4 YEAR OLDS

Adventure Cheekwood (4)
Through exciting art projects inspired by the gardens and a daily storytime, this special camp will introduce your child to camper-only sessions. Campers will activate their senses on daily nature walks and experiment with different art-making materials each day. All participants must be fully potty trained and 4 years old by the start of their camp session. There is no exception to this policy.

5-7 YEAR OLDS

Bugs & Blooms (5-7)
In this all-time favorite class, campers will explore Cheekwood’s gardens to find artistic inspiration before venturing into the studio to make their own crafts and creatures. Campers will learn about insects, plants and bugs in the gardens in addition to creating beautiful artwork. This class combines time outdoors, weather permitting, with time in the studio. Please Note: This is an art camp and campers will not handle any insects.

Earth Art (5-7)
Explore Cheekwood’s gardens and forage for found art materials in this environmentally focused class. While learning about the colors and shapes found in nature, campers will create one of a kind works of art with natural materials from the environment.

Garden Sprouts (5-7)
Discover the many wonders of the natural world! Cultivate a love of nature and gardening through exploration, experimentation and art. We will plant seeds and explore their parts, learn about the life cycle of plants, search for garden critters on nature walks through the new Children’s Garden, and create art projects inspired by the garden. Campers will spend time outdoors, weather permitting, in addition to time in the classroom.

Introduction to Clay (5-7)
Explore the exciting world of clay! Campers will expand their imagination and practice a variety of hand building and sculpting techniques, as well as learn to glaze and fire their own ceramic work. Please note that students will not work on the pottery wheel during this class.

Mighty Masters (5-7)
Discover master artists and explore their unique art forms! From Van Gogh and Pollock to Warhol and Chihuly, mighty masters will create their own masterpieces using paint, collage and sculpture.

Reduce, Reuse, Reimagine (5-7)
Think green! Explore the world of creative reuse by taking recycled materials and reimagining them. Transform recyclables, toss-ables and art materials into masterpieces with the help of Turnip Green Creative reuse.

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Let’s Paint! (5-7)
Explore the fundamentals of paint and learn about different styles of painting using tempera, watercolor and acrylic paint. Practice new techniques, mix colors, experiment, and have a blast expressing yourself!

Studio Sampler (5-7)
Calling all budding artists! Working with a variety of materials, campers will sample a wide array of art processes including painting, collage and sculpture. This camp offers the perfect chance to try out several different mediums and discover new ways to express your unique creativity.

NEW! Chihuly: Colorful Creations (5-7)
Campers will venture into the gardens and the galleries to view and learn about the artwork of Dale Chihuly. They will discover shapes, colors, textures and more around Cheekwood and create Chihuly inspired art. Campers will explore their own creative process using a variety of paints, mixed media sculpture and drawing.

NEW! Pond Life (5-7)
Become an aquatic ecologist as you explore the various water ecosystems around Cheekwood. Campers will observe the turtles in the new Children’s Garden, explore pond life and learn about the plants and animals that are a part of the ecosystem. These discoveries will inspire art projects including mixed-media paintings, collage and more. Campers will spend time outdoors, weather permitting, in addition to time in the classroom.

NEW! Wearable Art (5-7)
Campers will enjoy timeless activities like tie-dye and will also learn new techniques such as felting and stamping. From shirts and hats to bags and other accessories, campers will discover a lot about art-making and their own style!

8-10 YEAR OLDS

Clay Fundamentals (8-10)
Discover the basics of hand building and throwing on the wheel. From learning the fundamentals and throwing their own cylinders, bowls, and plates to exploring underglazes and textures, campers will do it all. No prior experience is necessary.

Comics & Cartoons (8-10)
Give your drawings a comical spin in this introduction to cartooning techniques and storytelling. Campers will gain valuable experience in thumbnail sketching, page layout, and character design and development. By the end of the week, campers will have created their own characters and illustrated their own comic.

Eco-Discovery (8-10)
Learn about the delicate balance in the great web of life with daily exploration of Cheekwood’s woodlands, ponds, and gardens. Campers will play games and create art inspired by their discoveries on the reopened Sculpture Trail, in the new Children’s Garden, and everywhere in between. Campers will spend time outdoors, weather permitting, in addition to time in the classroom.

Painting Techniques (8-10)
Whether you are a practiced artist or picking up a paintbrush for the first time, this class is the perfect opportunity to develop new skills. Experiment with tempera, watercolor and acrylic paints while practicing brushwork, mixing colors, and working with different surfaces. Campers will spend time outdoors using the garden as inspiration, weather permitting, in addition to time in the classroom.

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Textile Fundamentals (8-10)
Explore the basics of the fascinating world of textile art. From creating woven wall hangings to making wearable items, campers will work with a wide range of media including fabrics, paints, dyes, fibers and yarn.

S.T.E.A.M. (8-10)
Join us for a week of creative fun as we bring Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math together. Come ready to think outside of the box as you design, build and experiment your way through unique activities and projects.

NEW! Chihuly: Dynamic Designs (8-10)
Venture into the gardens and the galleries and explore the large-scale installations of Chihuly at Cheekwood. Campers will take an in-depth look at the art fundamentals Dale Chihuly uses in designing, creating and assembling his work. Daily trips to view Chihuly’s work will in turn inspire camper masterpieces made with watercolor, paint, mixed media and more.

NEW! Illustration Fundamentals (8-10)
Campers will learn about the various types and techniques of illustration along with its history and put them to practice. Throughout the week campers will be given prompts and various exercises to help them explore the world of illustration. Campers will work with various mediums including pencil, pen-and-ink, watercolor, collage and more.

NEW! Wearable Art (8-10)
Create your own style! Campers will enjoy timeless activities like tie-dye, and will also learn new techniques such as felting and stamping. From shirts and hats to bags and other accessories, campers will discover a lot about art making and their own style!

NEW! Pond Life (8-10)
Become an aquatic ecologist as you explore the various water ecosystems around Cheekwood. Campers will observe the turtles in the new Children’s Garden, explore pond life, learn about the plants and animals that are a part of the ecosystem and talk about the health of our ponds. These discoveries will inspire art projects including mixed-media paintings, collage and more. Campers will spend time outdoors, weather permitting, in addition to time in the classroom.

11 & UP

HALF DAY CAMPS

Clay Fundamentals (11 & Up)
Discover the basics of hand building and throwing on the wheel. From learning the fundamentals and throwing their own cylinders, bowls, and plates to exploring underglazes and textures, campers will do it all. No prior experience is necessary.

Creative Sketchbook (11 & Up)
Campers will receive a new sketchbook and fill it with art, personal stories, and their own thoughts or experiences. Using Cheekwood’s beautiful art and gardens for inspiration, campers will express themselves with techniques like pen and ink drawing, watercolor painting, collage, and photo transfer.

New! Relief Printing with Hatch Show Print (11 & Up)

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Explore the wonderful world of relief printing as Hatch Show Print, a 140-year-old letterpress poster shop, comes to Cheekwood for a week of printmaking. Campers will learn about the history of Hatch Show Print and will use antique presses to create their own limited-edition prints. Campers will learn the basics of typesetting by hand, create and hand carve imagery or graphic elements for printing. No prior printmaking experience is necessary.

NEW! Creative Writing (11 & Up)
Paint pictures with words by crafting imaginative stories and poetry. Surrounded by Cheekwood’s peaceful and inspirational gardens, campers will explore forming narratives and experimenting with core elements of storytelling like style, structure and point of view. Campers will improve reading, writing, and performance skills and increase their confidence and poise in sharing their thoughts and talents with others.

NEW! Chihuly: Igniting Inspiration (11 & Up)
Venture into the gardens and galleries to explore the large-scale installations of Chihuly at Cheekwood. Learn about the history of glass blowing and take an in-depth look at Dale Chihuly’s work. Campers will discuss how he creates his pieces and what inspires him as an artist before creating some Chihuly-inspired pieces as well as self-inspired artwork. Campers will be working with mediums beyond glass.

FULL DAY CAMPS
Note: Camps will run from 9AM-4PM and include lunch care.

Painting Techniques (11 & Up)
Whether you are a practiced artist or are picking up a paintbrush for the first time, this class is the perfect opportunity to develop new skills. Campers will be introduced to the foundations of painting and experiment with various paints and surfaces. They will paint outside in the gardens and work on their techniques inside the studios. Through the various projects, campers will work on during the week, they will gain practical knowledge that will help guide their art making. These camps will be offered at the full day rate of $298 for members and $372 for nonmembers, includes lunch care, and will remain at that rate throughout the summer or until camps are sold out.

NEW! Drawing & Illustration (11 & Up)
Campers will experiment with different drawing mediums while learning about the basics of drawing and the various types of illustration. Campers will learn to draw faces, landscapes, and botanicals while working on composition, shading, perspective and more. Each day will include an opportunity for free drawing where campers can work on a subject of their choice. This camp is for those wanting to improve upon skills they already possess as well as those just starting out with drawing and illustration. These camps will be offered at the full day rate of $298 for members and $372 for nonmembers, includes lunch care, and will remain at that rate throughout the summer or until camps are sold out.