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PTC Art Classes

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*** All of my classes listed below are designed so that it can be taken for several years without a repeat of artwork or project. We may revisit some lessons in order to reinforce past instruction or theory, but the lesson theme, concept and style will differ greatly. It is very common to have repeat students for several years in one class in order to receive the maximum knowledge and practice of skills. Please take note of the upcoming themes for the 2009-2010 school year.**

Intermediate Art (5th - 7th) **This year's theme: Personal Expression and Design**

Students do not need prior art experience for this class. Students will learn the elements and principles of design, composition, color theory, vocabulary, 3-dimensional design, beginning drawing techniques and will use a wide variety of art material all integrated with art history. This course is teacher-designed following the National Visual Arts Standards.
Time is given at the end of the hour and a half class for cleaning up.
Also in addition to your child's class, your child's work will be displayed on Artsonia...the world's largest online children's art museum! For more information about this please go to www.artsonia.com/home9.
Many supplies are supplied by me. There are however, some student supplies that will need to be purchased and brought back and forth by the student. This list can be found on the website www.parentteacherco-op.com and will also be handed out after sign up.
Supply Fee $50

High School Art (8th- 12th) **This year's theme: Art styles and Appreciation**

This class is great for the beginning high school artist or an experienced student who likes to use a wide variety of art products with a wide range of lessons. In class students will learn the elements and principles of design, composition, color theory, art vocabulary, 3-dimensional design, perspective, plus drawing and painting techniques with some professional supplies. Art history is incorporated within the lessons. This course is teacher-designed following the National Visual Arts Standards. Time is given at the end of the hour and a half class for cleaning up. Also in addition to your child's class, your child's work will be displayed on Artsonia...the world's largest online children's art museum! For more information about this please go to www.artsonia.com/home9.
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Drawing (8th- 12th) **This year's Theme: A Gallery Experience**

This class is great for the high school artist who has had at least 1 year of high school art or would like to have a more challenging experience in the area of drawing.
In class the student will learn:
1. Advanced drawing techniques; still life, line drawing, shading, composition and design, body and facial proportions,
1 and 2 point perspective
2. Advanced color theory and texture techniques.
3. How to use professional supplies such as Prismacolor Colored Pencils, charcoal, pen and ink, technical pencils and pastels.
4. Create artwork covering art styles and periods.
5. Critiquing

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About Me

The Lord has given me so many blessings and it is so wonderful that I have the opportunity to share some of what He has given me; my passion for art, my love for the Lord, and the drive to teach! Ever since I was a little girl I have dreamed of either teaching or art. After 4 years of art in high school, and studying art / education in college, I was finally able to do them both!
The Lord led my journey through a public school, a Christian middle school, HSB since 2000, Grace Home School Association since 2005 and Koinonia in Rockford since 2007. I have now had the privilege of teaching at PTC and
it has been wonderful! Teaching kids in the home school community has definitely been my favorite!
I am married and have 2 children who were home schooled and are now off at college. In addition to teaching I also edit and design the newsletters for the
Swedish American Heritage Society of West Michigan. I enjoy using my free time in the summer to produce works of art for friends, family and the public. Some of my artwork can be seen at the James Store Gallery in Milwaukee, WI and on my website www.karenaboutart.com

Art supply list on next page.

Art Supply List

Elementary Art

1 container to hold all of your child's supplies to be brought back and forth (a tackle box, Rubbermaid container or a small back pack are just some ideas) You may want to put crayons, markers, etc. into separate zip lock storage bags as the supplies tend to dump out into their containers. ***Don't forget to use a sharpie to label all items with your child's initials. It's amazing how many I find on the floor!**

1 smock or cover up (an old adult size T- shirt works well)

Crayola 50 count colored pencils

Crayola Super Tip Markers - 50 count (make sure they are new for the year) Michael's carries the 50 count.

Crayola 96 count crayons for a nice variety of colors

Crayola 24 count watercolors with brush

1 Portfolio (like below) Any brand or color

Intermediate, High School, and Drawing Supply List

It is important for students to own these items so they may work on artwork at home. (Most of these supplies can be found at Michael's or Hobby Lobby.) Watch for Michaels 40% off on 1 product coupon (Michael's ad) in the newspaper for the more expensive items. Also, look on line for online 40% offs coupons at Hobby Lobby and Michaels. If you like to purchase things on line, DickBlick.com has great rates! ***Don't forget to use a sharpie to label all items with your child's initials.**

*Strathmore **Drawing** Pad (**not sketch pad**) or similar type (11x 14**)** Weight of paper must be over 60 lbs.

*Magic Rub vinyl eraser (may come with Graphite Drawing Kit)

*Pencil Sharpener (may come with Graphite Drawing Kit)

*Any container to hold supplies.

Prismacolor 48 Colored Pencil Set (we will not need this right away) These pencils are somewhat expensive, but they are superior and these pencils can be purchased individually if one particular color runs out or if you would like to add to your basic colors.

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Kimberly Graphite Drawing Kit #25 (comes with sharpener and vinyl eraser)
(Staedtler set of 12 is also a nice, superior brand found at Office Depot)

General's Charcoal Pencil Set (**High School and Drawing only)**

Design brand kneaded eraser (for working with charcoal pencils) (**High School and Drawing Class only)** sometimes it comes with the charcoal kit like above.

Eraser Pen or Pencil

*Portfolio 17 X 22 or 1 size below (large envelope with handles to hold artwork)