

# FIRST CITY ART CENTER YOUTH ART PROGRAM

First City Art Center (FCAC) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit art center in Pensacola, FL engaging the community through a broad range of workshops, classes, studio spaces, gallery exhibits, fundraising events, summer camp, youth art program, outreach programs, and field trips.



After-school Art Age 4-8

**YAP Programs** 

Art Lab Age 9-14

Tutoring for Virtual Students

Saturday Art Classes for Families

Summer Camp Age 6-11

Teen Summer Workshops Age 12-17

Hands-on Field Trip Program

High School Mentorship Programs

Youth Art Scholarships

#### Youth Art Program

YAP is dedicated to providing accessible art education programs that inspire, empower, and encourage discovery through the creative process. We recognize that all children have different modes of learning, communication, and self expression. YAP strives to support children to grow into compassionate, innovative thinkers, who see the endless possibilities in the world around them.





#### **Youth Art Program in Action**

YAP began in 2014 with Creatisphere Summer Camp, a three week program serving 36 children. Since then, YAP as expanded to offer year-round classes for children and families, including after school and teen programs. Creatisphere now has over 200 campers attending, and five YAP classes are offered each week during the school year. With support from the community, our goal is to offer at least 1-2 need based scholarships for each program. The growth of YAP demonstrates the need in our community for programs that ambitiously break the mold, engaging children with innovative and thoughtful approaches.

YAP encourages participants to explore and experiment with unique art forms, learning concepts from working hands-on with materials. YAP incorporates STEAM, history, conservation, world cultures, yoga, and mindfulness practices into the program. With the decline of visual art education and hands-on classes in schools, children who learn kinetically are often left behind. YAP bridges this gap with programming that is participatory and accessible regardless of background or previously learned skills.

In 2019, FCAC was awarded an IMPACT 100 grant, "Creating Space for Educating and Inspiring Youth". This grant will allow us serve more children each year! The grant will cover the construction of a new building on our campus, but there is much more that we can do with your support.

The planned expansion of YAP offers the opportunity to continue efforts to revitalize the downtown area, cultivate the creative community which makes Pensacola a cultural asset, and most importantly, impact more children.

We invite you to become an advocate for the youth in our community today!



## YOUTH ART PROGRAM SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

#### **Inspiring Youth Donor**

With your support, we can take our project,
"Creating Space for Educating and Inspiring Youth"
even further! Thanks to a grant awarded by IMPACT 100 in the fall of
2019, the construction of a new building will allow us to increase our
capacity and serve even more children in our community! We need
additional support to make our dreams become a reality!

### **Mobile Glassblowing Outreach Supporter**

Our "Little Dragon" mobile glassblowing studio was made possible by a Sunday's Child grant. We provide educational and inspiring presentations showcasing the art of glass blowing. FCAC artists offer fun information about glass art including history, chemistry, & physics! We are seeking sponsorship to secure a limited number of free visits to Title One Schools in Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties.

### **High School Mentorship Supporter**

FCAC's High School Mentorship programs are offered to motivated students in Grades 9-11, providing students with a free opportunity to experience a hands-on learning series in Glass or Ceramics.

#### **YAP Scholarship Supporter**

Scholarships allow us to serve the needs of children in our local area who may need additional financial and educational support to attend our creative programs.

To get involved, please contact Executive Director, Caitlin Rhea. (850) 429-1222, or director@firstcityart.org