun exploration of a different art technique each week! Using pencil, paper, and watercolor, students will create original works based on the day's technique, learning concepts such as symmetry, basic color theory, pattern, and more. Students complete a unique project at each class. This class is a continuation from Spring Quarter, but new students are always welcome! Parents or guardians are welcome, but not required, to stay with their child for the duration of the class. All supplies included.

**Teaching Artist:** Jennifer McBride **Cost: Free** 

Location: Catherine Creek Community Center, 667 North Main Street in Union

Free classes made possible through the ACE Youth Arts Learning Fund with generous support from the foundations and organizations listed on page 32.

Weekly Homeschool Art II (Age 12-15) September 8, 15, & 22 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm October 13, 20, & 27 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm November 3, 10, & 17 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Teaching Artist Jennifer will help students continue building their art vocabulary using different art techniques and more challenging projects. Students will exercise their drawing skills, applying them to a number of different media including watercolor, printing, and weaving. Students will learn to incorporate ideas such as symmetry, color theory, and pattern into fun projects that they help design and create. Students' unique projects are based on each week's particular technique or artistic medium. Learning these techniques helps build a vocabulary students can use in other works they create, hopefully inspiring them to do more. Parents or guardians are

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welcome, but not required, to stay with their child for the duration of the class. All supplies included. **Teaching Artist:** Jennifer McBride

**Cost: Free** 

Location: Union Carnegie Library, 182 North Main Street in Union

Free classes made possible through the ACE Youth Arts Learning Fund with generous support from the foundations and organizations listed on page 32.

#### Lush Canvas: A Night with Van Gogh (Age 21+) September 22 from 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Paint sunflowers in the style of Vincent van Gogh using a variety of techniques! No experience necessary. You'll paint in acrylic alongside Teaching Artist Tess and enjoy a complimentary beverage while meeting new people and exploring painting in a fun, no-pressure environment. At the end of the evening, you'll take your amazing painting home. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

Teaching Artist: Tess Cahill Cost: \$45 Member / \$55 Non-Member

#### Create an Ocean Drum (Age 16+) September 26 from 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Create a beautiful, double-sided ocean drum! It's filled with glass beads that mimic the sound of the ocean when played with peaceful intent. Teaching Artist Darcy leads you through all the steps to make a drum with a maple hoop and double-sided hide. Note: this class uses real animal hide for the drum; the hide animals were harvested sustainably and with respect The instrument you create makes an extraordinary, unique gift. All supplies included. Please enter through a great introduction to the fascinating world of fused the 5th Street door.

**Teaching Artist:** Darcy Dolge Cost: \$85 Member / \$100 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

#### Ceramics Open Studio (Age 16+) September 27 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Ceramics Open Studio is for ceramics enthusiasts whose skills are at or above an intermediate level. Community members who are currently taking or have previously taken at least one ceramics class at ACE are also welcome. Teaching Artist Maarten will be present to advise on projects. Hone your pottery skills or use the open studio time to add to your inventory. Clay must be purchased through ACE to prevent cross-contamination. Pre-registration is

required. Please enter through the 5th Street door. Teaching Artist: Maarten Tromp van Holst Cost: \$20 Member / \$24 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

#### Beginning Ceramics (Age 18+)

October 9, 12, 16, 19, 23, & 30 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm Express yourself through clay and have lots of fun! Learn the basics of hand building and wheel-thrown projects. Teaching Artist Michael's thorough teaching is set within the context of just having fun! No experience necessary. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

**Teaching Artist:** Michael McVey Cost: \$160 Member / \$192 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

#### Lush Canvas: A Night with Monet (Age 21+) October 13 from 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Paint water lilies in the style of Claude Monet using a variety of techniques! No experience necessary. You'll paint in acrylic alongside Teaching Artist Tess and enjoy a complimentary beverage while meeting new people and exploring painting in a fun, no-pressure environment. At the end of the evening, you'll take your amazing painting home. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

**Teaching Artist:** Tess Cahill Cost: \$45 Member / \$55 Non-Member

#### Fused Glass Pendants (Age 18+) October 17 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Create four beautiful fused glass pendants! This class is glass. You'll learn the elements of fused glass design and create four unique pendants that will be picked up after being fired. All skill levels are welcome. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street

**Teaching Artist:** Darcy Dolge Cost: \$50 Member / \$60 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

#### Weekend Watercolor Celebration (Age 14+) October 28 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Join this class for a memorable, positive day of improving your painting skills and enjoying watercolors even more than you already do! Teaching Artist Paul will have still life materials on hand for you to paint from, but feel free to bring your own

material, photograph, or painting project. Painting presentations and group discussion will allow beginning and advanced students alike to enjoy this workshop. You'll receive professional help with your project. There will be a one-hour lunch break during the workshop. Supply list located at artcentereast.org/ calendar. Please enter through the 5th Street door. **Teaching Artist:** Paul Hoelscher

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Cost: \$65 Member / \$78 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

#### Intermediate/Advanced Ceramics (Age 18+) November 2, 6, 9, 13, 16, & 20 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Expand your ceramics skills and express yourself through clay! Build upon the basics of hand building and wheel-thrown projects. Teaching Artist Michael's thorough teaching is set within the context of just having fun! This class is for ceramics enthusiasts whose skills are at or above an intermediate level, or who have taken a Beginning Ceramics class at ACE. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th

**Teaching Artist:** Michael McVey Cost: \$160 Member / \$192 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

#### Punch Needle Rug Hooking (Age 12+) November 10 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Learn the basics of Punch Needle Rug Hooking: fiber, basic stitch gauges, and all the Punch Needle possibilities! Join this class to explore the fiber arts in a new way, using yarn and fabric to create art. Learn the traditional Punch Needle craft and complete a small project. You'll leave with a finished "mug rug" and gain the skills to work on larger projects. All supplies included. Parents or guardians are welcome, but not required, to stay with their child/teen for the duration of the class. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

**Teaching Artist:** Una Walker Cost: \$25 Member / \$30 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

#### Lush Canvas: A Night with Matisse (Age 21+) November 17 from 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Paint a landscape in the style of Henri Matisse using a variety of techniques! No experience necessary. You'll paint in acrylic alongside Teaching Artist Tess and enjoy a complimentary beverage while meeting new people and exploring painting in a fun, no-pressure environment. At the end of the evening, you'll take

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your amazing painting home. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

Teaching Artist: Tess Cahill

Cost: \$45 Member / \$55 Non-Member

#### Color Flame Pinecone Fire Starters (Age 18+) November 28 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Alchemy at its hottest plus science and natural materials: talk about fun! Get crafty with these handmade pinecone fire starters that will make your campfire move and dance with delightful colors. You'll leave class with three flame-changing pinecones to use as fire starters or as additions to a fire that's already lit. Natural ingredients and safe color compounds. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

**Teaching Artist:** Darcy Dolge **Cost:** \$40 Member / \$48 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

#### Fused Glass Pendants (Age 18+) December 5 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Create four beautiful fused glass pendants! This class i a great introduction to the fascinating world of fused glass. You'll learn the elements of fused glass design and create four unique pendants that will be picked up after being fired. All skill levels are welcome. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door

Teaching Artist: Darcy Dolge
Cost: \$50 Member / \$60 Non-Member
(Youth Scholarships Available)

#### WELLNESS CLASSES

#### Nine-Chakra Crystal Collection (Age 18+) October 10 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Learn about crystals, stones, and chakras in this great introductory class! You'll learn about chakras and their crystal/stone correlations from Teaching Artist Darcy, exploring seven chakras plus the soul and earth star chakras. From three different options for each chakra, you'll pick nine that resonate the most with you. You'll take home your nine-chakra collection of tumbled and raw crystals/stones in an attractive glass bottle with a cork stopper. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

Teaching Artist: Darcy Dolge
Cost: \$60 Member / \$72 Non-Member

Intro. to Crystal Grids (Age 18+) November 7 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

(Youth Scholarships Available)

Interested in crystal grids? Don't know what they are? Take this intro. class to learn about the meanings of

crystals, their uses and shape differences, and gain the confidence to work with crystals daily. This class is a hands-on experience for students to learn about two different kinds of crystal grids, and go home with crystals of their choosing, wooden grid base, educational materials, and more! Materials for an optional third grid to make at home will be available to students for an additional cost. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

Teaching Artist: Darcy Dolge

Cost: \$75 Member / \$90 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

#### Bath Salt Flights (Age 16+) December 19 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Learn about six different salts and bath-safe herbs while creating a relaxing gift for yourself or someone else. You'll leave class with five beautifully curated salt and herb bath salts in glass tubes with cork tops. Your bath salt flight makes a thoughtful gift. All supplies included. Please enter through the 5th Street door.

Teaching Artist: Darcy Dolge Cost: \$45 member / \$54 Non-Member (Youth Scholarships Available)

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### **TEACHING ARTIST**



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# Reminder Keep an eye on the ACE online calendar and our social media all summer long for new pop-up classes that will be added every month!

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Meghan Ballard holds a B.S. in Environmental Science from Portland State University and has done graduate level coursework in Environmental Education. She has more than ten years of experience in environmental education engaging K-12 science classes in stream and wetland restoration projects. She is currently a freelance environmental educator, a Cub Scouts Den Leader, a Board member of the Blue Mountains Conservancy, and a mother of two.

Darcy Dolge serves as Executive Director at Art Center East and creates mixed media artworks in La Grande, Oregon. She owns Blackberry Moon Creations and Wellness Services; the services include sound healing and crystal therapy. Darcy also handcrafts drums (a ceremonial process that integrates her Scandinavian heritage) and creates mindfulness items, including framed hand-wired crystal grids, fused glass jewelry, and apothecary items.

**Joy Grassley** is a certified yoga instructor who recently graduated from Hawaii Yoga Institute with a 200-hour CYT. She has practiced yoga since 2015. Joy is an artist who has explored a variety of mediums throughout her life. She has a passion for daily journaling, intention setting, and astrology.

**Paul Hoelscher** is a native Minnesotan who has lived in Baker City since 2002. He is a full-time artist and art instructor who paints with watercolors, acrylics, pastels, and oils, and draws with dry media and ink. He has taught K-12 students in Eastern Oregon for many years as a Teaching Artist in ACE's Artists in Rural Schools Program. Paul's finished paintings and drawings are intended to be quiet reminders for everyone of how wonderful life really is when we take a moment to notice.

**Stefanie Holloway** was a classroom English and Literacy teacher before she pursued and attained a Doctorate in Education, Curriculum and Instruction. Over the past decade, she has spent time in classrooms across diverse content areas and worked with learners of all ages – spanning from preschool to pre-service teachers at the university level. She is very passionate about helping students develop creative and critical thinking skills and inspiring them to think outside-of-the-box about how they can contribute in a positive way to the world around them.

**Jessica Holmes** has been a teacher for nine years, mainly at the university level, and has taught classes in creative writing, literature, and the humanities. She has been studying astrology for five years and began offering private natal chart readings three years ago.

Nancy Knowles is a Professor of English/Writing at Eastern Oregon University and teaches writing, grant writing, professional writing, and literature. She has a PhD from the University of Connecticut in English Literature, as well as master's degrees in English Literature and Teaching Writing from Humboldt State University in California. She has been teaching at the university level for almost 30 years, has tutored young people, and has also led professional development for businesses and nonprofits. She is also a certified yoga instructor.

Jennifer McBride has a B.A. in Art and her work is primarily composed of silk-screened or wood-block prints depicting elements of nature. She is a home-school mom, and enjoys cooking and baking for her family, reading and spending time in her garden. Jennifer especially enjoys teaching baking to her nieces and son.

Michael McVey has 20 years of experience with ceramics. He moved to Oregon in 1997 and fell in love with the mountains. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Fine Arts from Eastern Oregon University. After moving to Baker City, he became involved with the art community there and taught ceramics for two years. Now living in La Grande, Michael is excited to teach ceramics again.

**Denise Elizabeth Stone** creates figurative and abstract art in watercolor, acrylics, and mixed media. She has also taught classes in batik watercolor techniques and color theory.

Maarten Tromp van Holst was a student at Eastern Oregon University in the 1970s. He apprenticed with Betty Feves in Pendleton, Oregon. Maarten worked for a pottery supply company in Portland for three years and became a production potter for B. Welsh Pottery for several years. After a long hiatus, he reconnected with his pottery wheel that had sat idle for years. Maarten has taught for Art Center East many times over the years and is currently producing work in his own studio. He loves art and craft and wants others to experience and gain an appreciation for them.

**Una Walker** is a fiber artist from La Grande, Oregon, whose fashion and artwork have been exhibited nationally to rave reviews. She is a sought-after fiber arts teacher and her classes range from beginning to advanced techniques in a variety of mediums. Una is a certified Oxford Punch Needle instructor.

Amanda Welch teaches art at Stella Mayfield Elementary School in Elgin, Oregon, and has a master's degree in Arts Education. Although her main focus is fiber art, she spends a lot of time working with various mediums such as painting, photography and ceramics. She is also a mom of four and helps coach the La Grande Swim Club.

# YOUTH ARTS LEARNING FUND

Art Center East: a member-based 501(c)(3) non-profit in La Grande, Oregon

# Did you know?

**ACE's Youth Arts Learning Fund provides youth up to age 18** with free or reduced-cost arts experiences such as ACE classes, take-home arts learning kits, music lessons, and more. Art Center East passionately supports children and teens exploring the arts, and we believe that fostering a love of the arts helps give young people creative joy and the confidence and skills to invest back into their communities in the future.

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# LET US BE YOUR WAYPOINT LOCAL EVENTS

June 1, July 6 & August 3 from 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Sip, Shop, Repeat. Downtown La Grande

**June 2 and 3** 

Eastern Oregon University Arts Fest on the EOU campus

June 4 from 4:00 - 8:00 pm

Pride Family Fun Day at Riverside Park Pavilion

June 5 at 7:30 pm

Grande Ronde Community Band concert. McKenzie Theatre (EOU campus). Free!

June 8 at 7:30 pm

Grande Ronde Community Choir concert. McKenzie Theatre (EOU campus). Free!

June 10 at 6:45 pm (doors open at 6:00 pm)

Baker High School Battle of the Bands at Churchill Dancehall in Baker City

June 16 from 7:30 - 8:30 pm

Side Alley Concert Series: Melissa Ruth at Side A Brewing

June 17 at 1:00 pm

Self-Care Saturday: Poetry Play at Cook Memorial Library.

June 19 - 29 from 10:00 - 11:00 am

Summer Dance Camp Session 1 at Crossroads Carnegie Art Center in Baker

June 24 at 6:00 pm

Mobility and Holistic Wellness with Colleen at Peak Lifestyle Studio in La

Every Monday and Thursday at 9:15 am

Senior Circuit at Peak Lifestyle Studio in La Grande

July 1 from 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Side Alley Concert Series: King Lanier and Wise 1 at Side A Brewing (in the adjoining Eastern Oregon Fire Museum)

July 11 at 6:45 pm (doors open at 6:00 pm)

The Lowest Pair with special guest Elwood: Churchill Dancehall concert in Baker City

**July 17 - 22** 

Opera House Youth Actors Summer Theater Camp Week 1 at the Elgin Opera House

July 21 - 30 Opera House Shakespeare Festival

Richard II, Henry IV, and The Taming of the Shrew. Elgin Opera House.

July 21 & 28 at 2:30 pm; July 22 & 29 at 12:30 pm & 4:30 pm

Frozen, Jr.: musical at the Elgin Opera House

**July 24 - 29** 

Opera House Youth Actors Summer Theater Camp Week 2 at the Elgin Opera House

Every Thursday in June, July & August at 10:30 am

Storytime at Cook Memorial Library in La Grande

August 2 - 5 Union County Fair at Union County Fairgrounds

Fair parade: Friday, August 4 at 5:30 pm in La Grande

August 12 from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Color the Blues for Autism at Union County Fairgrounds in La Grande

August 19 from 7:00 am - 5:00 pm

Annual Cove Cherry Fair at Cove Ascension School

August 19 from 2:00 - 9:00 pm

Eastern Oregon Beer Fest at the Union County Fairgrounds

August 25 at 4:00 pm - August 26 at 9:45 pm

Eastern Oregon Country Music Festival at Union County Fairgrounds in La Grande

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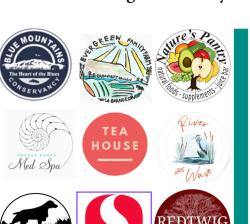








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