

A Summer of Creativity at Arts@302

This summer, Arts@302's classrooms and studios were filled with imagination. Over four themed weeks, children ages 6 to 12 explored painting, sculpture, and mixed media through hands-on projects designed to stretch their skills and build confidence. Alongside these camps, Arts@302 also provides year-round classes giving children ongoing opportunities.

Our ~200 campers participated across the sessions, each built around a theme — *Ice Age Escapade*, *Elemental Mysteries*, *GLOW!*, and *Monsters vs. Machines*. Guided by teaching artists, participants rotated through four classes daily, experimenting with unfamiliar techniques. Each week concluded with a reception and exhibit, giving families the opportunity to view their work and allowing campers to see themselves as artists.



Campers created costumes and learned staging and choreography for Ice Age Escapade.



Our kids gallery opening offer family and friends the chance to see the beautiful pieces of art created by our young artists during camp.

In our surveys, a camper shared, *"The best part was showing my family what I made, I'm a real artist"*. A parent stated, *"Perfect amount of time, the variety of activities done and most importantly my daughter loved it. She made new friends, learned new skills and loved her instructors."* These sentiments capture what we often hear — the impact of camp extends beyond projects to confidence and friendships.

Sessions are capped at 48 participants per week. This ensures every child receives direct attention and access to the materials and guidance they need. At \$225 per week, tuition is kept deliberately lower than many comparable full-day arts programs. Philbrook Museum and YMCA camps often range from \$260–\$320 per week. Thanks to donor

support, Arts@302 can deliver a program on par with the city's leading institutions while keeping them accessible.

Still, tuition for both camps and year-round classes remains out of reach for some. Our current scholarship fund is limited, and each year we receive requests we cannot fully meet. With donor support, we can expand assistance and ensure that no young person is turned away.

For ARTSOK, camps and classes are more than summer activities. They are an investment in the future — a way to nurture curiosity and self-confidence. Just as Tuesdays in the Park fills the summer air with music, *Chalk It Up!* transforms Main Street into a canvas, and the Spotlight Series brings world-class performances to the community, Arts@302 camps and classes spark imagination on a personal level.

We are grateful to the donors and partners who make this possible. Because of you, Arts@302 continues to be a place where the next generation of artists begin their journey and art can be for everyone.



Kids build friendships, confidence, and creativity in every class and camp.