

An Invitation

Bring a teaching artist to your classroom! Connect, support and strengthen your core curriculum with CLASS art courses.

The Central California Art Association (CCAA) has over 60 years of experience supporting arts in the Central Valley. **Community Liaison for Art in Stanislaus Schools (CLASS)** is an ongoing program of the CCAA in accordance with its education and outreach goals.

CLASS teachers will bring art to children in ways that most classroom teachers can't. Whether its an unusual medium, technique, or wealth of background knowledge, our professional teaching artists are skilled at presenting visual arts in a positive way.

During CLASS courses, students will see and discuss well-known artists and works of art, as well as contemporary artists, and those from our own community. Many lessons integrate literature and other curriculum topics into the art lesson. Teaching artists can share a unique perspective on what it means to make art for a variety of purposes, whether its a career or for personal enrichment.

CLASS artists will challenge students to look at art as a part of every day life, analyzing and synthesizing visual information in our environment. The lessons learned while discussing and making art can translate into a lifetime of seeing the world through a lens of creativity, close observation, critical analysis and visual understanding.

What teachers are saying about CLASS:

"Kids love art and it really helps them learn."

"The instructor was very good with the students and they were engaged the whole time!"

"She (the teaching artist) took the time at each lesson to focus on a key artistic concept(s) i.e. lines, colors, shapes, space."

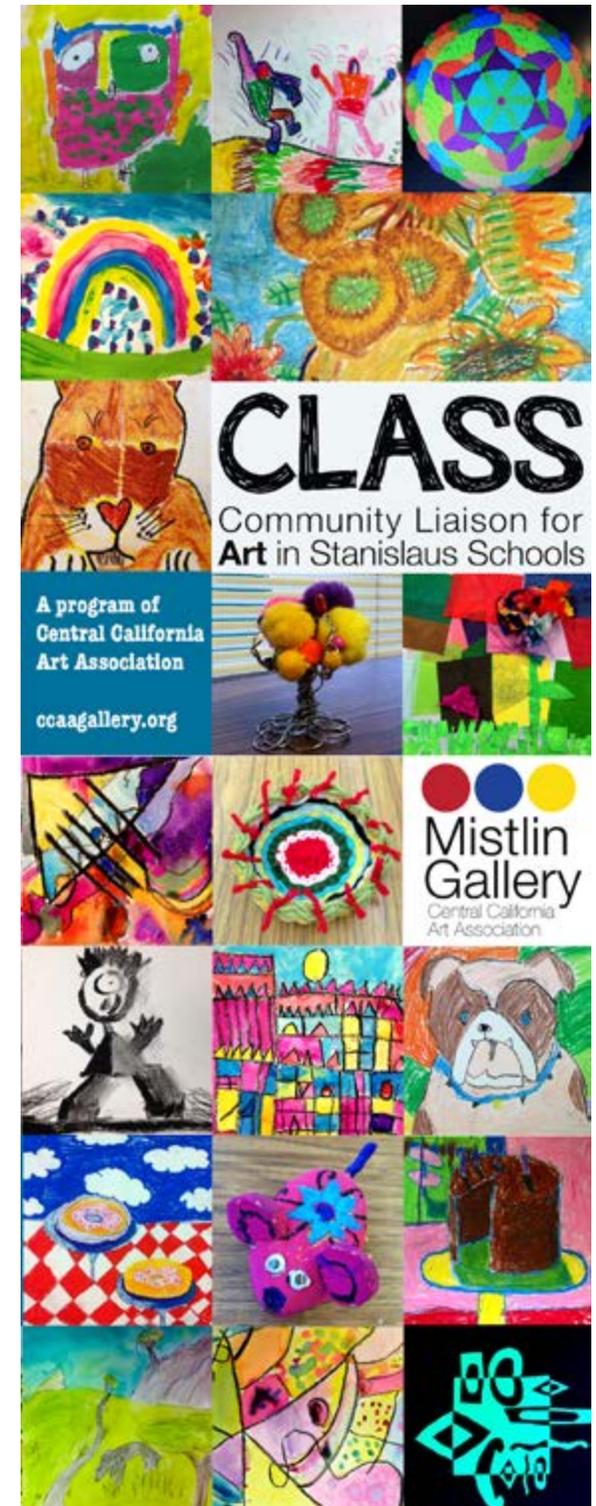
"I love having someone come in and teach thoroughly and with a purpose."



Rainbow Science, mixing primary colors, Kindergarten and 1st grade



Experimenting with line, shape and color in the style of Vassily Kandinsky, 3rd grade



A Brief Sampling of CLASS Courses

Kindergarten

Introduction to the Elements of Art

Four sessions devoted to introducing four elements of art: color, line, shape and texture.

Rock, Paper, Scissors

Using paper and clay, students will create collage and sculptural works that develop fine motor skills. 2 sessions.

1st Grade

Observing our Community

Students will create simple maps, observe and draw birds and other backyard wildlife, and make observational drawings of every day objects. 1-3 sessions.

People, Faces and Feelings

We will show students how to illustrate stories by drawing themselves, family and friends with expression and movement. 3 sessions.

2nd Grade

Nature and Art

Using several different art mediums, students will create works using close observation of natural objects. 3 sessions.



Symmetrical Butterfly, pastel, 2nd grade

Color, Color

Students will learn about the variety of ways we talk about color, then create works using different color combinations. 2-3 sessions.

3rd Grade

Life in Stanislaus County

Students will learn about the art traditions of our community while creating art based on our Native American tribes, native wildlife, and local waterways. 2-3 sessions.

Animal Investigation

Based on animals they research, students will create an animal portrait. Can be extended to a poster/infographic project. 2 sessions.

4th Grade

California Landscapes

Students will create a landscape painting or drawing from each of the four main geographical areas. 4 sessions.

California Art and Artists

Students will create art based on the work of California artists from the past and present and artists from the community. 1-3 sessions.

5th Grade

Concepts in Science

Using inspiration from concepts such as molecular structure, vascular systems, water sheds, weather, and the solar system, students will create an abstract artwork. 2 sessions.

Light and Shadow

Students learn to use shading to create 3-dimensional form, then imagine creative characters that can be built from those forms. 2 sessions.

6th Grade

Surrealist Eye

Students will study Rene Magritte's "False Mirror" and create their own "eye" with self expression using pastels and watercolors. 1 session.



Plaster Mask, 6th grade

Any Grade - Art of the Masters

Choose from an extensive list of famous artists whose styles and works will be examined, then used as inspiration for our own creative art.

To request a complete list of classes, please email class.ccaa@gmail.com



California Landscape Painting, tempera, 4th grade

How to Schedule Courses

Each art session is one hour and includes a hands-on activity. Courses can be scheduled to fit your available time and budget. Full course descriptions may be requested, as well as visual arts standards and connections to core curriculum.

Fees for CLASS courses are \$50 per one-hour session. Schools have the option to purchase their own materials or have our teaching artists bring them. Material cost estimates are available on request.

To begin the scheduling process download a **CLASS Interest Form** from our website at <http://ccaagallery.org/classartinschools/> or contact coordinator, Linda Knoll, at 209-247-2626. Send email requests to class.ccaa@gmail.com



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