



ABOUT VMFA'S SUMMER ART ADVENTURES FOR KIDS

Experience adventures in art, culture, and creativity in VMFA's Art Education Center and galleries! Art camps are carefully tailored to your child's specific age group and taught by professional artists and educators. Each five-day camp provides access to quality supplies and a world-renowned art collection, inspiring young artists to create, learn, grow, explore, and *have fun!*

Ages 5–6, 7–9, and 10–12 years old (for teen summer classes visit www.vmfa.museum/teens/studio)

Dates Jul 6–Aug 28

Times M–F, 9 am–noon or 1–4 pm (*Connect-a-Camp* option available, noon–1pm; some restrictions may apply)

Tuition \$130 per camp (VMFA members \$115); \$20 per *Connect-a-Camp* (VMFA member \$18)

Register Online at www.vmfa.museum, phone 804.340.1405, or visit the VMFA Visitor Services desk during public hours

WHAT TO BRING

EMERGENCY FORM The **Emergency Form** must be completed by a parent or guardian and submitted in-person on the first day of every camp. If your child is registered for multiple camps, we recommend making copies. Extra forms are also available onsite.

Medical Notice: VMFA Youth Studio Instructors are not authorized to administer medications orally or by injection. If a student is to self-carry a medication, it must be noted on the **Emergency Form**. If your child has an allergy of any kind, it is important to inform VMFA staff on the first day of camp. If your child has a serious life-threatening allergy, you should remain on campus while your child is participating in the program. In the event of an emergency, VMFA Security will attend to the situation promptly and accordingly, and a staff person will immediately attempt to reach the parent or guardian.

PHOTO ID All authorized adults planning to pick up children from camp are required to show a valid ID during checkout each day.

SNACK (OPTIONAL) Campers may bring a small, healthy snack to eat or drink during their daily break, if desired.

Food & Allergy Notice: For the health and safety of others, students cannot share food. We also ask that caregivers be mindful of other children who may have potentially life-threatening allergies. To reduce the risk of accidental exposure, please avoid bringing foods with traces of peanuts, tree nuts, or other common allergen products. Snacks and lunches will be stored in designated bins.

LUNCH (CONNECT-A-CAMP PARTICIPANTS ONLY) Campers who attend **Connect-a-Camp** must bring a bagged lunch from home. Please read the **Food & Allergy Notice** above.

ART SUPPLIES VMFA provides all art supplies and tools needed for each camp, however, students are sometimes encouraged to bring additional supplies when noted under class descriptions (check online for updates).

WHERE TO GO

PARKING Allow ample time to park and check in before the start of camp, especially on the first day. The **VMFA Deck** parking is free for members or \$5 for nonmembers. For city street parking, we recommend N Boulevard. Please note that parking is prohibited in the Entry Plaza, or fire lane.

CAMP LOCATION Camps take place in the **MWV Art Education Center** studios inside the museum (or the Pauley Center building for teen summer classes). VMFA staff will be onsite to help direct visitors. We strongly recommend that caregivers familiarize themselves and their children with the area prior to the first day of camp.

Camps before 10am: Use the **Student Entrance** (left of the main entrance) to access the **Art Education Center**, as the rest of the building is closed to the public. (VMFA hours of operation are Mon–Sun, 10 am–5 pm, with extended hours Thu–Fri until 9 pm.)

WHAT TO WEAR

ART ATTIRE Wear clothes that are appropriate for an art studio (not something that could be ruined during class). Comfortable, closed-toed shoes are recommended. We also encourage dressing in layers or bringing a long-sleeved shirt—while it may be hot outside, it's often cool inside!

VMFA T-SHIRT Campers receive a free VMFA t-shirt on the first day of camp, which they will decorate and use as an art smock throughout the week. On the last day, children are welcome to take their shirts home as a souvenir.

CAMP POLICIES + PROCEDURES

CHECK-IN Don't forget the **Emergency Form** on the first day of camp! Additionally, a parent or authorized adult is required to check in to the Art Education Center daily by filling out the **Attendance Sheet** with the student's name, the contact for that day, and the name of the adult scheduled to pick up your child.

Note: If your child is dropped off without being checked in to the Art Education Center, a staff person will contact you immediately to pick your child up. As a result, the student will lose his or her place in the program and will not be permitted to return.

CHECK-OUT When campers are ready for dismissal, a staff person will ask you to present a photo identification and initial the **Attendance Sheet** to verify pick-up. Until then, please wait patiently beyond the studio for the camp to end and for a staff person to assist you. Students need time to finish projects, clean up, and review the day's lesson; visitors standing within view of the studios can sometimes be a distraction.

TIMELY PICKUP Pick-up time begins promptly at the end of camp (either noon or 4pm). Late pick-ups may result in dismissal from the program. If your child is not picked up within 10 minutes, VMFA staff will attempt to reach you, the pick-up person for that day, and other contacts. If no one can be reached within 30 minutes, the student will be escorted to the front security desk and staff will determine the next course of action. If you are running late, leave a message at **804.340.1438** and **804.340.1331**.

CANCELLATION POLICY Be sure to mark your calendar and save your confirmation email upon registering for camp(s). Refunds for missed programs are not available. **For summer camps only:** VMFA charges \$30 to transfer (but only if another camp is available), and deducts \$50 of the registration cost per cancellation. **Transfers and cancellations must be made at least two weeks (or ten business days) prior to the start of camp; otherwise, full payment is required. No exceptions apply.**

CAMP CONDUCT

Parents and guardians are responsible for reviewing the following information with their children before the start of camp.

RULES

1. Practice safety in the studios and galleries
2. Be kind and respectful to teachers and classmates
3. Help clean up after every project
4. Take part in all activities
5. Have fun! 😊

CONSEQUENCES

- 1st Teacher speaks with student about inappropriate behavior
- 2nd Student sits out for quiet time and teacher speaks with parent/guardian after camp
- 3rd Student may be removed from program entirely and/or may only be readmitted if a caregiver accompanies the student for next full day of camp

Note: Please do not allow your child to bring toys and other distractions into the studio. Students cannot use cell phones during camp, unless permitted by the instructor for educational purposes only. If your child carries a phone or mobile device, it must be off or on silent.

SCHOLARSHIPS

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM A select number of scholarships are available for summer camps. Phone **804.340.1331** or email youthstudio@vmfa.museum to request an application form.

EVALUATIONS

Students and/or parents may be asked to complete a survey at the end of camp. We value your opinion and would greatly appreciate your taking the time to help us improve our program and exceed your expectations.

QUESTIONS

EMAIL youthstudio@vmfa.museum

PHONE 804.340.1331 or 804.340.1438

EMERGENCY INFORMATION FORM | VMFA YOUTH & TEEN SUMMER STUDIO PROGRAMS

Student's Full Name _____ Gender Female Male

Prefers To Be Called _____ Age _____ D.O.B. ____ / ____ / ____

Title of Camp/Class*

**A new form is collected at the beginning of every camp/class in order for the instructor to retain immediate access to your child's up-to-date, emergency information. If your child is attending multiple classes and the information remains the same, we recommend making copies.*

Parent/Guardian _____ Cell/Primary # _____

Street Address _____ Secondary # _____

City, State, Zip Code _____ Email _____

Other Emergency Contact _____ Cell/Primary # _____

Relationship to Student _____ Secondary # _____

Other Person(s) Authorized to Pick-up Student *(You may include family members, carpool drivers, friends, etc.)*

1. Name _____ Phone # _____ Relationship _____

2. Name _____ Phone # _____ Relationship _____

3. Name _____ Phone # _____ Relationship _____

Pick-up Notice: *Students (under 13 yrs) must be picked up promptly at the end of class by an authorized pick-up person with a Photo ID. Late departures may result in dismissal from the program. If your child is not picked up within 10 minutes, VMFA staff will attempt to contact you, followed by the other contact and authorized pick-up person(s). If VMFA staff cannot reach contacts within 30 minutes, the student will be escorted to security staff who will then determine the next course of action. If you are running late, call 804.340.1438 and 804.340.1331.*

Family/Primary Doctor _____ Office Phone # _____

Dentist (optional) _____ Office Phone # _____

Insurance Provider _____ Insurance ID # _____

Known Allergies _____ Reactions _____

Medical Conditions _____ Current Medications _____

Developmental Conditions _____ Special Needs _____

Do you have any additional information to share with the teacher that would help your child have a successful camp experience?

"I certify that the information provided above is accurate. I have read and understand the content provided in the Studio Programs Information Sheet and have reviewed the Studio Rules and Consequences with my child. My child has permission to participate in all program activities. While VMFA and its instructors make every effort to provide a safe learning environment, I understand that there is always the risk of an accident. I will not hold the museum responsible for any accident or injury that may result during these activities. In the event of any medical emergency, I authorize VMFA Security Staff to administer first aid and/or to seek emergency medical treatment for my child."

Parent/Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____