

WICHITA ART MUSEUM

Family & Youth Programs

January through April 2021



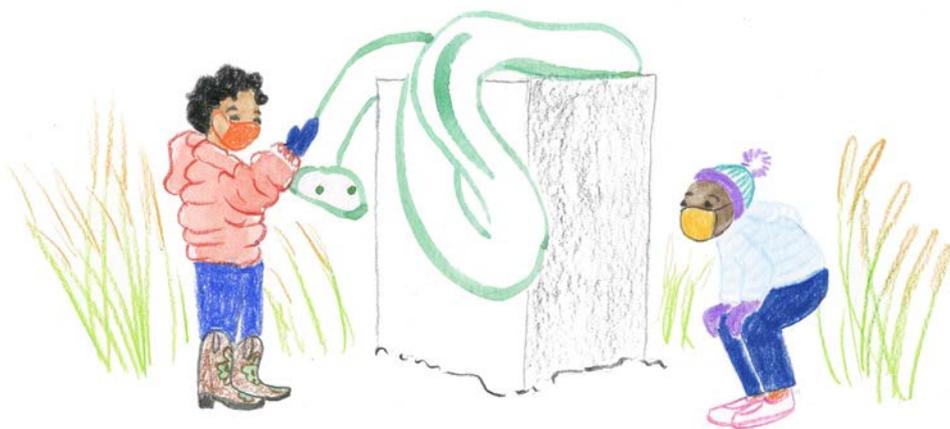
be inspired and CREATE!

Keeping everyone safe



WAM will offer artmaking activities with special protocols:

- ♥ All art activities will be modified to ensure a safe and healthy environment for kids.
- ♥ Face masks are required for children, except infants and kids in strollers.
- ♥ Participants will be spaced at least six feet apart for social distancing.
- ♥ Participants will be clustered to restrict mixing.
- ♥ Immediate contact will be strenuously avoided.
- ♥ Supplies and materials will not be shared.
- ♥ WAM will provide hand sanitizers in the Living Room, Art Studio, and select areas in the museum. During programs, visitors will be asked to clean table stations after their session and before the next group. These spaces with high-touch locations will be cleaned by WAM staff four times during public hours—or every two hours.
- ♥ WAM will also continue to monitor the current local health and safety guidelines and make any changes or cancellations as needed to ensure safety.

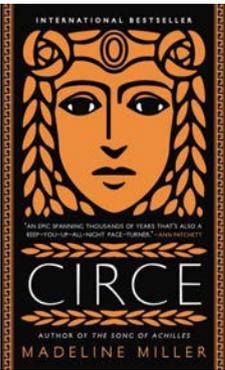


WAM's Art Garden is open and free every day of the year!



THE BIG LITTLE READ

Saturday, January 9



WAM loves readers! The Wichita Public Library organizes The Big Read every year, encouraging Wichitans to read a book as a community. This year's Big Read selection is **CIRCE** by Madeline Miller, a novel about the Greek goddess Circe. Tune into the Big Read Kick Off that airs on KPTS from 2:30-3:30 pm, Saturday, January 9, for special announcements and to find out more about **CIRCE** and the companion books for younger readers.

Swing by the museum for a fun take-away art activity that pairs with this year's book selection. Families can pick up a free bag of art activities and supplies at WAM on Saturday, January 9 from 10 am to 5 pm. Bags will be available at the front desk while supplies last. Can't make it to the museum? You can still enjoy this fun artmaking activity at home using simple materials you have on hand at home along with instructions and examples posted online.

WAM is proud to partner with the Wichita Public Library promoting reading throughout the community.



FAMILY ART

**11 AM
TO
3 PM**

Come to WAM on special Saturdays for art activities and interactions for the whole family. We've developed several creative solutions to safeguard your good health, and the best pandemic protocols will be in place for these family programs. Drop in anytime or stay the whole day for gallery explorations and crazy fun art projects big and small!

**ARTVENTURE AND
MUSEUM ADMISSION
ARE FREE
ON SATURDAYS**



**FOR MORE INFO:
wichitaartmuseum.org/artventure**

ADVENTURE

Ice Dream

Saturday, January 23

What's dreamier than when the weather chills and the nights are long? Find out at Ice Dream. When the snow comes and covers the sleepy earth in white, we can enjoy the comforts of winter together. Gear up for the cold and an afternoon of artmaking in the enchanted outdoor setting of WAM's Art Garden.

Foot in the Door Jr. Edition

Saturday, February 27

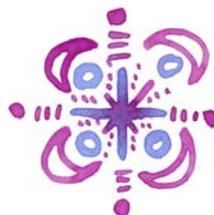
Help build a unique display in the Living Room. Get inspired by the **FOOT IN THE DOOR** exhibition and craft your own personal 12x12 inch creation.



Disco Style

Saturday, March 27

Create fun and wacky dance accessories to wear. Get creative under the sparkling lights of the disco ball. Bop to some beats as you construct your own one-of-a-kind wearable artwork perfect for your next video dance event! Come to WAM for a thumpin', bumpin' good time!



Art Groove

Saturday, April 24

Shake off the blues, and get jazzed up with music-themed artmaking at WAM. Participants will groove to music and be inspired by artwork from the Smithsonian American Art Museum exhibition featuring blues and jazz themes.

SPRING BREAK WEEK

ARTCAT

Tuesday, March 23



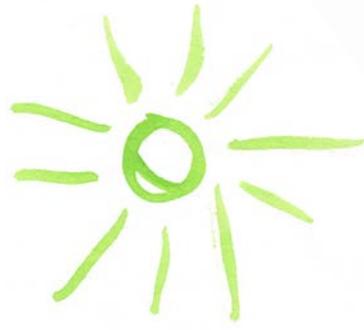
Check out our free and fun online activities for kids on spring break. Each day will bring different online artmaking and interactive activities for kids of all ages. Projects will use common art supplies you may have at home.

Need a family field trip? Come see us during spring break week! WAM welcomes youth for just \$1 admission, including high school and college students with ID. Kids 5 and under are always free. Swing by and explore what's in the galleries.

Find the online activities at wichitaartmuseum.org/artcation.

**School may be out,
but art and fun are in!**





ION GOES VIRTUAL

—Friday, March 26



Art Start is a FREE program for children **ages 3 to 5** to engage with art, imagine, and learn together.

New for 2021: 10:30 am start time for the morning Art Start session.

Sessions are from 10:30 to 11:30 am or 1:30 to 2:30 pm.

Tuesdays are for families with children and an adult. Thursdays are for preschool classes, daycare centers, homeschool groups with children, and their adult chaperones.



ART

January: Color Your Feelings

How do the winter months make you feel? Learn how colors can reflect our feelings.

Families: January 5, 12, 19, 26

Preschools/Daycares: January 7, 14, 21, 28

February: All You Need Is Love!

Love is in the air! February is a special time when we celebrate the ones we love. Put your heart into some art.

Families: February 2, 9, 16, 23

Preschools/Daycares:

February 4, 11, 18, 25



March: Jazz It Up!

Razz Matazz, it's time for Jazz! Learn how artists are inspired by the music of jazz in our exhibition **AFRICAN AMERICAN ART IN THE 20TH CENTURY: HARLEM RENAISSANCE, CIVIL RIGHTS ERA, AND BEYOND**. Feel the groove and shake it up with your own musical creation.

Families: March 2, 9, 16, 30

Preschools/Daycares: March 4, 11, 18

No March 23 and 25 Art Start (It's Spring Break!)

START



Art Start 2021 spring sessions will be limited to 10 kids only. Register online soon!

April: Earth Hugs

April 22 is Earth Day, a global event where we appreciate the earth and learn how to keep it beautiful. Transform toss-away items as we reuse, recycle, and recreate. Be earth-smart!

Families: April 6, 13, 20, 27

Preschools/Daycares: April 8, 15, 22, 29

Advance registration is required.
Go to wichitaartmuseum.org/artstart.





Even in uncertain times, the creative spirit is unlimited. This is what makes us human.

While the Covid-19 pandemic has caused many changes for learning and educators (both teachers and parents), know that the Wichita Art Museum is open to all—and we're committed to connecting you to inspiration, knowledge, and a sense of community through art.

WAM will continue to develop new online opportunities for distance and at-home learning. We're bringing the museum to you in all-new ways. From live screenings of guest speakers to enriching artmaking activities created by WAM's dedicated educators, there are opportunities for creativity and learning for everyone.

Check out the new look on our website! Start with a journey through our online collection, revisit some of your favorite WAM art, and enjoy video content that brings you closer to the stories behind the art and artists at the museum.

Follow WAM's online activities via our website wichitaartmuseum.org/kids and sign up for our newsletter at wichitaartmuseum.org/enews.



WAM is free every Saturday all year long thanks to Colby Sandlian of Sandlian Realty.

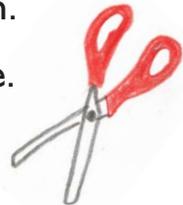
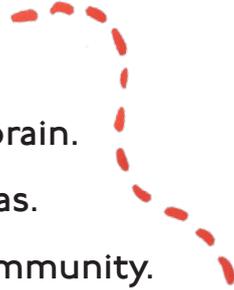
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Why ART activities are IMPORTANT

- 1 Art teaches problem solving.
- 2 Being creative is a lifelong skill.
- 3 Artmaking develops the whole brain.
- 4 Making things opens up new ideas.
- 5 An interest in the arts builds community.
- 6 The arts awaken the senses.
- 7 Artistic skills are useful in many careers.
- 8 Creative endeavor builds self esteem.
- 9 Art develops a willingness to explore.
- 10 Art fuels the imagination.



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Museum Hours

Closed on Monday

Tuesday–Saturday:
10 am–5 pm

Sunday:
Noon–5 pm



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For information or questions, email
education@wichitaartmuseum.org.

