

The Award-Winning Arts Education Programs for Gifted and Talented Students Open to Public, Private & Home Schooled Students Grade 6 through Grade 12

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### About The Arts High & Arts Middle School Programs

The Arts High & Arts Middle School are special release-time programs for gifted and talented teens. They are administered by the Arts & Education Center, which has been operating the program in Middlesex County for the past 39 years. The Monmouth County Arts High School Program began in January 2004, and the Arts Middle School program in 2006. A similar Arts High and Middle Schoolprogram for school districts in Union County begins this year!



Students are selected for the program by audition. Those accepted into the program will receive classes in the literary, performing and visual arts, taught by distinguished teaching artists. The classes are taught at an advanced level and provide a rigorous curriculum for developing artistic skills and creative expression in the art form of the student's choice.

Arts High School classes are held from January to May, on Monday afternoons, from 1:30-4:30 pm for a fourteen week term. Arts High School is open to students in 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Arts Middle School classes are held from February to May, on Thursday afternoons, from 1:30-4:30 pm for a twelve week term. Arts Middle School is open to students in 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

Students will be released from their regular school classes to attend the Arts High or Arts Middle School classes. Students

who are accepted into programs are responsible for making up any school work they might miss as a result of their participation. Students participating in the Arts High or Arts Middle School programs come from public and non-public school districts, and home schooled students throughout Monmouth County. Arts High Classes are held at Brookdale Community College in Lincroft, NJ. Arts Middle School classes are held at Henry Hudson Regional School, in Highlands, NJ. Roundtrip transportation is made available from the student's regular school to the program sites.

### **College Credit**

Many of the courses in the Arts High School program can be taken for college credit. The courses have been accredited by Brookdale Community College. These credits are transferable to other colleges that accept Brookdale Community College credits. Students who register for college credit, and successfully complete their courses will receive a letter grade (in addition to an Honors, Good, Pass or Fail grade) and three college credits. **Courses taken for credit require payment of an additional tuition fee to Brookdale Community College.** 

### **Fees**

School districts participating in the Monmouth County program will release students from school each week to attend the program. Most participating school districts pay tuition and bus transportation fees for their students. (Other participating school districts allow students to attend but students must pay the tuition and bus transportation fees.) Check with your school district or contact the Arts & Education Center for latest information on the current tuition fees. Students are responsible for payments of an audition fee (\$50 for one artform or \$70 for two artforms) and an enrollment fee of \$65 which is payable once a student is accepted into the program. Students may audition for more than one art form in the same season, but will be selected for only one course of study. There is an additional materials fee of \$45 for students in Visual Arts, Filmmaking & Photography classes. Contact the Arts & Education Center for information Center for information.

### **Grades**

Students will receive a grade of Honors, Good, Pass or Fail based on their performance in class. Students who successfully complete the course with a passing grade will receive a Certificate of Achievement. Students receiving an Honors Grade in their class will receive a Certificate of Honor. Student performance reports are forwarded to their sending schools for credit towards graduation (where applicable) and notation on the student's school transcript.

### **Applications**

Interested students should file an application with the Arts & Education Center before the November 15 deadline. Applications are available within this catalogue, or students may apply online at www.ArtsHigh.net

Additional catalogues are available from the Arts & Education Center.

### Audition / Workshop / Portfolio Review Date

Audition / workshops / portfolio reviews for the Arts High School & Arts Middle School will be held on Saturday, December 7, 2019. The audition schedule and audition instructions will be posted online at www.ArtsHigh.net after November 15, 2019. Audition results will be mailed to applicants and their sending schools in late December. (No student will be admitted for an audition without prior registration.)

### For Additional Information

Call or write: Arts & Education Center, 154 Main Street, Suite 102, Matawan, NJ 07747. Tel: 732-566-ARTS (2787) Fax: 732-566-2005 Email:info@artsandedcenter.org Web site: www.ArtsHigh.net.

## Arts Middle School Classes

### Creative Writing (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

This class explores various approaches to writing poetry, short stories, and plays. We will search for memory, imagination, expression and creative language usage. Students will work on plot and character development, dramatic expression, and will seek opportunities for performance in the

classroom. Students are expected to exhibit a love of reading, of sharing ideas, speaking out, and writing. Literary works relative to the course will be discussed.

### Film Making (6<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

The course is designed as a building block to develop a student's career in filmmaking. Whether a student is new to filmmaking or comes with previous experience, this class will help them develop their skills. Each session includes hands-on projects that will address pre-production, directing with the camera, screenwriting essentials, camera operations, lighting with available light and introduction to editing.



### Jazz Improv (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

This course is designed to give instrumental-

ists experience in improvising and performing in a small jazz ensemble. We will cover a variety of jazz styles including blues, bebop, hard bop and Latin jazz styles. Class members will learn to develop their own improvisational jazz language through listening, written music, and playing in class. Students can expect weekly practice assignments and regular jazz listening. The course is open to students who play brass, winds, strings, percussion and keyboard.

### Modern Dance (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

This course covers the basic fundamentals of Modern Dance, incorporating the core techniques of ballet with improvisational elements. The first period consists of a dance technique class. The second period concentrates on the elements of choreography through improvisation. The study of major choreographers and dance companies will be included, together with student reports and critiques.

#### Musical Theatre (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

This course will focus on the development of good Broadway style performance skills in voice, acting and dance. Students auditioning for this class must demonstrate ability in all three areas.

# Photography, The Art Of (6<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

This course will feature hands on technical skills in portraiture, lighting, still life, etc. Discussions on the world of fine art photography, galleries, and gallery presentation. Weekly assignments and open critiques. Students must have access to a camera with adjustable settings.

#### Theatre Arts (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

#### These Theatre Arts classes

consist of developing the students' basic acting tools – their voice and bodies as well as possibilities of expression. Improvisation will help students loosen up and grow comfortable in front of an audience.

### Visual Arts Anime / Manga Drawing (6<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

A fascinating subject that many professional animators have captured online, on TV and in video games. Anime, a word for Japanese animation, includes comics called manga with fictional characters that exaggerate the human form. The class centers around the figure, where anatomy, construction and movement are studied in conjunction with each other. In addition to figure construction, students learn about costume design, gesture, facial expression, inking and color techniques.

### Visual Arts (Drawing and Painting) (6<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

The Drawing and Painting course will give serious students an opportunity to develop their technical skills and explore the creative process with a wide range of materials. Different techniques and approaches will be introduced, helping the students to develop new methods of self-expression.

#### Vocal Music (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

A creative approach to vocal technique, this vocal music class will include breathing, placement, sight singing and music reading / theory. Students will work on singing solo numbers as well as in groups. Special attention to building confidence and working together cooperatively will be important parts of the class.



### **Arts High School Classes**

### Acting (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)

Students will be partnered with other students in the class to work on scripted scenes. Through exercises and critical feedback the students will learn professional techniques to develop interesting and truthful characters in a variety of settings and situations dictated by the written script. **THIS COURSE CAN BE TAKEN FOR COLLEGE CREDIT** 

(All students may take this course. Only Juniors & Seniors can apply for college credit.)

### Creative Writing (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)

This class is designed for students who have already mastered a proficiency in writing fiction, plays or poetry. This course is an on-going writer's workshop in a professional setting. Students are responsible for providing copies of their work to be read in class. Students are also required to contribute to the annual Arts High literary publication and to submit a portfolio of their work on the last day of the course.

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### Jazz Improv (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)

This course is open to students who play winds, strings, percussion and keyboard. Players develop their inner senses to create improvisational music. Attention will be spent on developing of performance on one's instrument without written music. Listening assignments and a final exam will also be included. **THIS COURSE CAN BE TAKEN FOR COL-LEGE CREDIT** 

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### Modern Dance (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)

This course provides development in Modern Dance through theory and practical application. It emphasizes the practice of composition skills, clarity of movement, initiation, body articulation, and dynamics of performance and focuses on the development of small group work and solos, including form and structure. Written reports must be submitted.

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### Photography, The Art Of (9th-12th Grade)

This hands-on course will help students find and develop their personal vision, as they become more sophisticated fine arts photographers. Hands on technical skills in portraiture, lighting, still life, etc. Discussions on the world of fine-art photography, galleries and gallery presentation. Weekly assignments and open critiques. Students must have access to a camera with adjustable settings.

### Poetry (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)

This course will place special emphasis on the creation and performance of student poems. The poetic devices of metaphor, imagery and sound will be explored. Students are required to contribute to the annual Arts High literary publication.



# <u>Visual Arts I (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)</u>

This course will focus on student painting and includes drawing, use of color, study of composition and form. Specific historical movements of 20<sup>th</sup> Century Art will be reviewed through art books and slides as reference points for the students' own work. **THIS COURSE CAN BE TAKEN FOR COLLEGE CREDIT** 

(All students may take this course. Only Juniors & Seniors can apply for college credit.)

# <u>Visual Arts II (10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)</u>

Visual Arts II builds upon the skills established in Visual Arts I. Students who have successfully completed Visual Arts I may return the next year for Visual Arts II. Objective and imaginative form in painting will be explored incorporating individual interpretation on guided projects.

THIS COURSE CAN BE TAKEN FOR COLLEGE CREDIT. PLEASE NOTE: ONLY STUDENTS WHO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED ARTS HS VISUAL ARTS I WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE COLLEGE CREDIT FOR VISUAL ARTS II.

(All students may take this course. Only Seniors can apply for college credit.)

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#### Vocal Music—Broadway (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)

This class will focus on the little details of a well built performance. Students will learn to improve vocal sound that best suits each song and how to create a world in which the song can come to life. **THIS COURSE CAN BE TAKEN FOR COLLEGE CREDIT** 

(All students may take this course. Only Juniors & Seniors can apply for college credit.)

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## Monmouth County Arts HIGH School Application

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Address 2: (Apt #)		City: Zip	Code:	
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PLEASE INDICATE YOUR FIRST & SECOND CHOICE BY WRITING 1 OR 2 IN THE BOX NEXT TO THE ARTFORM



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### [OR CURRENT OCCUPANT]

**Important Information** 

Application Deadline: November 15, 2019 Auditions Held: Saturday, December 7, 2019

Audition Fees: \$50 for ONE Artform or \$70 for TWO Artforms

You can apply online at: www.ArtsHigh.net

#### To apply by mail, send:

1. Completed Application

2. Provide Credit Card Information or Check or money order payable to:

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