



Art Blast Summer Camp Handbook

Welcome

Thank you for your interest in Art Blast Summer Camp at Mobile Museum of Art! Please spend some time carefully reading our camp policies. If you have further questions or concerns, call Kim Wood at 251-208-5212 or kwood@cityofmobile.org.

Location

Art Blast Summer Camp is held in the Education Wing at Mobile Museum of Art, 4850 Museum Drive, in Langan Park. You will enter through the Museum School entrance with the colorful columns on the side of the Museum. These doors are locked at all times; a Security Guard will be on post to let you in.

Content

Our camp offers a wide variety of art classes to choose from, including painting, ceramics, sculpture and drawing. We also offer dance and needlework. Please refer to the Art Blast registration brochure to see a lineup of all classes.

Ages

Art Blast classes are divided into three age groups: 4-7 year olds, 8-11 year olds and 12 and up. Students **must** have reached their 4th birthday before camp begins.

Camp Readiness

Please make sure your camper is ready for camp by asking yourself the following:

- Is my child able to follow age-appropriate verbal instructions?
- Will my child generally be able to follow simple directions and follow rules in an instructional setting?
- Is my child able to tend to personal needs, such as toileting and eating?

Art Blast rules are set to ensure the safety of all campers, and all children must be able to follow these rules. While we welcome the opportunity to accommodate students with special needs, we reserve the right to make decisions on whether or not we can reasonably accommodate any student's needs.

Art Blast Faculty

The faculty of Art Blast has been carefully selected for instruction as to grade level and area of expertise. All faculty members are working artists themselves or are certified art educators, most



with years of teaching experience. Our classes are small to ensure quality instruction for each child; please do not ask to add an additional student to a full class.

Volunteering at Art Blast

Art Blast Counselors consist of volunteers carefully selected from high schools and colleges in the area and receive service hours for their work. Counselors must be at least 15 years old and willing to work with teachers and children in an art classroom setting.

For more information about volunteering for Art Blast or any other program at MMofA, please call Kim Wood at 251-208-5212 or email kwood@cityofmobile.org.

Camp Hours, Drop-off, and Pick-up

Art Blast classes run 8-10am, snack break, 10am-12pm, supervised lunch hour from 12-1pm, 1-3pm, snack break, and 3-5pm. Parents should come in with their child(ren) and initial on the sign-in sheet. When picking up, parents should come in and initial on the sign-out sheet. The teacher will keep each child in the classroom until a parent goes in and gets him/her. You may bring your child as early as 7:45am for an 8am class; campers in the 1-5pm classes must be picked up as close to 5pm as possible. Please be aware that if you pick up your child early or run late for class, he or she may miss projects that cannot be made up.

Scheduling, Pricing, and Payment

MMofA offers half day and full day options to accommodate busy summer schedules. Full day schedules include 40 hours of instruction from 8 am – 5 pm and 1 hour supervised lunch. Half day campers have the option of choosing the AM sessions (8 am – 12 pm) or the PM sessions (1 – 5 pm). Half day schedules include 20 hours of instruction. **You will receive a 10% discount when signing up multiple children or for multiple classes.**

MMofA MEMBERS:

FULL DAY (4 classes per day) for one week:
\$200

HALF DAY (2 classes in either AM or PM) for
one week: \$150

NON-MEMBERS:

FULL DAY (4 classes per day) for one week:
\$275

HALF DAY (2 classes in either AM or PM) for
one week: \$180

All prices are for weekly classes; single day camps are not available. Fees must be paid in full prior to camp. Your payment is your reservation, and payment is accepted as long as there is space available in the class up until the Monday that the class begins. All art supplies are included in fees.



Cancellation and Refund Policy

The last day to cancel your registration with a full refund is one week in advance on the Monday prior to each camp session. Refunds are also issued if a particular class does not fill to its minimum capacity. Emergency cancellations and refunds are considered on an individual basis.

Snacks and Lunch

Each full day camper will bring two snacks and a lunch each day, **avoiding all peanut products**. Snack times are at 10am and at 3pm. No refrigerator, microwaves or vending machines are available to students. If the weather permits, we may eat lunch in the gazebo on Museum property. When too hot or raining, we'll watch an age-appropriate movie inside. Students are supervised at all times during snack and lunch break.

Health and Permission Slip

All students must have a health and permission form on file at the Museum. It will be included in online registration or in your confirmation letter, or you may fill one out on the first day of class. There is space to note any pertinent information that applies to your child, as well as to list all those authorized to pick up your child.

What to Wear

When choosing your child's outfit, please keep in mind that he or she will be using art materials that might splatter or stain. Shorts and T-shirts are acceptable attire. Please avoid shoes with wheels.

General Rules

- Please help us enforce our 'no cell phone use during class' policy.
- Leave all blankets and toys at home unless asked to bring an item for an art activity.
- Walk and use quiet voices in the hallways and in the classroom.
- Remember that creating art requires prep and clean up; campers will be expected to be a part of this process.
- All ceramics must be picked up by the last day of Art Blast unless specified otherwise.

These rules and guidelines have been developed for the security and safety of all campers and for optimal learning experiences. Please help us, the staff and faculty of Art Blast, provide a fun and inspirational environment for your children by supporting us in our efforts to maintain the policies outlined in this handbook.