



## The Artmaking Space Summer Studio

**Make art. Make friends. Make memories.**

Welcome to The Artmaking Space Summer Studio Program. We are honored that you have chosen our program for your child and are excited to share a creative and enriching summer together. We invite you to contact us to do a private tour of the studio, or you may visit during our open studio hours.

The Artmaking Space is committed to providing a safe, supportive, and inspiring environment where children can explore creativity, build confidence, and develop artistic skills. Throughout the summer, participants will engage in a variety of themed studio experiences and hands-on projects designed to encourage imagination, self-expression, and artistic exploration.

Each week will introduce new themes, materials, and creative opportunities, allowing participants to experiment with different art forms while connecting with peers and developing their unique artistic voice. Our goal is for every child to feel welcomed, encouraged, and proud of the work they create.

This packet contains important information regarding program policies, procedures, schedules, and registration requirements. Please review the materials carefully and keep them for reference throughout the summer.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact us at [theartmakingspace@gmail.com](mailto:theartmakingspace@gmail.com) or call 352-827-8310.

We look forward to partnering with your family to create a memorable summer filled with creativity, friendship, and artistic discovery.

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## Program Staff:

- Our summer studio program is developed and run by several qualified individuals:
  - Maria Tonelli Smith, owner of The Artmaking Space. Maria has a master's in Arts in Health from the University of Florida and has been self-employed as a regional artist for over 30 years now. Maria's passion is focusing on the intersection of creativity and wellness. This program is rooted in Arts in Health principles, using creative expression to support emotional well-being, confidence, and connection within a supportive environment.
  - Melissa Arceneaux, owner of the local nonprofit Autism Everywhere. Melissa has a bachelor's degree from the University of Florida and retired from the Georgia Institute of Technology to begin her nonprofit. Melissa's passion is focusing on using art modalities to boost self-confidence in children. Melissa has an extensive background in working with special populations.
  - Shelley Colston is a local artist, a Girl Scout leader of more than seven years, and a middle school teacher at Powell Middle School. She holds a bachelor's degree in Secondary Science Education and has spent the past nine years in the classroom. In addition to her teaching, Shelley hosts Kids' Night Out painting parties, creating fun and engaging spaces for creativity. She is deeply passionate about supporting children through both education and artistic expression.
- Our program staff have been CPR/First Aid trained, level 2 background checked, and trained in proper safety techniques.
- All proceeds for our camp program go directly to our nonprofit organization to fund future art programs for the community.

## Participant Ages:

- Children aged 6–12 years old
- If your child is close to this age range, please contact us to discuss eligibility.

## Program Location and Schedule:

- All sessions take place in our studio: 13814 Linden Dr., Spring Hill, FL 34609
- 3-hour studio sessions, Monday through Friday
- Morning Session: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM or Afternoon Session: 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

## Pricing Options: *(all payments are due the Friday before the following week of camp)*

### Full Summer Program (9 Weeks)

- \$990 total *(just \$7.33 per hour)* Registration is open now. Discount for summer payment in full. Contact us for other payment options for this program.

### Single Week Registration

- \$125 per week - Registration opens April 10

### Sibling Discount

- \$100 per week for each additional sibling

## DAILY SCHEDULE (3-HOUR SESSION)

- **Welcome & Warm-Up Activity (30 minutes)**  
A calm, creative start to get everyone settled and inspired
- **Main Art Activity (45 minutes)**  
Focused time for the day's primary project
- **Snack & Break (30 minutes)**  
Time to relax, recharge, and socialize
- **Second Activity / Continue Project (45 minutes)**  
Campers continue their work or explore a secondary activity
- **Clean-Up & Share Circle (30 minutes)**  
Reflection, sharing artwork, and building confidence

## WEEKLY PLAN

Each week of camp is thoughtfully designed to balance creativity, confidence-building, and fun. While every week features a unique theme, our daily rhythm stays consistent, so children feel comfortable, engaged, and excited to return.

- **Monday: Welcome & Exploration.**
  - We introduce the week's theme through hands-on exploration and playful activities.
  - Campers start their first artwork, experimenting with materials, sharing ideas, and they begin brainstorming their own creations in a relaxed, low-pressure environment.
- **Tuesday: Create & Discover.**
  - Campers continue working on their first featured art project of the week,
  - They learn new techniques while expressing their own unique ideas.
  - The collaborative project starts.
- **Wednesday: Build & Develop.**
  - Campers start their second art project, adding detail, depth, and personal storytelling to their work. This is where creativity really comes to life.
  - Collaborative project continues
- **Thursday: Choice & Creative Freedom.**
  - Campers enjoy a more flexible studio day, choosing from themed activities or continuing their projects. This encourages independence, confidence, and creative decision-making.
  - Finalizing all projects and preparing for Friday's events
- **Friday: Celebrate & Showcase.**
  - We wrap up the week with a special gallery-style showcase. Campers share their artwork, reflect on their experience, and celebrate their creativity together.
  - We end with a fun pizza party and gallery walk—families are invited to see what the children have created and celebrate their artistic journey.

**What They'll Create:** Children will work on 2–3 individual art projects of their own, as well as take part in creating one large collaborative piece together, which will be donated to a local community organization.

# The Artmaking Space - Summer Studio 2026

## Registration Form

(Please complete one form per child.)

### Camper Information:

- Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Child's Age: \_\_\_\_\_
- Address: \_\_\_\_\_
- City/State/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent/Guardian Information:

- Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_
- Phone: \_\_\_\_\_
- Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Pick Up Information:

The individuals listed below have permission to pick up my child from The Artmaking Space.

- Name/Phone: \_\_\_\_\_
- Name/Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Permissions & Agreements

- I give permission for my child to participate in all studio activities.
- I authorize staff to seek medical treatment for my child in case of an emergency.
- I have read and reviewed the Studio Rules & Guidelines with my child.
- I understand that if my child cannot follow the rules, they may be asked to leave, and tuition will not be refunded.

### Signature

Parent/Guardian Name (Printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Week	Dates	Theme	Morning (9-12)	Afternoon (1-4)
1	June 1-5	MY HOME, FLORIDA	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	June 8-12	NATURE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	June 15-19	UNDER THE SEA	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	June 22-26	ANIMALS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	June 29-July 3	HOMETOWN HEROES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	July 6-10	FAMOUS ARTISTS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	July 13-17	UPCYCLED ART	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	July 20-24	ART GAMES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9	July 27-31	ALL ABOUT ME!	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- Turn in all registration forms to The Artmaking Space at 13814 Linden Drive, Spring Hill, FL 34609. We are there on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-11 am and on Tuesdays from 6-8pm. Or contact us at [theartmakingsdpace@gmail.com](mailto:theartmakingsdpace@gmail.com) to arrange a time to drop off and tour the studio.
- Deposits are required to save your spot:
  - ZELLE, VENMO, Cash, and Checks accepted (payable to The Artmaking Space)
  - \$200 per child deposit will hold your space for the Full Summer registration. Deposits for this option are refundable before May 8<sup>th</sup>.
  - \$50 per child deposit will hold your space for the Individual Week registration. This deposit is non-refundable.

# The Artmaking Space Summer Studio 2026 - Waiver & Release of Liability

Participant (Child): \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name & Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## 1. Acknowledgment of Participation

I, the undersigned parent/guardian, give permission for my child to participate in The Artmaking Space Summer Program. I understand that activities may include painting, drawing, sculpting, mixed media, and other creative experiences. I further understand that arriving and picking up my child on time is crucial to their summer experience.

## 2. Assumption of Risk

I acknowledge that while The Artmaking Space takes every reasonable precaution to provide a safe and supervised environment, participation in art activities involves some inherent risks (including but not limited to minor cuts, spills, or allergic reactions). I voluntarily assume all risks associated with my child's participation.

## 3. Materials & Safety

The Artmaking Space uses non-toxic, age-appropriate materials whenever possible and follows established safety guidelines. I confirm that I have reviewed these guidelines and will inform staff of any allergies, sensitivities, or medical conditions my child may have.

Allergies/Medical Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

## 4. Code of Conduct

Children are expected to behave respectfully toward staff, peers, and materials. The Artmaking Space reserves the right to remove a participant without refund for repeated disruptive behavior, abusive language, physical aggression, or unsafe conduct.

## 5. Release of Liability

I hereby release and hold harmless The Artmaking Space, its owners, staff, and volunteers from any liability arising out of or related to my child's participation in the program.

## 6. Photo & Media Release (Optional)

I give permission for my child to be photographed/recorded for promotional use.

I do NOT give permission.

## 7. Acknowledgment & Agreement

By signing below, I confirm that I have read, understand, and agree to all terms outlined in this waiver.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Rules & Guidelines

### 1. LISTEN

- Always listen to the artists and helpers.
- Stop and listen when you hear the bell to transition to a new activity.

### 2. SAFETY

- Use all materials responsibly and follow safety instructions.
- No running inside the studio

### 3. RESPECT OTHERS

- Please respect others' artwork—ask permission before touching anything.
- Be courteous with noise, space, and materials.

### 4. BE KIND

- No rude behavior or bad language.
- Encourage and support each other's creative process.

### 5. CLEAN UP AFTER YOURSELF

- Leave your workspace tidy.
- Put the caps on markers, and all used brushes into water.
- Return shared tools and materials to their proper place.

### 6. HAVE FUN!

- Disconnect - No cell phones during sessions unless in an emergency
- Relax, experiment, and enjoy your summer in the studio!

*Please review these rules and guidelines with your child so we can all make the most of our time together. They will also be posted and reviewed in the studio!*