



The Big Schedule

PCAC 2026 Summer Arts Camps

Register online 24/7 www.plymoutharts.com

The PCAC is located at 774 N. Sheldon Road at Junction Street in Plymouth, Michigan 734.416.4278

We register until the Thursday before each camp week begins or until the camp is full!

Lunch option available for all camps. Need based scholarships are available. Email lisa@plymoutharts.com to apply. AND Don't miss the All Summer Camp Art Show in August!

June 15 - June 19, 2026

Experiment With Art!

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 7-12 Member \$210/NM\$225

Welcome to our most popular summer camp! Some new projects and lots of classic favorites with a twist... dress for the mess! A total hands on experience where students will be mixing up concoctions for experimental art projects, and using traditional materials in new ways limited only by their imagination...shaving cream, super slime and friends that love the mess as much as they do!

Magic & The Art of Performance

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 9-15 Member \$210/NM\$225

Beginning, Intermediate and Year-Three Magic Camp students are all welcome! PCAC theater art staff joins together with the Ann Arbor Magic Club for a third year of camp for young entertainers! Students will hone their performance arts skills, learn new magic and juggling tricks, while gaining confidence on stage and behind the mic. Our experienced theater staff will guide students in creating their signature moves, catch phrases, costume pieces and magical character, while leading the class with favorite theater games, creative vocal readings, and comedic monologues! We'll share our favorite pieces in a showcase for friends and family on Friday at 11:30am. Class size is limited. Sensory and allergy alert: We will be using latex balloons.

Art Journaling

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Ages 11-17 Member \$210/NM\$225

Get started on a new art journal* this summer or add to one that you already have! Each day our instructor will present a new idea, technique or daily page inspiration. We will explore cover designs and closures, metal foils and textures, hand lettering, collage materials, vintage papers, pens and markers, metallic inks and watercolor, original character additions, pockets, translucent elements, printmaking and stencils.

Pottery & Ceramics

1:00 AM - 4:00 PM Ages 8-14 Member \$225/NM \$240

This clay hand-building camp was designed for students who want to learn to construct basic forms and then take them to the next level with custom details, cool textures and glazing techniques! Students can expect to make 4-6 functional or decorative finished projects, with Friday reserved for glazing them all. Pottery may be picked up 2-3 weeks after class is over.

June 22 - June 26, 2026.....

Film Making - Tell Your Story

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 10-17 Member \$225/NM \$240

Both experienced movie-makers and those who are just starting out will enjoy this camp! Instructor and local film-maker Jenn Teed and production assistants will help campers learn all about their equipment and demo cool techniques, including stop motion animation, that will take their films to the next level. On site props and indoor/outdoor settings offer students a chance to come up with imaginative films that tell a story. Students should bring their own film recording device with a memory card or cord.

Young Artists - Studio Art

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 5-7 Member \$210/NM\$225

This summer camp is all about having fun in the studio while learning new art techniques. All of our young artist camps invite students to use their imagination and practice fine motor skills while experimenting with a variety of media- clay, paint, sculpture and collage. No worries here about "getting things right".

Art Trends & City Spaces

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Ages 11-17 Member \$210/NM\$225

This cool new workshop will explore new art trends like shoe design collabs and pop container branding along with mural design, interactive urban landscapes and multipurpose park structures. Perfect for artists who love the energy of downtown and like to think big. Projects include: Creating art for public spaces (& the PCAC!), summer festival planning, and event poster design.

Fantasticals & Mythicals

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Ages 8-14 Member \$210/NM\$225

New crypto, mythological and fantastical creatures for 2026! This mixed media camp will explore mythology, crypto-zoology and fantastical creatures from popular books and movies. Projects include colored pencil drawings, two and three dimensional projects using paper mache, metal foil, assemblage and clay, along with creating designs for some new fantastical Plymouth stone works!

June 29 - July 1, 2026 (MTuW).....

Drawing Studio - It's Alive!

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 8-13 Member \$130/NM \$140

A perfect camp for artists who can't stop drawing! We will start the day with fun drawing prompts then learn and practice shading, perspective, texture and line using all different kinds of papers and film. We will also experiment with line styles of famous illustrators in projects using graphite, colored pencil, and illustration markers. We will divide into elementary and middle school groups in order to provide the best instruction for all.

Young Artists - Stars & Stripes

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 5-7 Member \$130/NM \$140

Young artists will make lots of art to celebrate America's 250th Birthday! Stars and stripes Tshirts, Americana art, bike decorations, translucent suncatchers and more! Lots of creativity built in with no worries about getting things "right". All students will exhibit in our end of summer art show!

Pottery, Painting & Printmaking

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Ages 10-16 Member \$130/NM \$140

The Art Camp Big Three all together - perfect for artists who can't pick just one! We will do exciting projects in one media each day with the artist's choice of subject - print making on all different kinds of papers, acrylic painting on canvas, and a functional pottery piece finished with custom glazes. We will learn techniques for each material to make your art one of a kind!

July 8 - July 10, 2026 (WThF).....

Made2Share - Art Service Workshop

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 8-15 Member \$90/NM \$100

Modeled after our popular art-for-others service workshops, we will be making art together to share with others. JNHS and NHS students may earn 9 service hours during camp. Students will get to choose from meaningful projects including: inspirational rocks and signs, bookmarks, decorated food pantry grocery bags, little free art gallery pieces, pet toys, handmade cards for seniors and veterans, and tie dye T-shirts in the colors of Our Cause so we can spread the word about things that we believe in!

Paper Mache All Day!

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 8-15 Member \$130/NM \$140

Dress for the mess! We will use all kinds of bases, glues and papers to create 2D and 3D art using paper mache! Textured toweling, colored tissue, vintage maps and sheet music add interesting details to our forms, while paint, ink and metallic glazes give everything a one of a kind finish.

Optical Illusion Workshop

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Ages 10-17 Member \$130/NM \$140

This optical illusion-based camp inspired by MC Escher (and Detroit's new illusion museum!) will have artists playing with perspective, making simple and complex tessellations and creating artworks with transformative lines, impossible shapes and eye bending color. We will explore trick photography and design puzzling environments that stretch the imagination.

Young Artists - Build It!

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Ages 5-7 Member \$130/NM \$140

Young artists will learn fun techniques for building and balancing art structures in 3D using cardboard, paper, wire, clay and repurposed materials. Lots of creativity built in with no worries about getting things "right". All students will exhibit in our end of summer art show!

July 13 - July 17, 2026

Fashion Design & Fabric Arts

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 10-17 Member \$225/NM \$240

Back by popular demand! We will start each class with a new technique, creating a collection of work that students can continue after camp week ends. Some of our projects include upcycled fashion makeovers, custom bags, painted sneakers, Students must know how to thread a needle and tie a great knot! Please bring a pair of sneakers (any style) to paint. We will photograph student designs to display at our end of Summer Camp Art Show.

The Best of Michigan Made!

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 8-15 Member \$225/NM \$240

This art camp takes everything we love about Michigan and uses it as inspiration for some very cool art projects! In this session, we will create vinyl art, cerealism compositions, Urban art stencil tees, exciting team sport ball promotional pieces, Charles McGee inspired sculptures, clay Sand Dune creatures and more! Students will each exhibit a piece in the End of Summer Camp Art Show.

Cartooning & Comics

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Ages 9-15 Member \$210/NM\$225

Bring your stories to life through comics and cartooning with illustrator Lauren Nalepa! From story-telling games to creating characters and worlds, students will make sequential art telling stories of their own. We'll practice different inking and coloring techniques, learn about cool and creative panel and page designs, and create comics from a variety of media including a class collaborative comic that we bind into fun comic books on our last day.

Painting Studio

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Ages 10-16 Member \$225/NM \$240

In this workshop style studio class we will be learning techniques in acrylics and watercolors. Projects combine student-chosen subjects and creative styles inspired by famous artists and works from abstract and realistic to modern and experimental. We will be mixing a variety of art media in our work, too creating textured surfaces to paint on and using mixed media additions.

July 20 - July 24, 2026.....

Asian Art - Year of the Fire Horse!

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 8-16 Member \$210/NM\$225

We will celebrate the Year of The Fire Horse while making and learning about Asian cultural arts....design some OG Anime characters based on the elements, make ceramic clay sushi or snack plates, paint bubble tea canvases, make gyotaku fish prints, and fold origami all while . We will even try some snacks from the Asian market, with chopstick practice, of course - let us know if your student has allergies.

Mini Worlds

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Ages 8-15 Member \$210/NM\$225

Back again this year! For student artists that love miniature things and scene building, this is your camp! Make a fantasy world, animal habitat, mythological creature cave, art gallery for bugs, alien planets.... if you can dream it, you can make it! We will first design on paper and then move to 3D, creating themed mini worlds, along with tiny inhabitants, their small furnishings, and even art for the walls, all made by you! Artists will use paint, fabric, wood pieces and polymer clay as they design their own 3D mixed media cube box vignettes. Class size limited!

Printmaking Studio

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Ages 10-16 Member \$210/NM\$225

Get ready for an exciting week with all kinds of print making on all kinds of surfaces! Projects include manhole cover tshirts, linocuts, cyanotypes, collagraphs, layered stencil gelli plate prints, additive and subtractive plates...WOW. On the last day of camp we will create an album of our prints (and make ink marbled endpapers!) - and then of course leave some traditional standalones for framing! All students will add to the collaborative mural print for the Summer Art Camp Show!

Young Artists - Color Explosion!

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 5-7 Member \$210/NM\$225

This summer camp is all about color. We will get to experience clay, paint, sculpture and more while mixing and layering colors, inventing new ones and using them in our one of a kind projects. All of our young artist camps invite students to use their imagination and practice fine motor skills while experimenting with a variety of media. No worries here about "getting things right",.

July 27 - July 31, 2026.....

Wild Things-Animal Art

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 7-13 Member \$210/NM\$225

One of our most popular camps is back for 2026, created for kids who love animals and their pets and it sells out fast! Bring a few pictures of your favorite pet (or outdoor favorite/wild animal) for inspiration if you like - we will have lots of reference materials, too! We will be learning techniques to enhance our realistic animal drawings, think fur, feathers, scales, skin, noses and snouts, as well as create modern art posters, animal themed wearables, and pottery clay water bowls. Each camper will exhibit a piece in our End of Summer Camp Art Show!

Abstract Painting & Sculpture

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Ages 10-16 Member \$225/NM \$240

A combined painting and sculpture camp that explores big ideas and creative concepts. We will look at some famous 2D abstract artists - like Miro, Stella, Klee, and Kandinsky and then interpret that style with our own subjects in paint with mixed media components. Then mid-week, we will switch over to 3D art and create sculptures in wood, fabric and wire.

Character Design and Illustration

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Ages 9-15 Member \$210/NM\$225

From trading cards to clay figurines, this camp, led by talented anime illustrator and graphic novelist Lauren Nalepa will help bring your original characters to life! From hero and villain sets to book/movie cover illustrations and projects like paper figure design and collaborative character game line ups will take storytelling to the next level. We'll use illustration markers, technical pens and colored pencil to render our drawings this week with character planning activities and visual design templates that will help artists keep creating long after camp is done!

August 3 - August 7, 2026.....

Art in Miniature

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 8-13 Member \$210/NM\$225

If you love designing and crafting small things and sets, you will love this expansion of our popular Mini Worlds camp. We will have a different tiny-art focused project each day, using small scene backgrounds, boxes and containers that you customize in your own art style and theme, and then we will add pieces and props, figures and furnishings made from wood, stone, tile, glass, found objects and polymer clay. All materials are included. Class size limited!

Young Artists - Up North!

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 5-7 Member \$210/NM\$225

Designed especially for young artists, this mixed media studio class is inspired by Up North Michigan things...cool creatures, the woods, the greatest lakes, Petosky stone hunting and sand dunes. We will be using paint, pastels, clay, collage, and natural materials along with our imaginations, while getting lots of practice using our fine motor skills. No worries here about "getting things right".

Gardens & The Great Outdoors

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Ages 7-13 Member \$210/NM\$225

The great outdoors provides the inspiration for our Art+Science+Nature creations in this fun camp with staff from the PCAC and Plymouth Pollinators. Eco-gardening, nature drawing and insect art, seed bombs, landscape design and cyano printmaking are on the schedule with lots of projects made outside, weather permitting of course! Each student will exhibit a piece in our end of summer Art Show.

Foodie ArtVentures

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Ages 8-14 Member \$210/NM\$225

A definite art camp favorite with delicious new projects! We'll be working up our appetites creating food-themed art all week long. Projects will include pasta mosaics, giant candy art, Art Cafe painting designs, and mini food magnets! And of course on the last day of camp, we'll design our own candy company boxes and custom chocolates! (we will be using real candies and chocolate - no nuts!)

August 10 - August 14, 2026

Experiment With Art - The Sequel

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 7-12 Member \$210/NM\$225

Some new projects and lots of classic favorites with a twist... dress for the mess! A total hands on experience where students will be mixing up concoctions for experimental art projects, and using traditional materials in new ways limited only by their imagination! Among the fun will be...Slimes and clay, crazy pigments, shaving cream marbling and more - all alongside friends that love the mess as much as you do!

Light Up The Night!

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 8-14 Member \$210/NM\$225

We will be doing all new projects + our classic Ts in this stellar mixed-media art camp inspired by all things nocturnal, cosmic and celestial. We will make planetary orbs, moon creatures, milky way inspired constellation t-shirts, and create textured mixed media night sky canvases! And of course there will be things that glow...

Clay All Day

1:00 AM - 4:00 PM Ages 8-14 Member \$225/NM \$240

All new 2026 projects! This All Clay camp was designed for students who love hands on mixing, molding, texturizing, rolling, and glazing! Each day, we will learn about and use (or make!) a different kind of clay and create cool Ooak art projects! Paper clay, pottery clay, polymer clay, and more!

August 17 - August 21, 2026

Mosaics in Mixed Media

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 10-17 Member \$225/NM \$240

New projects for 2026! Learn all about making mosaics using different materials - tile, stones, paper, wood, glass, ceramics and found objects. Our instructor will guide students in shape modification and color selection, composition, surface prep and grouting as we apply materials to both flat and 3D surfaces.

Young Artists - Water Works

9:00 AM - Noon Ages 5-7 Member \$210/NM\$225

We have packed a whole week's worth of water themed art projects into a camp for kids who love the lake, rivers, oceans and pool along with amazing water creatures! Designed especially for young artists, this mixed media studio class invites kids to use their imagination, and practice fine motor skills while experimenting with a variety of media. Be ready to spend part of the day outside collecting materials and creating!

Art Structures

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Ages 9-14 Member \$225/NM \$240

If you like to build, sculpt, balance and design with all kinds of materials, this is the camp for you! We will experiment with foundations, material characteristics and joining techniques and then have fun with modular wood pieces, cardboard, paper, wire mesh and cool packaging forms that inspire art structures that are one of a kind!