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# Winter 2019 Catalog

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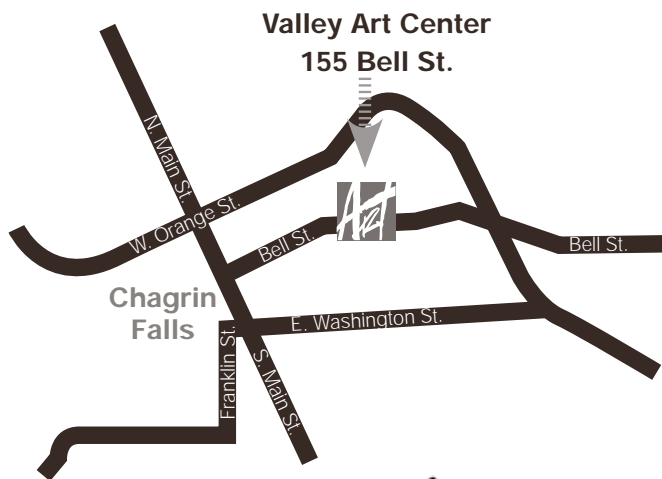


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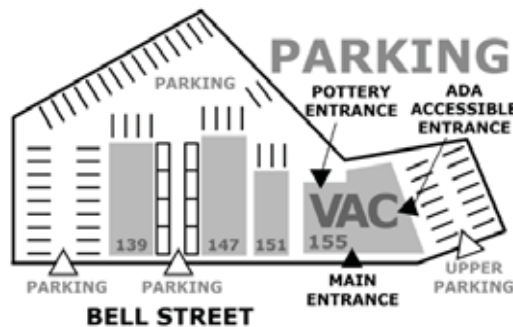
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## Parking and drop off at Valley Art Center

Limited parking is available at the east entrance and we ask visitors to please reserve these spaces for those who require barrier-free accessibility to upper level classrooms. General parking is available in the lot behind VAC, accessible via the driveways at 139 and 147 Bell Street. You may park in any of the spaces in this lot. For security purposes, the front door is the only access for entering and exiting classes unless otherwise specified.



## Membership

Please consider supporting Valley Art Center and its programs by purchasing a membership. Not only does it help to keep our doors open and our programs vibrant, but there are great benefits to you too!

Members receive 10% off classes (excluding workshops), Valley Art Center Gift Shop and Gallery purchases. Members receive all our mailings and notices of upcoming events. Visit our website or call for details. Thank you for your support!

Individual \$35	Family \$50	Friends of Valley Art Center \$100-\$249	Patron \$250+
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## Volunteer Opportunities

Interested in volunteering at Valley Art Center?

There are various ways you can be part of our team and enjoy the VAC Experience!

Current Opportunities include:

**Facilities:** Assisting with our building and classroom maintenance.

**Office:** Greeting students and guests at the customer service desk, answering the telephone and informing students about classes.

**Gallery Committee:** There is gallery work to accomplish before each show: preparing the space with sanding, patching, and painting as well as checking artists in and out for each exhibit. This is a great opportunity for art lovers of all kinds to get involved in the gallery process. It is also an excellent way for students who are interested in the arts to participate in the nuts and bolts of a working gallery.

**Art By The Falls:** Our yearly extravaganza! Opportunities include everything from our Children's Booth to being a part of our very own grounds crew. These positions are available to volunteers ages 14 and up!

Please contact Kate Bruner, Program & Event Coordinator at 440-247-7507 if interested! For Art by the Falls volunteer positions, you may also view and sign up online on Signupgenius.com, seasonally.

# Letter from the Executive Director



## GET WRAPPED UP IN THE ARTS THIS WINTER AT VAC!

What delights me daily about Valley Art Center is that we are truly a “wrap around” environment where tiny toddlers, students 93 years young, and everyone in between can explore the creative process. At a recent gallery opening, one of our award-winning artists who is making a name for himself in the region enthusiastically exclaimed that it all started here with art classes when he was a child! There are countless stories of youngsters who, encouraged to experiment at VAC, went on to become life-long art practitioners, exhibiting artists and even teachers. We commend parents who encourage children to engage in art, individuals of all ages who respond to the urge to take a class, and curious visitors who come to discover what artists display in our gallery and gift shop. We hope you will find a way to “wrap yourself” in heart-warming art experiences this winter!

Here are a few highlights of our winter opportunities:

### CLASSES:

- Winter offerings include over 60 classes and workshops for you to choose from. Whether you are a beginner or developing mastery in the arts, we have something for you! Check out the full listing of classes and workshops on our website and subscribe to our newsletter for the most up-to-date information.

### GALLERY & GIFT SHOP:

- Our Gallery is continuing a call-to-entry series that addresses the topic of “Identity.” Last year’s theme was “People,” and this year the theme is “Places,” opening January 25th. Our spring exhibit, another call-to entry, is entitled “Observation/Conservation” which opens March 23rd.
- We exhibit original artwork in our stunning gallery and gift shop year-round. Make a work of art your own! It’s a win-win; a portion of gallery and gift shop sales benefit VAC and support the ongoing efforts of our talented artists.

### EVENTS:

- Our February fundraiser “Hot Chocolate @ Home” was such a success last year we are doing it once again! Hot Chocolate @ Home is an exciting fundraising model that gets everyone engaged in a way that fits every individual. Patrons can buy a ticket, support Valley Art Center, win fabulous prizes, and never have to leave home on a cold, snowy night! OR fans can host or attend a house party and support your favorite art center.
- Look for details at <http://www.valleyartcenter.org/upcoming-events.html>
- March 2nd we will once again partner with Lowe’s Greenhouse to present our third “Early Bird Art & Craft Sale” at Lowe’s.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Ann Breisch". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mary Ann Breisch  
Executive Director

# Winter courses: Adult and Teen

Winter I 6 Weeks January 7 – February 16 Winter II 6 Weeks February 25 – April 6

Please note: the first price is for non-members, the second is the member price. All courses below are scheduled for six weeks, both sessions, unless otherwise indicated. Many course supply lists are available at [valleyartcenter.org/supply-lists](http://valleyartcenter.org/supply-lists). Register early to ensure your spot. Late registration fees may apply. See the inside back cover for more details.

	#	Time	Class	Instructor	Cost/Member
<i>MON</i>	<b>201</b>	10–12:30	Watercolor Intermediate to Advanced	Darlene Jackson	\$137/\$123
	<b>404</b>	10–2	Concept Based Oil Painting	Bud Deihl	\$215/\$194
	<b>201</b>	1–3:30	Watercolor Intermediate to Advanced	Darlene Jackson	\$137/\$123
	<b>135</b>	6:30–8:30	Soft Pastels with Linda Merchant	Linda Merchant	\$111/\$99
	<b>534</b>	6:30–9	Clay Basics	Laura Ferrando	\$190/\$171
	<b>701</b>	6:30–8:30	Digital Photography for the Fraidy Cat	Tessa Dicker	\$111/\$99
	<b>838</b>	6:30–8:30	Abstract Expression	Judy Bennett	\$120/\$108
<i>TUE</i>	<b>202</b>	9:30–12	Watercolor with Jan Mettee	Jan Mettee	\$137/\$123
	<b>203</b>	10–12:30	Watercolor All Levels	Darlene Jackson	\$137/\$123
	<b>202</b>	1–3:30	Watercolor with Jan Mettee	Jan Mettee	\$137/\$123
	<b>837</b>	1–3	Mixed Media: Expressive Layers	Judy Bennett	\$120/\$108
	<b>502</b>	7–9	Everything But the Kitchen Sink	Joan Rusek	\$155/\$140
<i>WED</i>	<b>204</b>	10–12:30	Watercolor Painting for the Fraidy Cat	Darlene Jackson	\$137/\$123
	<b>208</b>	9:30–12	Watercolor Open Studio with Jan	Jan Mettee	\$137/\$123
	<b>938</b>	1–3:30	Open Studio with Judy Bennett	Judy Bennett	\$137/\$123
	<b>132</b>	6:30–8:30	Mindful Design	Brian Jacobs	\$111/\$99
<i>THU</i>	<b>535</b>	9-12:30	Thursday Morning Pottery	Joan Rusek	\$260/\$234
	<b>129</b>	10-12:30	Classical Drawing	Peter Green	\$137/\$123
	<b>629</b>	10–1	Beaded Jewelry Design Open Studio	Kim Mettee	\$165/\$148
	<b>903</b>	1–3:30	Open Studio with Victoria Wagner	Victoria Wagner	\$137/\$123
	<b>604</b>	2:30–5	Precious Metal Clay	Cathy Davies Paetz	\$175/\$158
	<b>138</b>	6–8	Nuts and Bolts Drawing for Grown Ups	Kate Oulton	\$111/\$99
	<b>703</b>	6–8	Photoshop for Photographers	Michael Steinberg	\$111/\$99
	<b>604</b>	6:30–9	Precious Metal Clay	Cathy Davies Paetz	\$175/\$158
<i>FRI</i>	<b>536</b>	9:30-12	Friday Morning Pottery	Joan Rusek	\$190/\$171
	<b>301</b>	10–12:30	Experimental Acrylics	Victoria Wagner	\$137/\$123
	<b>903</b>	1-3:30	Open Studio with Victoria Wagner	Victoria Wagner	\$137/\$123
<i>SAT</i>	<b>132</b>	9–11	Mindful Design	Brian Jacobs	\$111/\$99
	<b>628</b>	9:30–12:30	Beaded Jewelry Design for BEGINNERS	Kim Mettee	\$165/\$148
	<b>402</b>	10–12:30	Oil Painting for the Fraidy Cat	Victoria Wagner	\$137/\$123
	<b>408</b>	1-3:30	Landscape Painting with Rob Crombie	Rob Crombie	\$137/\$123

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## Classical Drawing

#129 | Thursdays | 10:00am-12:30pm | \$137/\$123 | Peter Green

Open to all levels, this class will focus on the fundamentals of representational art, and will constitute observational drawing from life. Topics covered will include; perspective, proportion, gesture, the study of light and shadow, and material handling. Here classical means how the “old masters” approached drawing, so we will occasionally look to their works for both reference and inspiration. This class will be emphasizing value and line to describe form, as such no color will be used. Supply list; drawing pencils of your choice either graphite or charcoal pencils, kneaded erasers, x-acto knife or razor, fine grit sandpaper, 18x24 drawing/sketch paper, large clip board to hold drawing pad. (Note regarding pencils; if graphite choose HB-2B range, if charcoal choose 2H extra hard and HB hard)

## Mindful Design

#132 | Wednesdays 6:30pm-8:30pm or Saturdays 9:00am-11:00am | \$111/\$99 | Brian Jacobs

Mindful Design—Every session we tackle a different area of design theory and technique. Each time we meet, we will create a quick study that you can keep in your sketchbook as a reference. Students are encouraged to apply what they learn to other projects and bring them in to share. Bring your thinking beret, but you won't have to think too hard—Brian will make it easy! You'll need a mixed-media paper pad, an inexpensive sketch pad and your choice of drawing/painting supplies. Other tools supplied.

## Soft Pastels with Linda Merchant

#135 | Mondays | 6:30pm-8:30pm | \$111/\$99 | Linda Merchant

Join award winning artist Linda Merchant for this “how to” class on the versatile medium of soft pastel. Grow as an artist in this fun and creative course by using a combination of drawing and painting techniques while focusing on the various ways to layer pastel to create vibrant color, enhance your compositions, create mood and develop your own unique style

## Nuts and Bolts Drawing for Grown Ups

#138 | Thursday | 6:00pm-8:00pm | \$111/\$99 | Kate Oulton

Join Kate for a “grown up” version of a kid's favorite. Whether you are brushing up, improving, or learning for the first time this class gives you the nuts and bolts of drawing techniques. Dive into how to build a solid drawing from the inside out. Expect to build your skills in perspective, shading, measuring, proportion, and more, while trying your hand with a variety of drawing media.

## Watercolor Intermediate to Advanced

#201 | Mondays | 10:00am-12:30pm or 1:00pm-3:30pm | \$137/\$123 | Darlene Jackson

Bring your own unique personal experience and creative style to this class. Create a painting in class from a still life, sketchbook; or work from photos you have taken. Your paintings will be strengthened with the use of elements and principles of design and composition making your creations more painterly. Demos and critiques will be part of this class. Register for the afternoon class too, bring your lunch and stay for the day! Supply list available online.

## Watercolor with Jan Mettee

#202 | Tuesdays | 9:30am-12:00pm or 1:00pm-3:30pm | \$137/\$123 | Jan Mettee

Increase your knowledge of design from those first preliminary sketches to your watercolor paintings. Through demos and individual critiques, Jan will help you to “see” and build upon a style that is uniquely yours. Two classes are taught on Tuesdays, so register for both and spend the entire day! Teacher will contact the students with the supply list.

## Watercolor All Levels

#203 | Tuesdays 10:00am-12:30pm | \$137/\$123 | Darlene Jackson

This is for those of you who are not beginners, have mastered some of the techniques and want to develop your own personal style. We will be working through the elements and principles of design. Learn the importance of your sketch book in working through your compositions. Demos and critiques will be part of this class. Supply list available online.

## Watercolor Painting for the Fraidy Cat

#204 | Wednesdays 10:00am-12:30pm | \$137/\$123 | Darlene Jackson

This class is for the novice or truly timid beginner. Learn the basic techniques and how to work with watercolors. Demos and critiques will be part of this class. We will learn from each other and build confidence. Supply list available online.

## Watercolor Open Studio with Jan Mettee

#208 | Wednesdays | 9:30-12 | \$137/\$123 | Jan Mettee

This open studio will allow the somewhat experienced artist to further explore their watercolor creating potential. Use this time to finish up existing pieces or create something new. Share the studio atmosphere with other artists while receiving individualized attention from Jan.

## Experimental Acrylics

#301 | Fridays | 10:00am-12:30pm | \$137/\$123 | Victoria Wagner

No drawing ability needed! All that is needed is a love of color and/or pattern...even a wish to just fill your walls with personal statements or pictures! Taught by a painter with over 40 years of experience, this class is a place to play with different materials and discover your own creativity. Students are responsible for bringing their own materials. Supply list available online.

## Oil Painting for the Fraidy Cat

#402 | Saturdays | 10:00am-12:30pm | \$137/\$123 | Victoria Wagner

Learn how to create on canvas with this forgiving medium! Instructor will paint beside you, leading you step by step as you learn the fundamentals of color mixing, composition and value. You will begin with a simple still life set up and by the end of the course you will have two paintings to display! The instructor has taught art and created paintings for over 40 years and loves to share her excitement of seeing the world through artist's eyes. Students are responsible for bringing their own materials. Supply list available online.

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# COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

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## Concept Based Oil Painting

#404 | Mondays | 10:00am-2:00pm | \$215/\$194 | Bud Deihl

This course, with a four hour format, is for serious artists of all levels from beginning through advanced. Guidance will be offered on issues such as composition, color, tools and techniques, but the emphasis of the course will be on thinking creatively. Individual attention will be available whenever needed. The course will include a group discussion of the students' works. A former abstract expressionist, the instructor's current painting style is tightly controlled realism; he will be demonstrating and discussing his painting methods for those interested, but students will be encouraged to choose their own subject matter and painting style. **IMPORTANT:** students will be responsible for bringing all necessary materials, including any desired photographic reference (not of someone else's painting, please), beginning with the first class. Supply list available online. Please feel free to bring your lunch.

## Landscape Painting with Rob Crombie

#408 | Saturdays | 1:00pm-3:30pm | \$137/\$123 | Rob Crombie

This class is designed to focus on landscape painting in oils with the intention of keeping loose in style and technique while exploring the importance of composition, color and creativity. Bring 3-6 photos to review with Rob to create your own masterpiece. Students are responsible for bringing their own materials. A list of suggested supplies is available online.

## Everything But the Kitchen Sink

#502 | Tuesdays | 7:00pm-9:00pm | \$155/\$140 | Joan Rusek

Learn wheel-thrown pottery and advanced hand building techniques to create your own dinnerware safe pottery, gifts, and decorative sculpture form a local award-winning potter. All skill levels are welcome. Materials and tools are provided. Students can access the studio through the Pottery Studio Door in the Basement of VAC.

## Clay Basics

#534 | Mondays | 6:30pm-9:00pm | \$190/\$171 | Laura Ferrando

### Winter I, Intro to Ceramics

If you've ever wanted to try your hand at ceramics, please join us for a beginning-level class. You will learn the basics of hand-building and glazing. Instruction will be tailored to each student's abilities and interests. The focus will be on process and enjoyment.

### Winter II, Beginning Wheel Throwing

This class can be taken as a follow-up to Session I or on its own. If you've ever wanted to try throwing pots on the wheel, join us for this beginning-level class. You will be introduced to the fundamentals of wheel-throwing in a supportive and relaxed atmosphere. Students can access the studio through the Pottery Studio Door in the Basement of VAC.

## Thursday Morning Pottery

#535 | Thursdays | 9:00am-12:30pm | \$260/\$234 | Joan Rusek

In this 3.5 hour class, learn wheel-thrown pottery and advanced hand building techniques to create your own dinnerware safe pottery, gifts, and decorative sculpture form a local award-winning potter. All skill levels are welcome. Materials and tools are provided. Students can access the studio through the Pottery Studio Door in the Basement of VAC.

## Friday Morning Pottery

#536 | Fridays | 9:30am-12:00pm | \$190/\$171 | Joan Rusek

In this 2.5 hour class, learn wheel-thrown pottery and advanced hand building techniques to create your own dinnerware safe pottery, gifts, and decorative sculpture form a local award-winning potter. All skill levels are welcome. Materials and tools are provided. Students can access the studio through the Pottery Studio Door in the Basement of VAC.

## Precious Metal Clay Jewelry (All Levels)

#604 | Thursdays | 2:30pm-5:00pm or 6:30pm-9:00pm | \$175/\$158 | Cathy Davies Paetz

Create silver jewelry using Precious Metal Clay (PMC). Microscopic particles of fine silver are suspended in an organic binder with water, making a pliable, clay-like material which can be formed into jewelry. During kiln firing, the binder burns away leaving a pure silver creation. Explore many different ways to express your jewelry ideas. All levels (including beginners) are welcome. Advanced techniques are offered as students gain experience. Materials fee for your initial package of PMC between \$45-60 (cost dependent on price of silver.)

## Beaded Jewelry Design for BEGINNERS

#628 | Saturdays | 9:30am-12:30pm | \$165/\$148 | Kim Mettee

This class is a great introduction to making your own jewelry. Learn basic design and technical skills to create unique and personalized adornments. Kim will help develop individual direction while also providing one-on-one attention to any student who requires extra guidance. Students are encouraged to utilize traditional components along with recycled objects such as buttons, hardware, old jewelry and items from nature. Attendance at the first class is mandatory and a materials list will be provided at that time. Feel free to contact Kim directly with any questions via her email. [kim@kimmetteedesigns.com](mailto:kim@kimmetteedesigns.com)

## Beaded Jewelry Design Open Studio

#629 | Thursdays | 10:00am-1:00pm | \$165/\$148 | Kim Mettee

Are you a collector of beads, etc? Do your collections have collections? Thinking of downsizing and want to be creative in the process? This class is for you! Dig out your stash and bring it all to class. We can sort through your treasures and decide how to transform them into unique finished wearable jewelry. Bring your ideas, unfinished projects and loads of enthusiasm. Basic knowledge and understanding of design and fundamental technical skill is required. Students will be responsible for bringing the necessary tools and making supplies. Feel free to contact Kim directly with any questions via her email. [kim@kimmetteedesigns.com](mailto:kim@kimmetteedesigns.com)

## Digital Photography for the Fraidy Cat!

#701 | Mondays | 6:30pm-8:30pm | \$111/\$99 | Tessa Dicker

Learn the basics of digital photography starting with understanding what those symbols on your camera mean. We will explore how to set your own film speed, aperture and shutter speed and when to use a flash. We will explore taking action shots, landscape and portraits. In this class you will also practice and apply what you have learned using your camera.

## Photoshop for Photographers

#703 | Thursdays | 6:00pm-8:00pm | \$111/\$99 | Michael Steinberg

Learn how to use Photoshop software. Adjusting color, converting to black and white, digital dodging, burning, using masks, preset effects, and much more. You may bring your laptop and work on your own or learn some of the basics of photography editing by observing and asking questions.

## Mixed Media: Expressive Layers

#837 | Tuesdays | 1:00pm-3:00pm | \$120/\$108 | Judy Bennett

Learn how to use imagery and color as elements for art making to create uniquely personal visual statements. Explore the relationships between ideas, personal experiences, and creativity by using a wide variety of materials. Students will be asked to bring in printed images, papers, drawings, and fabric, as well as found objects and something personally meaningful to incorporate into their ideas. The challenge is to develop a theme linking each of the mixed media pieces to the next, creating a personal statement within the works of art.

### Abstract Expression

#838 | Monday | 6:30pm-8:30pm | \$120/\$108 | Judy Bennett

Whenever you draw or paint you are actually creating an abstract, which means “to come away from”. Abstract painting is a conscious breakaway from traditional realistic painting. This class will take what you already know, get you to loosen up and help you work toward finding your own style. Please bring the color media of your choice- watercolor, colored pencil, or acrylic along with a sketchbook, permanent fine marker, and pencil.

### Open Studio with Victoria Wagner

#903 | Thursdays or Fridays | 1:00pm-3:30pm | \$137/\$123 | Victoria Wagner

For any beginning to advanced artist familiar with and working in any 2 dimensional media! (Watercolor, oil, acrylic, pastel, etc.). Do you wish to advance to another level? Would you like to share the studio experience with other artists, hear friendly critiques, get individual attention and demonstrations? Then this class is for you, taught by an instructor with over 40 years of experience in painting. Bring your current project to class.

### Open Studio with Judy Bennett

#938 | Wednesdays | 1:00pm-3:30pm | \$137/\$123 | Judy Bennett  
Join experienced multimedia instructor Judy in sharing the studio space with other artists while working in the medium of your choice. Open critiques and encouragement will be offered. Brainstorm ideas to climb out of the creative rut. Bring your current project to class to finish or start something new.

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# Gallery Shows

*Gallery Opening Receptions are always free and open to the public.*

## On view this winter

Opening in January, Valley Art Center presents “Identity: PLACES,” our second Identity exhibit. Last winter, we began the Identity series with a focus on “people.” For the current edition, artists from Northeast Ohio and beyond submitted artwork reflecting on the concept of identity in “places.” Cleveland artist Judith Brandon is our juror for this exhibit. Come see how artists are finding meaning in locations and environments through a variety of styles and media. On view in Valley Art Center’s Margaret “Peg” Bowen Gallery from January 25 to March 6 with an opening reception on Friday, January 25 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. The gallery and artist receptions are always free and open to the public.

## Call to artists

The natural world provides a constant source of inspiration. As we know, however, it is finite and vulnerable. In early spring 2019, Valley Art Center invites artists to create works inspired by the concepts of Observation and Conservation. All mediums and styles are eligible. Artists are encouraged to explore the beauty of nature, or to speak about the threats facing our world, and what we can do to conserve it. Go to [valleyartcenter.org/calls-to-entry](http://valleyartcenter.org/calls-to-entry) to get started entering your art in this timely and thought-provoking exhibit. We are excited to welcome Kim Zarney as the juror!

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# Winter courses: Preschool and Youth

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	#	Time	Class	Instructor	Cost/Member	Ages
<i>MON</i>	<b>133</b>	4:30–5:30	Painting & Drawing	Linda Merchant	\$93/\$83	9–13
<i>TUE</i>	<b>851</b>	10–12	All by Myself Art	Emily English	\$98/\$88	4–6
	<b>531</b>	1–3	Let's Play with Clay	Becky Frazier	\$135/\$122	4–6
	<b>851</b>	1–3	All By Myself Art	Emily English	\$98/\$88	4–6
	<b>108</b>	4–5:30	Drawing and Painting	Emily English	\$93/\$83	6–9
	<b>137</b>	4:30–6	My First Cartoon Hero	Gilberto Rivera	\$98/\$88	10+
	<b>108</b>	5:45–7:15	Drawing and Painting	Emily English	\$93/\$83	6–9
<i>WED</i>	<b>605</b>	4–6:30	Beaded Jewelry Design for Young ARTists	Kim Mettee	\$170/\$153	8–13
	<b>517</b>	4–6	Wheel Throwing and Technique—Winter I	Brigitte Fiorille	\$150/\$134	9–14
<i>THU</i>	<b>636</b>	5–8	Jewelry Design—Experienced Young Artist	Kim Mettee	\$165/\$148	9–14
	<b>134</b>	4-5:30	Nuts and Bolts Drawing	Kate Oulton	\$93/\$83	10+
<i>FRI</i>	<b>605</b>	4–6:30	Beaded Jewelry Design for Young ARTists	Kim Mettee	\$170/\$153	8–13
<i>SAT</i>	<b>532</b>	9–10:30	Saturday Morning Clay	Laura Ferrando	\$100/\$90	6–9

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# Winter courses: Preschool and Youth

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## Drawing and Painting

#108 | Tuesdays | 4:00pm-5:30pm or 5:45-7:15 | \$93/\$83 | Emily English | Ages 6-9

Let's look at the basics of art including: color, design and composition. We will draw from life and our imaginations. Each week we will learn a new skill or technique and apply it to our artwork. Don't be shy...all abilities welcome!

## Painting and Drawing

#133 | Mondays | 4:30pm-5:30pm | \$93/\$83 | Linda Merchant | Ages 9-13

Learn how to build your skills in composition, shape, proportions and perspective. We will use multi-mediums like pencils, oil pastels, watercolors and acrylics to create art.

## Nuts and Bolts Drawing

#134 | Thursday | 4:00pm-5:30pm | \$93/\$83 | Kate Oulton | Ages 10+

Want to make your drawings look more realistic? This class is a spin-off of one of our camp favorites, and gives you the nuts and bolts of basic drawing techniques. Dive into how to build a solid drawing from the inside out. Expect to build your skills in perspective, shading, measuring, proportion, and more, while trying your hand with a variety of drawing media. You'll have a choice in your projects and will take home multiple pieces!

## My First Cartoon Hero

#137 | Tuesdays | 4:30pm-6:00pm | \$98/\$88 | Gilberto Rivera | Ages 10+

This class will focus on various aspects of creating and illustrating a superhero just like the pros do. Learn techniques that professional comic book creators use in comics today! From pencil breakdowns, building your art, and inking techniques, every student will have a "My First Hero" of their own by the end of this class.

## Wheel Throwing and Technique

#517 | Wednesdays | 4:00pm-6:00pm | \$150/\$134 | Brigitte Fiorille | Ages 9 thru 14

Learn the specifics in foundational wheel throwing skills and explore the process. Aspects of centering, opening, lifting, trimming, combining, glazing, creativity, and craftsmanship are covered. Wheel work will be developed to usable finished pieces. Decorative elements can be added using techniques in surface design and elements of hand building. Every student learns at their own pace. All skill levels welcome. Winter I only.

## Let's Play with Clay

#531 | Tuesdays | 1:00pm-3:00pm | \$135/\$122 | Becky Frazier Ages 4 thru 6 | This class is all about preschoolers and kindergarten children having fun with clay. Experiment with clay in the pottery studio and learn how to glaze and fire. Let's get our hands dirty and make some mighty awesome treasures that you can keep or give as gifts. Bring a smock or apron and wear old clothes.

## Saturday Morning Clay

#532 | Saturdays | 9:00am-10:30am | \$100/\$90 | Laura Ferrando | Ages 6-9

Calling all budding artists ages 6-9 to join us for Saturday morning ceramics! You will use pinching, coiling, and slab building, as well as a variety of finishing techniques, to create unique works of art that will be glazed and fired. Materials and tools provided. Bring a smock or apron and wear old clothes.

## Beaded Jewelry Design for the Young ARTist

#605 | Wednesdays or Fridays | 4:00pm-6:30pm | \$170/\$153 | Kim Mettee | Ages 8 to 13

Create wonderfully unique and colorful designs. This class will provide you with the opportunity to expand your knowledge and skill level in the art of beaded jewelry design. Students can choose from a variety of contemporary and vintage beads and baubles in combination with recycled objects such as buttons and items found in nature. Bring your own additional beads and interesting or sentimental items to use in your designs. Basic jewelry knowledge and skills are helpful but not required.

## Beaded Jewelry Design Open Studio for the Experienced Young ARTist

#636 | Thursdays | 5:00pm-8:00pm | \$165/\$148 | Kim Mettee | Ages 9 to 14

This open studio is for advanced level youth students who have developed their creative skills beyond the basics of jewelry design. Students will bring their own supplies and tools to work on developing their own designs and creations for wearing or selling. Bring your ideas, unfinished projects and loads of enthusiasm. Basic knowledge and understanding of design and fundamental technical skill is required. Feel free to contact Kim directly with any questions via her email [kim@kimmetteedesigns](mailto:kimmetteedesigns).

## All By Myself Art

#851 | Tuesdays | 10:00am-12:00pm or 1:00pm-3:00pm | \$98/\$88 | Emily English | Ages 4 to 6

Your child will explore the world of art...without you! This is not a "mommy & me" class but instead a drop off class for the mature child who is independent. We will paint, draw and even have a snack! This is the perfect fit for a preschooler, half day kindergartner or home schooled K-1st grader!\*\*

# Winter workshops

	#	Date(s)	Time	Workshop	Instructor	Cost	Ages
JAN	537	Sat 1/12	12:30-3	One Day Play in Clay	Laura Ferrando	\$45/\$10	Family
	936	Sat 1/19	10-1	Intro to Encaustic	Linda Mayer	\$70	Adult/Teen
	136	Wed 1/23	10-2	Pastels Workshop	Kim Jones	\$90	Adult
FEB	537	Sat 2/2	12:30-3	One Day Play in Clay	Laura Ferrando	\$45/\$10	Family
	941	Sat 2/16	10-1	Advanced Encaustic Techniques	Linda Mayer	\$70	Adult/Teen
	715	Sun 2/17	1-4:00	Photographing Art Show Entries	Michael Steinberg	\$50	Adult/Teen
	136	Wed 2/27	10-2	Pastels Workshop	Kim Jones	\$90	Adult
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	305	Fri 3/29	1-3	Acrylic Pour Painting	Susan Jacobs	\$45	Adult/Teen
APR	304	Tue 4/2	10-12:30	Anyone Can Paint Day 1	Susan Jacobs	\$100	Adult
		Thu 4/4	1:30-4	Anyone Can Paint Day 2			
		Fri 4/5	10-12:30	Anyone Can Paint Day 3			
	537	Sat 4/6	12:30-3	One Day Play in Clay	Laura Ferrando	\$45/\$10	Family
	136	Wed 4/24	10-2	Pastels Workshop	Kim Jones	\$90	Adult
	941	Sat 4/27	10-1	Advanced Encaustic Techniques	Linda Mayer	\$70	Adult/Teen



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## Local public funding supports & enriches the work of the Valley Art Center



Ohio Arts Council (OAC) and Cuyahoga Arts & Culture (CAC) have granted over \$350,000 over the past fifteen years to Valley Art Center; this has helped us provide over 400 classes to 1,400 students ages 3-93 annually, exhibit five gallery shows and stage Art by the Falls outdoor art festival every June. This type of funding strengthens our community, and enriches the quality of life in our neighborhoods

for people of all ages. We'd like to take this opportunity to tell you a little bit more about this extremely important funding source. The financial support received from OAC and CAC has helped Valley Art Center make a difference not only in the Village of Chagrin Falls, but also in the lives of the artists, students, art lovers and partner organizations in the five counties we serve. The stories are countless.

Cuyahoga County residents created Cuyahoga Arts & Culture in 2006 when they approved a tax on cigarettes to support arts and culture in our community. Since then, CAC has invested more than \$140 million to deliver on the promise they made to support thousands of enriching arts and culture experiences in every corner of the county. Each year they support tens of thousands of arts and culture programs and events that enhance education, enrich quality of life and support the local economy.

The Ohio Arts Council is a state agency that funds and supports quality arts experiences to strengthen Ohio communities culturally, educationally, and economically. OAC provides leadership and voice for the arts to transform people and communities. OAC was created in 1965 to foster and encourage the development of the arts and assist the preservation of Ohio's cultural heritage. With funds from the Ohio Legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts, OAC provides financial assistance to artists and arts organizations through the various grant funding programs.

# Winter workshops

*DON'T MISS OUT!!! We are constantly creating Pop Up Workshops that are not printed in this catalog. Please visit our website: [www.valleyartcenter.org](http://www.valleyartcenter.org) to see what's new and exciting!*

## Pastels Workshop

#136 | Kim Jones | \$90 | Adults |

Wednesday, 1/23, 2/27, 3/27, 4/24 | 10:00am – 2:00pm |

Join local pastel artist Kim Jones for this “how to” workshop offered one Wednesday a month. Every workshop will have a different subject from animals to people, still lifes to flowers. Kim will demonstrate and you will work along to create and learn the many tricks and techniques for working in pastels. Supply List will be provided.

## Anyone Can Paint 3-day Acrylic Painting Workshop

#304 | Susan Jacobs | \$100 | Adults | (2 1/2 hours 3 separate days)

Tuesday, April 2 / 10:00am - 12:30pm

Thursday, April 4 / 1:30 – 4:00pm

Friday, April 5 / 10:00 – 12:30

If you have little or no experience this is the class you've been waiting for. No art experience required! You will learn to unravel the complexities of a finished artwork and simplify the piece into several layers, each form building on the next. You will do this and finish the piece in 3 sessions. Supplies: Please bring a canvas. You may use oil paints if you choose to bring your own or your own acrylics, otherwise basic acrylics and brushes will be on hand.

## Acrylic Pour Painting with Susan Jacobs

#305 | Susan Jacobs | \$45 | Adults | Friday, March 29 | 1:00pm – 3:00pm |

Participants will make 3 sample 4” canvas boards or substitute a tile as one option using these techniques separately or in combination: Dirty Pour, Puddle Pour, Swipe, Ribbon, and Dip. Supplies to bring: a foil roasting pan or large foil cookie sheet. Sue will discuss color wheel and combinations. You will produce cells in your pour and can try your own color combinations, and combine techniques or re-pour over an undesired result. These will not be dry for 1 or 2 days and you will have to leave them, and pick up later. If they are moved while wet, your design will slide off the canvas.

## One Day Play in Clay

#537 | Laura Ferrando | \$45 | Saturday, 1/12, 2/2, 3/2, 4/6 | 12:30pm - 3:00pm |

Introducing a new series of workshops for families or individuals. Each month will feature a different seasonally themed project that you will make in clay. Pieces will be glazed and fired, and you will be notified when they are ready for pickup. January: The theme is love! Kids, bring your favorite big person and you can each make your own heart-themed ceramic work of art to keep for yourself or give as a gift. February: Think Spring! Come make your own fun head-shaped planters. We will provide grass seed and growing medium, so your little creation can sprout green hair while waiting for spring

to arrive. March: Birds are starting to return to the area. Make your own bird feeder to take home and hang in your yard. April: Come make your own hand-built flower pot. Makes a great Mother's Day gift! \$45 for the first person. \$10 for each additional family member.

## Photographing Art Show Entries

#715 | Michael Steinberg | \$50 | Sunday, February 17 | 1:00pm - 4:00pm |

Making your artwork look its best for gallery show entry is an art itself. Learn the techniques to capture all colors, textures, etc... of each of your individual pieces. Gain the confidence to submit to shows and share your art with the world.

## Intro to Encaustic Workshop

#936 | Linda Mayer | \$70 | Adults | Saturday, 1/19 or 3/23 | 10:00am - 1:00pm |

Encaustic is an ancient hot wax painting technique that offers a wealth of versatile creative possibilities. This fun, three hour introductory workshop is for those with no prior encaustic experience and you don't need any advanced drawing or painting skills. We will cover the basics including encaustic materials, painting techniques, studio setup and safety. A highlight of this session will be creating a unique painting using the photocopy transfer process. Please bring either black and white or color images that have been photocopied on a toner based copier. If you wish to incorporate text into your creation you will need to photocopy the text in reverse. Students will also need to bring an encaustic specific board no larger than 8” x 10”. Unsure if your photocopies or boards are compatible with encaustic? Do you have other questions about the workshop? Feel free to email the instructor, Linda Mayer, ahead of time with all your questions at [artznecrafts@yahoo.com](mailto:artznecrafts@yahoo.com) and she will be happy to assist you. A \$10 materials fee will be collected by the instructor on the day of the workshop.

## Advanced Encaustic Techniques

#941 | Linda Mayer | \$70 | Adults | Saturday, 2/16 or 4/27 | 10:00am-1:00pm |

Do you have previous encaustic experience? Are you ready to experiment with more advanced encaustic techniques? If so, this engaging three hour workshop is for you! We will explore a variety of creative encaustic processes such as mark-making, stenciling, masking, layering, collage and more. You will be provided with supplies and materials to create several experimental pieces that will help inspire new directions in your art making practice. Heavy stock watercolor paper will be provided as a substrate for your pieces or you may bring your own encaustic ready boards (no larger than 8” x 10”). Encaustic ready boards in a variety of sizes will also be available for purchase from the instructor on the day of the workshop. If you have any questions feel free to email the instructor, Linda Mayer, ahead of time at [artznecrafts@yahoo.com](mailto:artznecrafts@yahoo.com) and she will be happy to assist you. A \$5 materials fee will be collected by the instructor on the day of the workshop.

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1. Find the Online Registration link on [www.valleyartcenter.org](http://www.valleyartcenter.org)
2. Stop in to VAC: M - F 10 - 4 p.m., Sat 10 - 2 p.m.
3. Mail this form or fax to 440-247-5803

## Class & Workshop Registration

Payment for class is due at the time of registration. If VAC is notified less than 7 days prior to the start of a class and more than 2 days before the start of a class, a refund will be given minus a \$10 processing fee. No refund will be given if notified less than 2 days before the start of a class or workshop. VAC may cancel a class if there is insufficient enrollment and a full refund will be given. No class confirmation will be sent so please mark your calendars for class dates. There will be no make up classes unless an instructor cancels a class. Fees are not refunded or prorated for missed classes. Valley Art Center, its members, instructors, trustees, or staff are not liable for damages of any nature arising out of participation at the Center.

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