

Art with M.J. Studios **NEW**

(6–10 yrs) (6 classes) (Beginning)
Plan on each class being an enjoyable, hands-on experience as you pursue your knowledge of art. You will receive individualized attention while working at your own speed. All supplies provided. Register early; class is limited to ten.

Instructor: Pat Jackson

Beginning Pastels

Work in soft pencil and oil. You will learn technique and value while working from life, photo or painting reference.

6048.501 Jan. 10–Feb. 14

6048.502 Feb. 21–Mar. 27

❖ Tue., 3:15–4:15 pm

Beginning Watercolor

Have fun exploring this medium! Drawing is not important in this class. You will create a color wheel; learn about technique and value; and learn about different brushes and papers used while creating an abstract piece.

6049.501 Jan. 12–Feb. 16

6049.502 Feb. 23–Mar. 29

❖ Th., 3:15–4:15 pm

Beginning Acrylics

Have fun exploring this medium working in collage and mixed medium. Drawing is not important in this class. You will learn about the different brushes, papers, and gels associated with acrylics.

6050.501 Jan. 13–Feb. 17

6050.502 Feb. 24–Mar. 30

❖ Fri., 3:15–4:15 pm

❖ \$97 / Dist. Res. \$82

(+\$20 lab fee payable at first class)

❖ M.J. Studios:

670 Gregory Lane, Suite G

Cartooning **NEW**

(6–10 yrs) (6 classes)

Here is an opportunity for you to be very creative! You will learn the basics of the art of cartooning, history, types of cartooning, standard cartooning, materials, humor, storytelling, composition, and creating your own personal style. Hands-on learning; fun guaranteed! All supplies provided.

Instructor: M.J. Studios

6051.501 Jan. 11–Feb. 15

6051.502 Feb. 22–Mar. 28

❖ Wed., 2–3 pm

❖ \$94 / Dist. Res. \$79

(+\$20 lab fee payable at first class)

❖ M.J. Studios:

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Jewelry Workshops **NEW**

(6–11 yrs) (1 workshop)

Handmade jewelry at its best! These classes are designed not only to be fun but to let you in on some of the most popular jewelry-making techniques, such as wire work, beading, felting, finger knitting, and stamping and dapping. Only the highest-quality findings, fresh water pearls, and Czech glass beads are used.

Instructors: Dragon Designs Staff

Felted Bead Making

Make your very own beads out of colorful raw wool; design a necklace on which to use them!

6060.501 Jan. 25

❖ Wed., 3:30–5 pm

Personalized Jewelry Stamping & Dapping Techniques

Stamp designs and words into metal and create beautiful personalized jewelry pieces.

6060.502 Jan. 6

❖ Fri., 3:30–5 pm

Earring Creation

Create several different pairs and styles of earrings.

6060.503 Feb. 28

❖ Tue., 3:30–5 pm

Valentine Beading Bonanza

Create a matching set of Valentines Day jewelry including earrings and a necklace.

6060.504 Feb. 13

❖ Mon., 3:30–5 pm

St. Patrick's Day Beading Bonanza

Create a matching set of St. Patrick's Day jewelry including earrings and a necklace.

6060.505 Mar. 16

❖ Fri., 3:30–5 pm

Earth Day Recycled Jewelry

Bottle cap rings, paper beads, soda can earrings! Make cool jewelry from recycled materials!

6060.506 Apr. 20

❖ Fri., 3:30–5 pm

❖ \$50 / Dist. Res. \$35

(+\$8 lab payable to instructor)

❖ Gregory Gardens Elementary School:

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Family Events to enjoy!

See details on page 2.

- Santa at your Home
- Breakfast with Santa, Dec. 17
- Fairytale Princess Party, Mar. 7
- Hippy Hop Art Workshop & Bunny Visit, Mar. 31
- Egg-citing Egg Hunt, Apr. 7

Drama FUNdamentals **NEW**

(Grades 3–6) (8 weeks)

Drama FUNdamentals provides a terrific introduction to the basics of acting. Whether you are a natural diva or need help coming out of your shell, the techniques learned in this class can be applied to the stage as well as everyday life. Each fun-filled class revolves around the two main tenants of theatre, "Be seen and be heard." You will learn Improvisation, theatre games, story-telling, vocal projection, character movement, and other aspects of training designed to expand the imagination and spark creativity.

Instructor: Willows Theatre Company Staff

6042.501 Jan. 10–Feb. 28

6042.502 Mar. 6–May 1*

*No class on Apr. 10

❖ Tue., 5–6 pm

❖ \$145 / Dist. Res. \$130

❖ Willows Theatre:

1975 Diamond Blvd., Concord.

Mad Science Crazy Chemworks

(Grades K–5) (8 weeks)

Use your hands as a real Mad Scientist in this whirlwind class on how a lab works! Learn to recognize chemical reactions and mix up a few reactive ingredients for some sensational results. Explore the pH extremes with our Reaction Tubes for a popping experience! Create slime using the Mad Science recipe, and then enter the Slime Olympics to test your polymers. Probe the properties of light and explore some unusual applications of glow in the dark technology! And finally, you will melt metal in boiling water and freeze water with just a breath of dry ice!

Instructor: Mad Science of Mt. Diablo

6040.501 Feb. 8–Mar. 28

❖ Wed., 1:30–2:30 pm

❖ \$179 / Dist. Res. \$164

❖ Gregory Gardens Elementary School:
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Spanish 4 Children **NEW**

(6–10 yrs) (6 weeks)

Hola amigos! What a great way to learn the Spanish language! Imagine learning conversational Spanish and grammar while playing board games, completing activity pages, going on scavenger hunts, plus other fun activities. Sign up now, and let your child enjoy this interactive new Spanish class!

Instructor: Miriam Lattanzi

6041.501 Jan. 17–Feb. 21

❖ Tue., 3:30–4:30 pm

❖ \$92 / Dist. Res. \$77

(+\$6 lab payable to instructor)

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Buy your holiday gifts locally. PHRPD gift certificates are perfect for everyone on your list! Call 682-0896.

Village Music School

These beginning classes are taught by Village Music School Staff at 1720 Linda Drive, Pleasant Hill. The staff of patient, professional music instructors encourages students to learn and experience the language of music while building self-esteem and confidence. They believe that when children have fun with music lessons, they will "play" for years.

Note: Numerous studies show that ongoing music lessons increase test scores in subjects such as math and English.

Drums, Beginning

(Grades 1–2) (Grades 3–5) (6 weeks)
Let us introduce you to the exciting world of percussion! Students will learn proper drumming techniques such as how to hold drumsticks, strike the drum, and how to read basic rhythmic notation. Various percussion instruments will be introduced and demonstrated for students to explore through rhythmic games all in a supportive and team-building environment.

Grades 1–2

6067.501 Jan. 10–Feb. 14
6067.502 Feb. 21–Mar. 27
❖ Tue., 3:30–4:10 pm

Grades 3–5

6067.503 Jan. 10–Feb. 14
6067.504 Feb. 21–Mar. 27
❖ Tue., 4:20–5 pm
❖ \$104 / Dist. Res. \$89
(+\$10 lab fee payable to instructor)

Guitar for Kids, Beginning

(Grades 2–5) (6 weeks)
Students will learn and improve techniques essential to guitar playing, such as strumming, proper hand position, chord transitions while learning songs that are popular and fun to play. Class focus is on helping students enjoy musical success as quickly as possible. Home practice required. Lab fee includes method books.

6061.501 Jan. 14–Feb. 18
6061.502 Feb. 25–Mar. 31
❖ Sat., 2–2:40 pm
❖ \$104 / Dist. Res. \$89
(+\$10 lab fee payable to instructor)

Piano / Keyboard, Beginning

(Grades 1–2) (Grades 3–5) (6 weeks)
Students will learn songs that are not only popular and fun to play, but that help with sight-reading, rhythm, theory and many other musical fundamentals. Home practice and workbook study required. Lab fee includes method books. Keyboards available for rent.

Grades 1–2

6064.501 Jan. 14–Feb. 18
6064.502 Feb. 25–Mar. 31
❖ Sat., 9:30–10:10 am

Grades 3–5

6055.503 Jan. 14–Feb. 18
6055.504 Feb. 25–Mar. 31
❖ Sat., 10:15–10:55 am
❖ \$104 / Dist. Res. \$89
(+\$15 lab fee payable to instructor)

Singing Class... Glee!

(9–12 yrs) (6 weeks)
A willingness to sing and have fun are the only requirements to join. The teacher plays the piano while encouraging students to be and sing at their best! Basic vocal techniques are introduced through the classic pop songs of Glee.

6065.501 Jan. 12–Feb. 16
6065.502 Feb. 23–Mar. 29
❖ Th., 6:40–7:30 pm
❖ \$132.50 / Dist. Res. \$117.50
(+\$10 lab fee payable to instructor)

Voice Lessons...

Songs of a Princess

(4–7 yrs) (6 weeks)
Sing the songs from timeless, animated fairy-tails! Class focus is for each Princess to improve and build a strong voice and fond memories of a magical age. Midway through each class students will enjoy a tea party fit for royalty, so plan to attend in Princess attire. A tote filled with musical and Princess accessories is given to each student!

6063.501 Jan. 14–Feb. 18
6063.502 Feb. 25–Mar. 31
❖ Sat., 11:30 am–12:20 pm
❖ \$132.50 / Dist. Res. \$117.50
(+\$10 lab fee payable to instructor)



The popular activities listed are only part of the extensive programs to be offered this Summer.

Pre-School Begins in June

Summer Tots (2½–3½ yrs)

❖ Tue/Th, 9:30 am–noon

Mini-Daycamp (3 to 4 yrs)

❖ Tue–Th, 9:30 am–noon

Pre-School Summer Camp (3½–5 yrs)

❖ Tue–Th, 9:30 am–noon

Daycamp for Little People (4–6 yrs)

❖ Mon–Th, 12:30–3 pm

Youth & Teen Begins in June

Adventure Kids Camp

(Grades 1–5) Mon–Fri, 7 am–6 pm
Watch for flyers at your school and in the Spare Time Spotlight summer issue.

Specialty Camps

(K–Grade 5)
Watch for flyers at your school and in the Spare Time Spotlight summer issue.

Teen Scene Xtreme Camp

(Entering Grades 6–9)
❖ Mon–Fri, 9 am–5:30 pm

Recreation Summer School '12

(Grades 1–8) June 26–Aug. 2
❖ Tue–Th, 9:30 am–12:20 pm
Information available in schools in mid-March. Mail-in registration mid-April.

Summer Jobs

Jobs for adults, high school, and college-age students. Positions open include:

- ❖ Youth leaders
- ❖ Lifeguards and swim instructors

Note: See page 10 for Lifeguard and Water Safety courses.

Apply now at the Administration Office, 147 Gregory Lane.

- ❖ For Youth, call Pam Lischeske, 680-5298
- ❖ For Aquatics, call Korey Riley, 682-0896, ext. 19
- ❖ For Recreation Summer School 2012, call Dodie Jones, 937-7812

