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nimbus·arts spring & summer 2026

Join us this season

as we embark on exciting new artistic adventures and introduce several new artists to the Nimbus team! Unfold unique experiences with some of our special paper artisans, learning techniques dating back in time centuries old. Try your hand at the colorful flow of floating inks in our Italian paper marbling class, or join our talented instructor Kelly Dunn, who will guide you through the mind measured moments of origami. Transform everyday materials into fantastical forms, from butterflies to boats... you will play and experiment with this ancient, mindful and joyful experience for all ages.

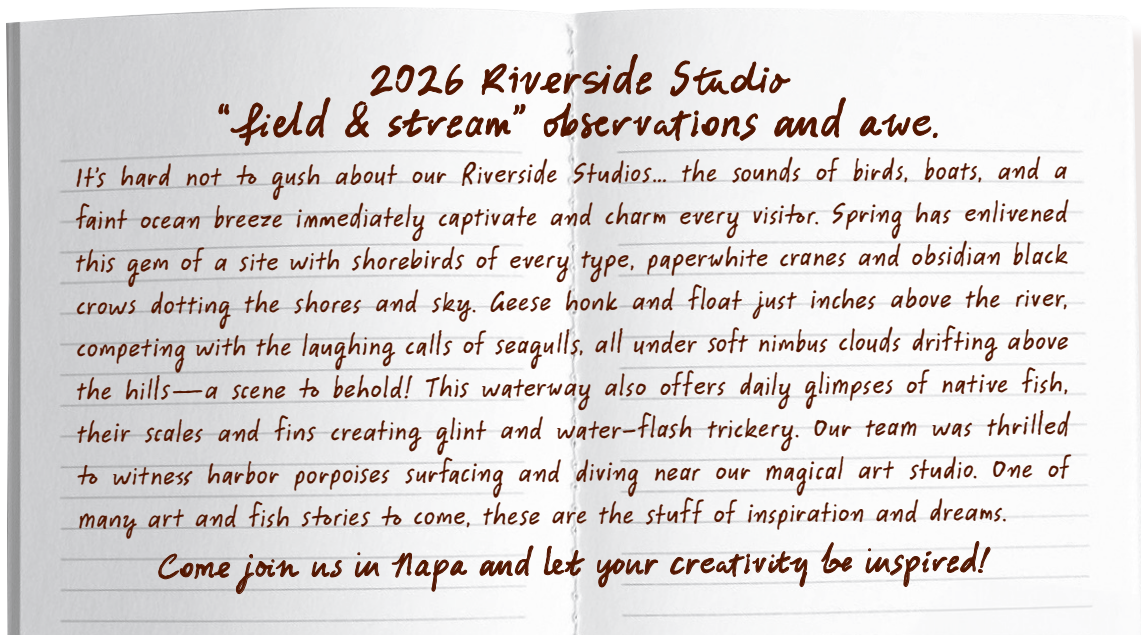
We encourage you to pick your vessel from paper to paddle and journey with us along the Napa River to our special studio locations. The river continues to inspire and inform new directions for our partnerships and programs. Sign up for one of the Paddle and Paint adventures with Napa Valley Gondola and Kayak Co. or check out our dynamic upcoming summer camps offered now in 3 locations including the Napa Discovery Campus, in partnership with the Napa Valley Education Foundation and our Napa Riverside Studio.

Our expanded relationship to the river also serves as a metaphor for our new origins and growing community. In Māori culture, there is a lovely traditional greeting, "*Ko wai koe*?", which translates to "*Who are your waters*?" This greeting seeks to understand a person's identity through their connections to the land, ancestors, and water sources. We cherish the opportunity to be connected to such a special river and place, and to provide a source for your artistic flow and creativity.

Oh, and the creativity doesn't stop there! Join the fun at Napa Valley's "OG" Arty Party fundraiser, **NIMBASH 2026** on **MAY 9th!** Our artist team of poetic imaginers and visionary board of directors have created a dreamy event... where the Jardin De Tuileries meets the artful gardens of Raymond Winery! Saunter and sip through our tree-lined, open-air Musee & Jardin Des Arts! Try your hand at alchemy and compose an original fragrance with our master perfumer, design a painterly parasol, float your origami dreamboat on our parc pond, or fresco paint your own plaster sculpture! True to the most fabled parcs du monde, explore your penchant for flowery finery and wander among café tables, fine wines, gourmet picnic nibbles, artisan activities, artful auction lots, and a wildly wonder-fun dance party! Don't miss this fete des Arts!

See you soon!

—JAMIE GRAFF, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR





I will write peace on your wings and you will fly all over the world.

SADAKO SASAKI

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The creation of beauty is art, and even a folded paper can hold the soul of an artist.

RALPH WALDO EMERSON

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spring & summer 2026 classes

Check out our **dreamy new** collaboration and arty experiences with the mighty team at Napa Valley Gondola

paddle & paint with nimbus arts + napa valley gondola & kayak!

the paddle part!

Embark on a memorable journey along the Napa River beginning in the heart of downtown Napa! Join the Napa Gondola team for a classic Venetian Gondola cruise, accompanied by joyful sounds of Italian music and your singing gondolier. Each of these charming gondoliers creates a unique experience, sharing stories about the significance of the Napa River, and the history of gondolas while they row gently along. AND, for you adventure seekers, row, row, row your own boat! Embrace the river's call for a peaceful kayak trip to explore this paddlers paradise, and the natural wonders of the scenic Napa River. Next, take a short trek to our lovely Riverside Studio for a painting experience inspired by the river journey you have taken!

the painting part!

In these inspiring art sessions, your instructor will introduce you to the materials and methods used in either watercolor or acrylic painting(Instructor dependent). Students will explore images inspired by natural wonders of the local river landscape, wildlife, and your day's boating experience. These wonderful "essential" courses are for curious beginning students, or those wanting to "brush-up" on some skills. Professional grade materials will be provided.

** Sip and Paint experiences, Group River Kayak Nature Tours, or customized parties can be arranged for an additional fee!*

paint & gondola cruise

PG–1.1 | All ages*, Saturday, March 14, 9:30am–12:30pm

PG–1.2 | All ages*, Saturday, April 11, 9:00am–12:30pm

$100/person-maximum 6 people per Gondola **Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult partner. Larger party group up to 12 with 2 Gondolas!*

sip, paint & gondola cruise

SIP–9 | **ADULT 21+** Saturday, March 28, 12:30pm–4:00pm

$110/person—maximum 6 people per Gondola. *Larger party group up to 12 with 2 gondolas!*

paint & river kayak explorer

PK–1.1 | All ages*, Saturday, March 28, 9:30am–1:00pm

PK–1.2 | All ages*, Saturday, May 30, 9:30am–1:00pm

$100/person **Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult partner. * Sip & Kayak & Group River Kayak Sip & Paint & Nature Tours can be arranged for an additional fee!*



animation

introduction to experimental animation

Instructor: Max Harper

Do you want to make your sketches and drawings come to life? Then join us for this introduction to computer animation. Learn the principles of animation, and basic video editing while making your favorite toys or handmade artwork come to life! Taking common objects and student artwork, we will animate characters that jump, climb, fly, run, or even teleport anywhere your imagination and animation can take them! We will be utilizing free software, smartphones, computers, or tablets for this very creative class! **(If a personal device is not available, please contact Nimbus Arts).*

$70 */ 3 class series*

ANIM–1.1 | Ages 7–13, Friday, March 13, 20 & 27, 3:30pm–5:30pm

ANIM–1.2 | Ages 7–13, Saturday, June 13, 20 & 27, 12:30pm–2:30pm

ceramics

ceramics open studio

This is a serene open studio format and learning space for all you enthusiastic ceramicists! Practice the skills you've learned in one of our classes or explore new possibilities with your craft. This is a student lead open studio and no direct instruction is provided. These open studio hours are for previously enrolled Nimbus ceramics students or experienced ceramicists that have been approved by our team. So, expand your clay life experiences in the Nimbus Arts' ceramics studio! Clay purchases must be made through our office, glazes are included and finished ware firings will be handled within our regular scheduled firings. We welcome students and artists alike! **$35** *three-hour studio session*

CL–00 | **ADULT** Sundays, 10:00am–1:00pm ongoing series *(*Please note no classes March 22, April 5, May 3, 10 & 31, June 21, July 5, and September 6)*

foundations in clay:

Hand Building, Wheel Throwing and Sculpture Techniques

Instructor: Amanda Wright

Try your hand at making and designing functional forms in clay! This introductory studio class covers traditional hand-building and surface treatment techniques while pushing the boundaries to include your own style and creativity. In this open studio teaching format students will leave with a solid foundation in working with clay. Then, get your artistic juices flowing by mastering the basics of wheel throwing, creating bowls, cylinders, vases, bottles, and other goodies! This is an inspiring and versatile medium and a great class for both experienced ceramicists and for those new to the medium! **$45** *per class* **$25** *additional materials fee/bag–o–clay with some reclaimed clay available for free!*

** When you register for class, you may now reserve a wheel for a designated time slot to ensure you have the time you need to create! Please email emily@nimbusarts.org to make a reservation. We have 6 wheel spots open per class period. >>*

CL–1 | **ADULT** Mondays & Wednesdays, 6:00pm–9:00pm, ongoing series *(*Please note no classes May 4, 6, 11, 25, June 8, 10 and September 7)*

mini muckers clay class

Instructor: Margaret Dennett

Your young ceramicists will gain confidence and develop skills as they learn the basics of pinch pots, coil, and slab work! We will explore the magic of clay construction and color, while mastering a wide variety of art making tools. Bring your mini masters to these inspired workshops to play, create, and learn! **$80** */ 3 class series*

CL–2.1 | Ages 4–6 Tuesday March 10, 17 & 24 3:30pm–5:00pm

CL–2.2 | Ages 4–6 Tuesday March 31, April 14 & 21 3:30pm–5:00pm *(No class April 7)*

CL–2.3 | Ages 4–6 Tuesday May 26 & June 2, 3:30pm–5:00pm

$55 */ 2 class series*

CL–2.4 | Ages 4–6 Tuesday September 1, 8 & 15 3:30pm–5:00pm

kids clay

Instructor: Margaret Dennett

In this fun interactive class, your young ceramicists will learn or hone their talents! Each week will be a new adventure and project based on developing ceramic skills, such as coil, slab, sculpture and even learning to throw on a pottery wheel. Fun new projects will start each lesson and build on existing developing skills. Students will create fun and crazy tic tac toe games, sculpt animals and monsters, and beautiful hand thrown bowls and vessels. Come prepared to get a little "muddy" as we plunge our hands and hearts into clay and play.

$135 */ 3 class series*

CL–3.1 | Ages 7–12 Thursday March 12, 19 & 26 3:30pm–5:30pm.

CL–3.2 | Ages 7–12 Thursday April 2, 16 & 23 3:30pm–5:30pm *(No class April 9)*.

CL–3.3 | Ages 7–12 Thursday May 21 & 28 3:30pm–5:30pm **$90***/2 class series*

CL–3.4 | Ages 7–12 Thursday September 3, 10 & 17 3:30pm–5:30pm.

CL–8.7 | Ages 7–13 Wednesday April 8, 15 & 22 3:45pm–5:45pm.

Napa Discovery Campus

ceramic spring chickens!

Instructor: Margaret Dennett

In this clay sculpture class, students will ponder, peck and pull charming chicken sculptures from clay. Our ceramic sculptors will be guided through hand building techniques to mold and design a ceramic treasure of endless enchantment. Then students will hand glaze and get dipped finished in clucky, beautiful, and vibrant tones. Great Family Activity! **$55**

CL–4 | Ages 7–Adult Saturday, March 21, 9:30am–12:00pm

ceramic leprechaun and fairy houses

Napa Discovery Campus

Instructor: Margaret Dennett

Come celebrate Spring by decorating your garden with a charming leprechaun or fairy house! In this two-day course students will learn slab and coil hand building skills, to create a one-of-a-kind home for the little fairies and leprechauns in your life. On the first day we will create and decorate these charming houses. They will then go into the kiln and come out ready for day two of painting with underglazes. After a final firing they will be ready to enchant your garden! **$100** */ 2 class series*

CL–12 | Ages 8–12 Wednesday, March 18 & 25, 3:45pm–5:45pm

u-paint pottery

Nimbus is creating a "you paint" pottery experience right here in St Helena. Select from a fun assortment of bisque ware to design and paint, then we will fire and have it ready to pick up the following week! Great activity for adults and children alike! **$20** *class registration fee plus material fee based on wares chosen*

CL–5.1 | All Ages!* Saturday March 28, 11:00am–1:00pm

CL–5.2 | All Ages!* Saturday April 25, 11:00am–1:00pm

CL–5.3 | All Ages!* Saturday June 27, 11:00am–1:00pm

CL–5.4 | All Ages!* Saturday July 25, 11:00am–1:00pm

CL–5.5 | All Ages!* Saturday August 29, 11:00am–1:00pm

CL–5.6 | All Ages!* Saturday September 26, 11:00am–1:00pm

**(Children 6 and under must be a ccompanied by an adult)*

young artist series

ro sham bo: toddler studio time!

First and third Saturdays of each month!

Instructor: Kari Martin aka Kare Bear

Our goal for our Youngest Artist series is...MESSY MUCKING ABOUT IN ART. We encourage our mini artists to play and explore, exposing them to a variety of media and styles to set their young minds free. Toddlers and their adult studio partners can do some free-form, heavyweight, mixed-media, no-holds-barred creations in 2D and 3D, using paint, ceramics, collage, construction, found objects, and of course a bit of glitter. We want your young ones not only to create, but also to immerse themselves, use all their senses, and experience the moment. A wonderful opportunity to work with your little guys and gals, empower their creative energy and applaud their budding, un-bent sense of style and color. **$30**

MM–1 | Ages 2–5, 1st Saturday of each month, 9:30am–11:00am

MM–5 | Ages 2–5, 3rd Saturday of each month! 10:00am–11:30am Napa Discovery Campus

ALL children must be accompanied by an adult partner *(*Please note no classes May 2, July 4 or July 18)*



spring rabbits

Instructor: Anne Pentland

Celebrate Spring by creating your own animated ceramic rabbit sculpture, or two! You will be guided through ceramic hand building techniques to construct a hollow form with stoneware clay. Have fun creating your rabbit's unique stance and charming pose. Your sculptures will then be glaze dipped in the color of your choice. Once fired these special sculptures will adorn your springtime garden. **$60**

CL–6 | Age 8–Adult, Saturday
April 18, 10:00am–12:30pm

easily & effortlessly

Wheel Throwing, Sculpture and Raku Kiln Firing

Instructor: Chris Nugen

This intermediate level ceramics course is designed for students who are comfortable centering and wheel throwing basic forms, and ready to push their work further—both structurally and conceptually. Through focused demonstrations and studio practice, students will refine new skills while exploring altered thrown forms, with a new twist on creative composition and silhouette. Emphasis will be placed on creating intentional forms to serve as strong foundations for expressive techniques in surface treatment. Ceramic techniques explored will include the ancient use of slip, Terra Sigillata, alternative raku firings, as well as traditional firing levels. Technical discussions will cover surface preparation, burnishing, slip application, and firing safety. This course encourages risk-taking and experimentation resulting in the creation of a unified series of focused and finished works of beauty. Don't miss this opportunity to learn and create with Chris! **$200** / *3 class series*

CL–7.1 | TEEN/ADULT Thursday
April 16, 23 & 30, 6:00pm–9:00pm
CL–7.2 | TEEN/ADULT Thursday
July 16, 23 & 30, 6:00pm–9:00pm

altered states

Ceramic Hand Building Altered Forms & Surface Exploration

Instructor: Chris Nugen

This ceramic hand building course focuses on creating both functional and sculptural forms, while building a strong foundation in studio practice and use of materials. Students will be encouraged play, experiment, and the develop a sense of personal art style. Our instructor will meet individually with each student to understand and define goals, interests, and offer guidance for their creative direction! Students will be encouraged to bring examples of other ceramic artists' work, other mediums, historical pieces, objects found in nature, or anything that speaks to an aesthetic sensibility and inspires! Technical demonstrations will include proper attachment and structural integrity, building and altering functional forms, experimenting in textured surfaces, the use of stains, underglaze, washes, mason stain techniques, and alternatives to glazing. Don't miss this exceptional exploration in ceramic sculptures. **$200** / *3 class series*

CL–9.1 | TEEN/ADULT Wednesday
May 13, 20 & 27 2:00pm–5:00pm
CL–9.2 | TEEN/ADULT Wednesday
August 19, 26 & September 2
2:00pm–5:00pm



Want a special party for you and your friends or workmates?
We can create an event just for you! Contact *info@nimbusarts.org* for more Paint & Sip party information.

fire

railroad spike knife class

Instructor: Neil Sucheck

In this one-day class to learn everything you need to know to get started in blade smithing, how to navigate and work safely with equipment in a workshop, and safe tool handling. This class covers design, metal art theory and practice, and at the end of it you will have completed a full tang knife (students' design choice). **$210**

FIRE–4.1 | TEEN/ADULT Sunday
April 26 9:30am–3:30pm
FIRE–4.2 | TEEN/ADULT Sunday
July 26 9:30am–3:30pm

glass fusing

introduction to glass fusing Napa Riverside Studio

New Instructor: Erika Huether

This fun and easy 3-hour workshop introduces you to glass fusing basics and provides you with an opportunity to create a small glass plate. Students will have the opportunity to experiment and create a lovely, fused glass treasure. This workshop will cover cutting techniques and the use of various glass tools. The focus is an introduction to become familiar with the characteristics of fused glass. We will discuss a wide range of fusible glass materials including sheet glass, frit and powder (ground glass), confetti, stringers and more! Students will then launch into designing and creating a beautiful small plate of their own! **$95**

GF–1.1 | TEEN/ADULT Thursday
April 2 6:00pm–9:00pm
GF–1.2 | TEEN/ADULT Sunday
May 3 2:00pm–5:00pm
GF–1.3 | TEEN/ADULT Sunday
June 28 2:00pm–5:00pm
GF–1.4 | TEEN/ADULT Thursday
July 23 6:00pm–9:00pm
GF–1.5 | TEEN/ADULT Saturday
September 12 2:00pm–5:00pm

fused glass baskets

Napa Riverside Studio

New Instructor: Erika Huether

This workshop is a great opportunity to make a beautiful piece of glass art to adorn your home or to give as a gift. Create a 10-inch basket using precut strips of colorful transparent and opaque glass. This workshop will cover cutting techniques and the use of various glass tools. Students will be guided through the design and creation process with lots of inspiring examples of delicate glass baskets, showing the many possible patterns. This is a perfect opportunity to channel the creative "you" and develop your own design. A few days later your basket will be fused, slumped, and ready for use. **$120**

GF–2 | TEEN/ADULT Sunday
April 19 1:00pm- 5:00pm

small fused plates

Napa Riverside Studio

New Instructor: Erika Huether

These beautiful and practical 8" slumped appetizer plates make great gifts or additions to your own home. This fun and easy class introduces you to the basics of glass fusing and slumping as you play with a wide range of materials to design your plates. This workshop will cover cutting techniques and the use of various glass tools. You will learn how to design and decorate with small pieces of glass, frit (finely ground glass), silver wire, and stringers to create masterful, beautiful works of art with utility! **$110**

GF–3 | TEEN/ADULT Saturday
June 6 2:00pm–5:00pm

having fun with fused glass bowls

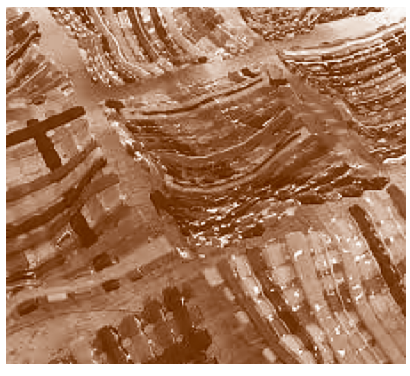
Napa Riverside Studio

New Instructor: Erika Huether

Create your own set of dishes for the holidays or to use throughout the year. This workshop will guide you through the creation of both a 10" inch plate and bowl. This workshop will cover cutting techniques and the use of various glass tools. Come with some design ideas or develop your design in the workshop. We will discuss elements of good design as well as design pitfalls. Then it's time to create using pieces of glass you cut, glass frit (glass granules), stringers, and other material. You will be guided through the layout process, and then your creation will go into the kiln to be "fused" and "slumped." In just a few days you will be able to pick up your personal creation. **$120**

(All pieces are food safe. Handwashing is recommended.)

GF–4 | TEEN/ADULT Saturday
July 11 1:00pm–5:00pm



glass wind chimes workshop

Napa Riverside Studio

New Instructor: Erika Huether

Enjoy the sound of your glass wind chimes while sitting on your patio this season! In this workshop you will be guided through the design and play with a colorful assortment of glass to create a one-of-a-kind wind chime of your dreams. This workshop will cover cutting techniques and the use of various glass tools. Once created we will fuse these charming chimes and are ready to hang a few days later! **$75**

GF–5 | TEEN/ADULT Thursday
August 6 6:00pm–8:00pm

exploring glass fusing

Napa Riverside Studio

New Instructor: Erika Huether

Join this in-depth opportunity to explore glass fusing. In this two session class students will be introduced to the variety and types of glass, and other material that can be used to create glass art. We will also cover cutting techniques and the use of various glass tools. Students will experiment by creating several test pieces that will be fused and follow up with discussions of their results of your experiments. With this newfound explorative knowledge, new designs will then be generated to create an artisan plate or bowl. Throughout the two days we will discuss the characteristics of glass, how fused glass art is created, and related tips, tricks working with glass. Don't miss this creative adventure! **$160** / *2 class series*

GF–6 | TEEN/ADULT Saturday
August 8 & 15 10:00am–12:30pm

mixed media

mini masters preschool art club

Instructors: Andrea Cazares

Engage your 4–6-year-old artists! Join us for these fun mixed media art classes. Young artists will gain confidence and develop their skills as they learn the basics of drawing, painting and collage! We will explore the magic of line, shape and color, while mastering a wide variety of art making tools. Bring your mini masters to these inspired workshops so they can play, create, and learn! **$65** / *3 class series*

MM–2.1 | Ages 4–6 Thursday March 12, 19 & 26 3:30pm–4:45pm
MM–2.2 | Ages 4–6 Thursday April 2, 16 & 23 3:30pm–4:45pm *(no class April 9)*
MM–2.3 | Ages 4–6 Thursday May 21 & 28 3:30pm–4:45pm $45 / *2 class series*
MM–2.4 | Ages 4–6 Thursday September 17, 25 & October 1 3:30pm–4:45pm

art club!

Napa Discovery Campus

Instructor: Kari Martin + Other Nimbus Artsy Crew

Express yourself every Monday! In this dynamic mixed media art club, members will focus on the art of creativity and letting their artistic side shine. We will teach young artists the basics of drawing, painting, and other mixed media to create their very own masterpieces. Drawing from the rich history of art, we will explore the many facets of art making styles. Our enthusiastic club members will continue to build on their skills as they explore art techniques and incorporate their own imaginative ideas!

$95/ *3 class series*

MM–7.3 | Ages 6–8 Monday
March 2, 9 & 16 3:45pm–5:15pm
MM–7.4 | Ages 6–8 Monday
April 6, 13 & 20 3:45pm–5:15pm

contemporary plaster casting workshop

Instructor: Andrea Cazares

This workshop introduces students to the art of contemporary plaster casting from a hand built ceramic design, while incorporating both modern and historical techniques used throughout sculptural history. Designed for beginners and experienced makers alike, this class explores the process of creating molds and reproducing multiple sculptural forms with accuracy and creativity. Students will learn foundational casting methods, material preparation, and techniques for safely pouring, releasing, and refining plaster casts. Emphasis will be placed on understanding how traditional processes inform contemporary approaches, allowing participants to build confidence in producing repeated sculptures. No previous experience is required. This class is ideal for individuals interested in sculpture, mold making. **$140** / *3 class series*

MM–3 | TEEN/ADULT Wednesday,
September 16, 23 & 30, 6:00pm–8:00pm



mosaics

mosaic quick start classes

Napa Riverside Studio

Instructors: Sandra Cruz-Wilson, Kristina Young & other Nimbus Arts'

Mosaic Marvels!

Join us for our studio intro class to the basics of mosaic. This 3-hour class will give you a taste of mosaic art, perfect for anyone wishing to explore this exciting art form. We believe that once you try it, you'll be hooked!! In this class you will make a mosaic that we will apply to your choice of a trivet or garden stone. You will learn the basics of design, materials and tools used, plus techniques of cutting. Leave your completed mosaic with us, and we'll do the messy cementing and grouting, then come pick up your masterpiece in one week. **$60**

MO-2.1 | TEEN/ADULT Sunday April 26
10:00am–1:00pm
MO-2.2 | TEEN/ADULT Tuesday
May 19 5:30pm–8:30pm
MO-2.3 | TEEN/ADULT Sunday
June 14 10:00am–1:00pm
MO-2.4 | TEEN/ADULT Saturday
June 27 2:00pm–5:00pm
MO-2.5 | TEEN/ADULT Thursday
July 23 5:30pm–8:30pm
MO-2.6 | TEEN/ADULT Saturday
July 25 10:00am–1:00pm
MO-2.7 | TEEN/ADULT Sunday
August 23 2:00pm–5:00pm

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broken & beautiful:

Napa Riverside Studio

Wall Hanging Mosaic Workshop

Instructors: Sandra Cruz & Kristina Young

Turn broken things into something beautiful. In this friendly workshop, you'll design and create your own decorative wall hanging using found and repurposed materials — broken ceramics, tile, glass, and more. All materials will be provided, but we invite students to bring in their own special broken treasures: a chipped heirloom dish, a favorite mug, a piece of tile from a meaningful place — anything with a story worth preserving. Working alongside the artist behind Napa's iconic Quake Mosaic Kristina Young and Sandra Cruz, students will learn core mosaic techniques including design composition and material selection as your piece is created. Our team will handle the finishing steps, for pick up the following week later to pick up a completed lovely wall art piece ready for your garden, path, or patio. Perfect for a friend group creative activity, or anyone who loves making things by hand. No experience necessary. **$125**

*Note * Students who would like to learn the final process of thin setting and grouting, please contact us and we will send you the cost for that!*

MO–3.1 | **ADULT** Saturday, April 25, 10:00am–1:00pm

MO–3.2 | **ADULT** Saturday, May 16, 10:00am–1:00pm

painting & drawing

TEEN TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS master artists open studio

Instructors: Melissa and Mercedes Baker and our team of studio artist fun!

Join our team of master artists during this weekly creative hub! Young-adult artists will meet the art world's heavy hitters in this spirited and inquiring approach to artistic invention while invited to bring art projects, musical instruments, portfolios, or nothing but their creative ideas! Students will discover their own artistic voice and produce their own masterpieces–sculpting, sketching, painting, and playing music while discovering the connection between creativity, history, and the contemporary art world. We will inspire our teen artists by looking at the styles of the world's greatest artists, exploring work from each art movement, and each other. Expect everything from free time to create your own work and portfolio, free style art activity, constructive critiques, or even impromptu open mic nights and guest artist visits. Join us in this creative space to work on a school project, visit with creative friends, or just time to chill with a few yummy snacks thrown in to keep the creative juices flowing!! **FREE TO ALL**

PD–1 | **TEENS!** Tuesday 6:00pm–8:00pm, March 3–April 28, 6:00pm–8:00pm. *(*Please note no class April 7)*

PD–9 | **TEENS!** Wednesdays, Jan. 14–April 29, 6:00pm–8:00pm. **Napa Discovery Campus** *(*Please note no class April 1)*

fundamentals of drawing

Creative Drawing & BIG COLORING

Instructor: Max Harper

Learn the FUNdamentals of drawing while unleashing your creativity! We will explore and play with simple elements of art such as line, shape, space, value, and texture. Then we will apply these elements into more complex concepts like crosshatching, shading, stippling, and contouring to add scale and depth to perspective drawings. We will have fun turning simple shapes into characters, landscapes, plants, animals real or imaginary! All supplies will be provided, but students are encouraged to bring in their own projects or supplies if they wish to use them. Please join us to express yourself and develop your own style of drawing, using your evolving skills, intuition, critical thinking, and most importantly, your imagination! **$70** */ 3 class series*





PD–2.1 | Age 8–13 Wednesday March 11, 18 & 25, 3:30pm–5:30pm.

PD–2.2 | Age 8–13 Wednesday April 1, 15 & 22 3:30pm–5:30pm *(No Class April 8)*

PD–2.3 | Age 8–13 Wednesday May 20 & 27 3:30pm–5:30pm , **$50**/2 class series

PD–2.4 | Age 8-13 Wednesday September 2, 9 & 16 3:30-5:30pm - St. Helena

PD–8.6 | Ages 8–13 Monday March 2, 9 & 16 3:45–5:45pm. **Napa Discovery Campus**

PD–8.7 | Ages 8–13 Monday April 6, 13 & 20 3:45–5:45pm. **Napa Discovery Campus**

nimbus plein air group - FREE

Group Organizer: Vincent Pagniucci

Join Nimbus Arts Plein Air–a FREE painting group for artists of any age and ability! We will paint together at beautiful locations in Napa Valley on the Sundays once per month. We are a supportive group of artists and friends that share a love of nature and art. Painting outdoors is a great way to learn about color and composition. You will begin to see color in light and shadows, and you will find exciting compositions in the landscape. Let nature be your guide and be inspired by the beauty of Napa Valley. Participants will supply their own materials. If you need assistance with suggested materials lists or purchases, please contact *info@nimbusarts.org* **FREE**

PD–3 | 2026 Plein Air Painting Dates: 3/15, 4/12, 5/3, 6/7, 7/12 and 9/13, 10:00am-1:00pm. *(*Please note no class in August)*

comic book art for all

Instructor: Max Harper

Let's have some fun while making our own comics! Students will jump right in to design characters, write, and flush out stories, and create page layouts. Then our artists will team up and dive into every part of the process including lettering, penciling, inking, coloring, cover design, and even assembly! We will study a large variety of comics and art styles for inspiration. Students are welcome to bring their own comics and share their favorites. **$70** / 3 class series

PD–4.1 | Ages 8–13 Friday April 3, 17 & 24 3:30pm–5:30pm *(no class Friday April 10)*

PD–4.2 | Ages 8–13 Friday September 11, 18 & 25 3:30pm–5:30pm

oil painting workshop

Instructor: Andrea Cazares

This class offers students an opportunity to get comfortable with oil painting. Whether you have some experience or none, you will enjoy the process of building a painting from the ground up. We will explore colored grounds, monochrome and poly chrome grisailles (the under-painting techniques) and glazing techniques. **$55**

PD–5 | **TEEN/ADULT** Ongoing Thursdays 5:30pm–8:00pm *(*Please note no class April 30, May 7 & 14)*

adventures in surrealist painting

Instructor: William Callnan III

Dive into the winding world of surrealism by studying a different surrealist master painter each week. Students will have an opportunity to wrap their minds around this genre of art, analyze surrealist artist's work, and explore recurring symbols and themes, to create small sample paintings inspired by their style. Students will then be ready to begin crafting original surrealist works using elements and imagery that speak to their own subconscious and imagination. Don't miss this vast surreal journey in art! **$140** */ 3 class series*

PD–6.1 | **TEEN/ADULT** Thursday, April 9, 16 & 23 6:00pm–8:00pm

PD–6.2 | **TEEN/ADULT** Thursday, August 20, 27 & September 3, 6:00pm–8:00pm

printmaking

Get rolling this season on our beautiful Conrad American French Tooled Press! We have gathered some of the Valley's primo printmakers to instruct and inspire you!

pet portrait in printmaking

Instructor: Nancy Willis

We all know who the family "furry" favorite is... and it's time to pay tribute to that special someone. In this fun monotype class, we will honor the personality, love and loyalty of our furry friends to create a stunning printed portrait. Worried that Mr. Whiskers or Princess Fluffy won't keep still for their portrait? Bring your favorite photos to work from and capture their essence in ink, while learning the basics in monotype printmaking. **$65**

PM–1 | **TEEN/ADULT** Saturday, May 23, 10:00am–12:30pm

printmaking workshop:

Monotype and Chine Collé

Instructor: Nancy Willis

If you love decorative papers and printmaking, this workshop is for you! We will explore the layered process of chine collé working with decorative papers adhered to paper within the monotype process. Incorporate pattern, text, or color into your monoprint composition to create a unique set of one-of- kind prints. For beginner and experienced printmakers alike. Bring a snack or lunch to keep the creative juices flowing. **$140**

PM–2 | **TEEN/ADULT** Sunday, June 28, 10:00am–2:30pm

perfumery

slow scent® natural perfumery workshop

Instructor: Jessica Mennella

Explore the art of natural perfumery with Jessica Mennella of FLWR Napa Valley. Learn the foundation and techniques of natural perfumery in this introductory class based on the Slow Scent® method developed by renowned perfumer Mandy Aftel. Create your own unique formula from 18 botanicals whose scent complexity is linked directly to the flowers from which they are derived. Learn the basic structure of Slow Scent® natural perfume formulation and blending techniques. By the end of the workshop, you will have created your signature perfume using the formula you developed in class. Whether you are new to natural perfumery or have attended previous workshops, you are welcome to join us! All materials will be provided. **$125**

PU–1.1 | **TEEN/ADULT** Thursday March 26 6:00pm–8:30pm

PU–1.2 | **TEEN/ADULT** Thursday June 18 6:00pm–8:30pm

PU–2.1 | **TEEN/ADULT** Thursday April 30 6:00pm–8:30pm **Napa Riverside Studio**

PU–2.2 | **TEEN/ADULT** Thursday May 21 6:00pm–8:30pm **Napa Riverside Studio**

kids scent workshop

Instructor: Jessica Mennella

Love smells? Curious about how you can make your very own scents? Or maybe just interested to learn how orange is different from lime and how strawberry is different from peach? Join Jessica Mennella, perfumer and owner of FLWR Napa Valley, for a two-hour kids perfume and design workshop! Kids will learn about 12 different scents that occur in nature, smelling the natural essential oils connected to these botanical materials. We will make our own roller perfume or room spray, create personal labels and perfume cards, and design our own bag to carry the perfume in. **$45**

PU–3.1 | Ages 8–12 Thursday April 30 3:45pm–5:45pm **Napa Riverside Studio**

PU–3.2 | Ages 8–12 Thursday May 21 3:45pm–5:45pm **Napa Riverside Studio**

PU–4.1 | Ages 8–12 Thursday June 18 3:45pm–5:45pm

"art & sip"

We have put a little something' extra into our art & sip series this season, so grab a pal and join the fun!

nip & sip series

Instructor: Andrea Cazares, Sandra Cruz-Wilson & Kristina Young

Make a little mosaic magic! In these mosaic workshops, students will learn mosaic technique basics and create lovely treasures. Our "mosaic tasters" will give you a great sense of how fun and simple it is to make mosaic art (while sipping some fine Napa Valley wine!) These classes will teach you how to work with and nip glass and ceramic tiles to create bright and whimsical designs. Leave your completed mosaic with us, and we'll do the messy cementing and grouting, then come pick up your masterpiece in one week. 1st Friday of each month ongoing series. **$60** */ all materials & wine included.*

(Shipping can be arranged for an additional fee)

SIP–1.1 | **ADULT 21+** Friday April 3 6:30pm–8:30pm.

SIP–1.2 | **ADULT 21+** Friday June 5 6:30pm–8:30pm.

SIP–1.3 | **ADULT 21+** Friday August 7 6:30–8:30pm.

SIP–1.4 | **ADULT 21+** Friday September 4 6:30pm–8:30pm.

SIP–6.1 | **ADULT 21+** Friday March 13 6:00pm–8:00pm. **Napa Riverside Studio**

SIP–6.2 | **ADULT 21+** Friday April 10 6:00pm–8:00pm. **Napa Riverside Studio**

SIP–6.3 | **ADULT 21+** Friday May 15 6:00pm–8:00pm. **Napa Riverside Studio**

SIP–6.4 | **ADULT 21+** Friday June 19 6:00pm–8:00pm. **Napa Riverside Studio**

SIP–6.5 | **ADULT 21+** Friday July 10 6:00pm–8:00pm. **Napa Riverside Studio**

SIP–6.6 | **ADULT 21+** Friday August 14 6:00pm–8:00pm. **Napa Riverside Studio**

paint and sip

Instructor: Andrea Cazares

Enjoy masterfully designed wines while studying the masters! What better place to have a "Paint & Sip" experience than in the Napa Valley! This no-experience-required 2 hours of pure pleasure is a perfect way to unwind with friends and share an evening of fun! Grab those pals and join us at Nimbus for an evening of creativity, Napa style! Great party event too! **$55**

SIP–2.1 | **ADULT 21+** Friday March 20 6:30pm–8:30pm.

SIP–2.2 | **ADULT 21+** Friday April 17 6:30pm–8:30pm.

SIP–2.3 | **ADULT 21+** Saturday June 19 6:30pm–8:30pm.

SIP–2.4 | **ADULT 21+** Saturday July 17 6:30pm–8:30pm.

SIP–2.5 | **ADULT 21+** Friday August 21 6:30pm–8:30pm.

SIP–2.6 | **ADULT 21+** Friday September 18 6:30pm–8:30pm.

SIP–3.1 | **ADULT 21+** Friday March 27 6:30pm–8:30pm. **Napa Riverside Studio**

SIP–3.2 | **ADULT 21+** Friday April 24 6:30pm–8:30pm. **Napa Riverside Studio**

SIP–3.3 | **ADULT 21+** Friday May 29 6:30pm–8:30pm. **Napa Riverside Studio**

SIP–3.4 | **ADULT 21+** Friday July 31 6:30pm–8:30pm. **Napa Riverside Studio**

spring & summer 2026 classes

paint & sip: surrealism edition

Instructor: William Callnan III

Enjoy a fun, relaxed evening of painting and creativity—with a surrealist twist. Guided by artist instructor Will Callnan III, our super surrealist expert, you'll recreate dreamlike and imaginative works inspired by famous surrealist artists, all while sipping worldly Napa Valley wines. No experience necessary—just bring your curiosity and creativity! **$55**

SIP–4.1 | **ADULT 21+** Saturday April 18 3:30pm–5:30pm

SIP–4.2 | **ADULT 21+** Saturday May 23 6:00pm–8:00pm

SIP–4.3 | **ADULT 21+** Saturday August 22 6:00pm–8:00pm

jewelry and sip

Micro Mosaic Jewelry Workshop

Instructor: Andrea Cazares

Discover the therapeutic, expressive, and historic art of micro mosaics while creating a beautiful pendant. Designed for both beginners and experienced creatives, this class invites students to explore color, composition, and self-expression through the process of cutting and arranging small glittering glass tiles into wearable works of art. Participants will learn foundational mosaic skills and techniques. **$55**

SIP–5.1 | **ADULT 21+** Wednesday April 22 6:30–8:30pm.

SIP–7.1 | **ADULT 21+** Wednesday June 10 6:30–8:30pm. Napa Riverside Studio

SIP–7.2 | **ADULT 21+** Wednesday July 29 6:30–8:30pm. Napa Riverside Studio

Want a special party for you and your friends or workmates? We can create an event just for you! Contact *info@nimbusarts.org* for more Paint & Sip party information.

rosé & roses

Napa Riverside Studio

Instructor: Jessica Mennella

Get ready to see the world through rose colored glasses in this rosé and rose themed scent class with Jessica Mennella of FLWR Napa Valley. In this class you will explore the scent of roses and a dozen other complementary scents that make up the classic notes of the rose, while sipping a glass of Napa Valley rosé. Discover where the wine and roses overlap in scent. You'll create your own 6ml rose-centered botanical perfume to take home. No prior experience necessary. A great class for girlfriends or a sweet early Mother's Day gift. **$125**

SIP–8 | **ADULT 21+** Saturday May 2 3:00pm–5:00pm

art & soul

introductory soulcollage® workshops

Instructors: Lisa Hinz, Leticia Russell

SoulCollage® is a process of playing with collected images to convey a narrative mosaic on a personal deck of collaged cards. Speaking through images becomes an invitation to uncover metaphors and personal storylines. Joyfully deepen your understanding of the relationships between your personality parts, you and your family/community/world, your dreams, and spirit. It is a fun and transformative process that provides artful meaning in a fun and creative way. 2nd Saturdays of each month ongoing series. **$35**

SOUL–1.1 | **TEEN/ADULT** Saturday April 11 9:00am–11:00am

SOUL–1.2 | **TEEN/ADULT** Saturday June 13 9:00am–11:00am

SOUL–1.3 | **TEEN/ADULT** Saturday July 11 9:00am–11:00am

SOUL–1.4 | **TEEN/ADULT** Saturday August 8 9:00am–11:00am

SOUL–1.5 | **TEEN/ADULT** Saturday September 12 9:00am–11:00am

*(*Please note no class May 9)*



textile arts

introduction to textile arts

Instructor: Andrea Cazares

Kickstart your creativity through textile art! Learn the fundamentals of sewing by transferring 2-dimensional patterns into 3-dimensional forms. Students will have the opportunity to create stuffed animals, costumes, embroidered pillows, and anything else in between! No previous experience is required to enjoy this stitch & fun foray into textile arts! $100*/3 class series*

TA–1.1 | Ages 6–14 Monday March 16, 23 & 30 3:30pm–5:30pm

TA–1.2 | Ages 6–14 Monday April 13, 20 & 27 3:30pm–5:30pm

TA–1.3 | Ages 6–14 Monday September 14, 21 & 28 3:30pm–5:30pm

intermediate textile arts

Instructor: Andrea Cazares

We are taking textiles to the next level! Students will build upon foundational sewing skills with more complex patterns and creative creations. This class is designed for students that have taken Introduction to Textile Arts, have previous sewing machine experience or have been approved by our instructor. **$110***/ 3 class series*

TA–2.1 | Ages 9–15 Friday March 13, 20, & 27 3:30pm–5:30pm

TA–2.2 | Ages 9–15 Friday April 3, 17 & 24 3:30pm–5:30pm *(No class April 10)*

TA–2.3 | Ages 9–15 Friday September 18, 25 & October 2 3:30pm–5:30pm

basics in adult sewing

Instructor: Andrea Cazares

Join us for a three-week series designed to introduce you to the art of sewing. Whether you're a complete beginner or looking to refresh your skills, this class will guide you through the fundamentals of using a sewing machine with confidence. Students will learn essential sewing machine techniques, fabric handling, and traditional sewing terms and methods used in both garment-making and craft projects. Each session will give hands-on experience with practical sewing exercises, leaving students with the confidence and knowledge to start their own sewing projects with ease. No previous sewing experience required. **$110** */ 3 class series*

TA–3.1 | **TEEN/ADULT** Tuesday March 17, 24 & 31 6:00pm–8:00pm

TA–3.2 | **TEEN/ADULT** Tuesday April 14, 21 & 28 6:00pm–8:00pm

TA–3.3 | **TEEN/ADULT** Tuesday September 15, 22 & 29 6:00pm–8:00pm

sewing circle

Instructor: Yesenia Villaseñor

Sewing Circle is a hands-on weekly follow-up to our Basic Adult Sewing Class and open to anyone with some sewing machine experience. Bring your ideas, personal projects, while building confidence and expanding your technical skills. With guidance and support from our instructor, you'll advance your sewing techniques, troubleshoot challenges, and pick up practical tips for altering garments to achieve the perfect fit—all while bringing your creative ideas in fabric to life! We encourage participants to bring their own sewing machine if available, along with materials for any project you'd like to work on. Basic supplies will be provided, and our instructor will guide you in choosing the right materials just for you. While you are refining skills, this circle is all about learning together, creating your own designs, and enjoying the creative process! **$110** */ 3 class series*

TA–9.1 | **TEEN/ADULT** Monday April 13, 20 & 27 6:00pm–8:00pm

TA–9.2 | **TEEN/ADULT** Tuesday June 16, 23 & 30 6:00-8:00pm

TA–9.3 | **TEEN/ADULT** Tuesday July 14, 21 & 28 6:00pm–8:00pm

TA–9.4 | **TEEN/ADULT** Tuesday August 11, 18 & 25 6:00pm–8:00pm

clothing flip worksh

Instructor: Yesenia Villaseñor

Does a beloved garment in your closet need a fun update? Join our Clothing Flip Workshop and transform a stained shirt, basic sweatshirt, or faded jeans into your new favorite piece! Make it truly your own by painting decorative patches, adding fabric or button collages, and discovering creative ways to breathe new life into a well-loved garment. Bring a piece that's ready for a fun makeover, and leave the workshop with something fresh, unique, and totally you—that's a promise! **$45**

TA–10.1 | **TEEN/ADULT** Saturday April 25 10:00am–12:00pm

TA–10.2 | **TEEN/ADULT** Saturday July 25 10:00am–12:00pm

TA–10.3 | **TEEN/ADULT** Sunday August 23 10:00am–12:00pm

slow stitching

Instructor: Leticia Rosado Russell

Gathering and working with our hands, to pull needle and thread to bind fabric is a long held tradition of sewing circles and quilting bees. The class will combine the mindful meditative practice of hand sewing with exploration of stitching for stitching's sake through simple embroidery, and hand stitching and fabric collage. Each week class participants will be introduced to the work of a new artist exploring the personal vocabulary of textile arts. Class participants will have the opportunity to try new stitching techniques or work on a personal project. Join us to enjoy the joy of stitching in community. **$45**

TA–4.1 | **TEEN/ADULT** Wednesday June 10 6:00pm–8:00pm

TA–4.2 | **TEEN/ADULT** Wednesday July 8 6:00pm–8:00pm

TA–4.3 | **TEEN/ADULT** Wednesday August 12 6:00pm–8:00pm

macramé 101

Napa Riverside Studio

Instructor: Kari Martin

Let's get "knotty!" Join us to learn the five basic knots of macramé: lark head, spiral knots, square knots, double hitch and berry knots. You'll design your own macramé wall hanging using knot combinations to create something that is uniquely yours. This is a great class to take with a friend or give your final piece as a gift! **$55**

TA– 5 | **TEEN/ADULT** Saturday March 21 2:00pm–4:00pm

indigo vat dyeing workshop

Instructor: Emma Higgins

Indigo is one of the world's most revered and celebrated dyes. The tradition of dyeing with indigo is over 3000 years old and spans the globe. To this day, it remains one of the worlds most prized and sought after colors and is still shrouded in mystique and mystery. In this class students will learn the basics of the ancient art of indigo vat dyeing, as well as folding patterns, ties, and thread binding techniques to make some beautifully patterned and naturally dyed items. There will be tea towels and scarves available for dyeing with additional items available for purchase! Be sure to wear clothing you don't mind getting a little blue! **$75**

TA–6.1 | **TEEN/ADULT** Saturday March 21 1:00pm–3:00pm.

TA–6.2 | **TEEN/ADULT** Saturday July 11 3:00pm–5:00pm.

TA–7.1 | **TEEN/ADULT** Saturday April 18 1:00pm–3:00pm Napa Riverside Studio

TA–7.2 | **TEEN/ADULT** Saturday June 13 3:00pm-5:00pm. Napa Riverside Studio

fashion design illustration

NEW SERIES!

Instructor: Yesenia Villasenor

In this 3 class mixed-media fashion illustration series, students will learn to bring their couture designs to life! Explore traditional drawing and watercolor techniques alongside collage to add layers, textures, and movement to your design dreams. Get ready to mix, layer, and experiment as you create bold, expressive illustrations that showcase your own originality and style! **$95***/ 3 class*

TA–8 | Ages 7–12 Wednesdays April 1, 15 & 22 3:30pm–5:30pm. *(No class April 8)*

wood

wooden spoon carving class

Instructor: Tyler Nutter

Under the expert guidance of your instructor, students will use a woodworking knife and ax to carve a block of wood into a personal eating spoon! Beginning with your own lovely billet of wood, you will roughly carve the outline of a spoon using your trusty ax. Once the basic shape is achieved students will proceed to fine tuning and shaping the outside of the spoon using a "Sloyd" knife. The final step of the process is carving out the bowl of your spoon with your 3rd tool of the day, a hook knife. **$65** **Please note students should be physically able to gently swing a 1lb ax and use a knife. No experience required for adults just physical ability and will.*

WOOD–1 | **TEEN/ADULT** Sunday April 19 10:00am–1:00pm. Napa Riverside Studio

WOOD–2 | **TEEN/ADULT** Sunday August 9 10:00am–1:00pm.

wooden spatula carving class | Napa Riverside Studio

Instructor: Tyler Nutter

Under the expert guidance of your instructor, students will use a woodworking knife and ax to carve a block of wood into the perfect spatula. Beginning with your own lovely billet of wood, you will roughly carve the outline of a spatula using your trusty ax. Once the basic shape is achieved students will proceed to fine tuning and shaping the outside of the spatula using a "Sloyd" knife. **$65** **Please note students should be physically able to gently swing a 1lb ax and use a knife. No experience required for adults just physical ability and will.*

WOOD–3 | Ages 10–Adult Sat., May 2, 10:00am–1:00pm. Napa Riverside Studio

woodburning art Cheese Boards

Instructor: Kari Martin

Let's turn up the heat and make art! We will use specialized tools to burn designs on either decorative or functional pieces. Students will learn to use burning tools and nibs, transfer designs to wood, burning techniques and perhaps adding a splash of color using inks to create a one-of-a-kind culinary treasure. **$45**

WOOD–4.1 | **TEEN/ADULT** Friday April 17 6:00pm–8:00pm

WOOD–4.2 | **TEEN/ADULT** Friday August 14 6:00pm–8:00pm

WOOD–5.1 | **TEEN/ADULT** Friday May 22 6:00pm–8:00pm Napa Riverside Studio



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"collector's café" bringing the masters to our community!

Our Collectors Café series is back! These salon-style guest lectures, fabulous visiting artists, and special artisan workshops cover a wide range of topics and ideas in the world of art. These high impact art events will be loaded with rich hands-on experiences, demonstrations, and bold art topics. So, bring your friends and share time as you explore the arts with us!

Join our NEW host of perfect "papier" artisans

for these exciting new paper and mixed-media opportunities

precious paper flowers

***NEW** Instructor: Susan Crawford*

Unlock your inner florist and create a stunning crepe paper bouquet of Zinnia or Dahlia blooms. "Spring" into your creativity by enjoying a relaxing atmosphere learning to construct delicate paper floral designs. This beginner friendly class is designed to open your imagination while learning basic construction techniques, using a variety of crepe paper and other brightly assorted and collected papers for your flower composition. All supplies and tools will be provided, just bring your inspired selves and the artful love of flowers! **$55**

CC–1.1 | TEEN/ADULT Sunday March 29 9:30am–12:30pm | ***Dahlias***
CC–1.2 | TEEN/ADULT Sat. June 6 9:30am–12:30pm | ***Icelandic Poppies***
CC–2.1 | TEEN/ADULT Sunday May 3 9:30am–12:30pm | ***Roses***
Napa Riverside Studio
CC–2.2 | TEEN/ADULT Sat. June 20 9:30am–12:30pm | ***California Poppies***
Napa Riverside Studio

italian paper marbling

Instructor: Emma Higgins

Learn the ancient art of paper marbling! Students will learn about the history of marbling and how to prepare the water medium, paper, and paints. Using classic tools, rakes, and combs, you will learn to create beautiful traditional patterns and time to experiment with other techniques and ideas. This course will teach you the basic skills to make intricate, beautiful, marbled paper. You will leave with a complete set of your own beautifully marbled paper that can then be used in a multitude of projects, from collages to books and more! Please note that paper marbling is a wet process so you may need to return to Nimbus to pick up your work. **$85**

CC–3.1 | TEEN/ADULT Saturday April 4 3:00pm–6:00pm
CC–4.1 | TEEN/ADULT Wednesday May 6 6:00pm–9:00pm
Napa Riverside Studio
CC–4.2 | TEEN/ADULT Wednesday July 8 6:00pm–9:00pm
Napa Riverside Studio

introduction to origami



Traditional origami – the basics

***NEW** Instructor: Kelly Dunn*

Origami teaches art in a fun and engaging way, using basic geometric shapes to transform a single sheet of paper into three-dimensional forms. Part puzzle-solving and part creative play, it builds dexterity, focus, and spatial reasoning. Learn to fold traditional models, flapping birds, jumping horses, and butterflies while exploring the history of the peace crane and the tradition of origami. Entertaining, creative, and inspiring for all ages! **$45**

CC–5.1 | TEEN/ADULT Saturday April 11 2:00pm–4:00pm
CC–5.2 | TEEN/ADULT Tuesday June 23 5:00pm–7:00pm
CC–6.1 | TEEN/ADULT Saturday May 16 2:00pm–4:00pm
Napa Riverside Studio
CC–6.2 | TEEN/ADULT Sunday July 19 2:00pm–4:00pm
Napa Riverside Studio



origami butterflies & bunnies

New Instructor: Kelly Dunn

Discover the beauty and joy of folding origami butterflies in this hands-on class. Using simple geometric folds, you'll transform a single sheet of paper into delicate, three-dimensional butterflies while building focus, dexterity, and spatial reasoning. This class introduces traditional butterfly models and explores the symbolism of butterflies in origami and art. Entertaining, creative, and inspiring, this class is fun for all ages and experience levels. Great family activity! **$35**

CC–7.1 | All Ages* Sunday April 26 2:00pm–4:00pm. Napa Riverside Studio
CC–8.1 | All Ages* Sunday June 28 2:00pm–4:00pm
CC–8.2 | All Ages* Sunday August 2 2:00pm–4:00pm
*(*Children 8 and under must be accompanied with an adult partner)*

***Kelly Dunn** is a BFA-trained artist and lifelong origami enthusiast who started folding paper as a child after learning to create her first paper crane from a friend—and never stopped. For her, origami is a passion, a meditative practice, and a source of endless inspiration. Kelly happily shares her knowledge of paper folding in art education programs, museums, and at origami conventions, inspiring learners of all ages to turn a simple sheet of paper into something joyful and unexpected. She lives in Napa with her golden retriever, Rusty, her most loyal folding companion.*

play with paper—collage artistry

***NEW** Instructor: Sasha Davies*

This creative class is an invitation to play with paper and connect with other craft-curious folks. Participants will learn techniques for combining materials and layering for depth and design using a colorful pallet of collected papers. Class will begin with warm-up exercises using precut geometric shapes where each participant will design and create a quilt square. When complete, these mini quilt squares will be displayed together on a table for participants to arrange and rearrange throughout the class. The remainder of class time will be devoted to collaging a greeting card, postcard, or bookmarks. Students get to take home any cut and collected collage materials to continue working on their projects to their creative heart's desire. Through the process of using unexpected materials, this paper collage art class offers a relaxing, creative way to explore composition, color, and texture by assembling cut or torn papers to create unique, layered artworks. Designed for all skill levels. **$45**

CC–9.1 | TEEN/ADULT Saturday April 25 10:00am–12:00pm
CC–9.2 | TEEN/ADULT Sunday June 14 2:00pm–4:00pm

CC–10.1 | TEEN/ADULT Wednesday May 13 6:00pm–8:00pm. Napa Riverside Studio
CC–10.2 | TEEN/ADULT Sunday May 31 10:00am–12:00pm. Napa Riverside Studio
CC–10.3 | TEEN/ADULT Sunday August 23 10:00am–12:00pm. Napa Riverside Studio



get wrapped up in green!

kokedama—living plant arrangements

***NEW** Instructor: Cathrina Susoev*

Join us for a hands-on journey into the Japanese art of kokedama-living plant arrangements wrapped in moss. In this workshop, you'll learn the traditional techniques of forming and binding moss balls, while exploring the balance of beauty, simplicity, and nature that defines this practice. Guided by Cathrina of Cat Hawk Gardens—The Kokedama Mama—you'll create your own kokedamas to take home, along with the skills to continue making more on your own. No prior experience is needed; just bring curiosity and a love of plants. This workshop also includes a gentle, grounding Self-Breema movement practice to help you connect body and mind before diving into your creative work. **$150**
Fee includes instruction, care and supplies for making two Kokedamas

CC–11 | TEEN/ADULT Saturday June 27 2:00pm–4:00pm
CC–12 | TEEN/ADULT Saturday July 18 2:00pm–4:00pm. Napa Riverside Studio

upcoming exhibition:

Nancy Willis: "fragile light/beauty at the edge of uncertainty"

march 15th to march 29th

Opening Reception:
Sunday, March 15th, 2:00 to 5:00pm
Artist Panel Discussion:
Thursday, March 19th, 7:00pm
Free Family Art Day:
Sunday, March 22nd, 2:00 to 4:00pm

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life of pie—wood-fired artisan pizza workshop

Instructor: Michelle Mutrux, Life of Pie Pizza
Get ready to roll up your sleeves, toss some dough, and gather around the fire! Join chef and pizza-maker **Michelle Mutrux** of *Life of Pie Pizza* for a lively, hands-on class celebrating the art of true, wood-fired pizza. We'll start with the essentials, mixing silky dough by hand, coaxing the perfect rise, and crafting sauces bursting with flavor from simple, beautiful ingredients. You'll learn how to balance toppings like an artist, layering texture and color for pizzas that look as good as they taste. Then, we'll take it all to the fire, exploring how heat, timing, and intuition come together to create that elusive, **blistered crust** that defines artisan pizza. You'll bake your own pizza in a real wood-fired oven, enjoy plenty of slices during class, and **take one home to share** (if you can resist eating it on the way!). This class is equal parts play, flavor, and firelight — a joyful adventure for food lovers, friends, and anyone who believes that pizza is best when made by hand and shared from the heart.
**To keep the inspiration going, copies of The Pizza Bible by Tony Gemignani will be available for purchase—an excellent companion to continue your wood-fired adventures at home.*

FIRE–1 | **ADULT 21+** Sunday April 19, 11:00am–2:00pm **$175**.
FIRE–1 | **ADULT 21+** Sunday May 17, 11:00am–2:00pm **$175**. Napa Riverside Studio
(Wines by the glass will be served!)

introduction to blacksmithing

Instructor: Tommy Brown
Come enjoy the exciting transformation of solid steel into a pliable, workable material through the fire of the forge. This class will teach the fundamental skills needed to forge steel and understand blacksmithing tools. Students will be introduced material manipulation such as drawing [stretching the metal], upsetting [thickening the metal], hole punching, cutting, twisting, bending, and more! A propane forge will be used in this workshop, and person safety instruction will be discussed. Completed projects will consist of both decorative and functional pieces. This workshop will bring a new view to the art ironwork, and you will never see decorative ironwork in the same way once you've created some of your own! Students will work in a stress-free environment, progressing at their own rate, and will be encouraged to have a good time! This workshop is designed for the beginning artist blacksmith. **$295**



FIRE–3 | **TEEN/ADULT** Saturday and Sunday May 30 & 31 10:00am–4:00pm
**Morning coffee and tea available, please bring a sack lunch to keep the creative juices flowing.*

***Tom Brown** put in nearly a decade of work as the coordinator of Mendocino Art Center's Sculpture Program. One of the tasks he performed there was the organization and instruction of art foundry classes. Tom continues to build his skills, as well as his passion and love for the art of blacksmithing.*

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NAPA VALLEY'S MOST ARTY PARTY!

WHEN: saturday, may 9, 2026

WHERE: Raymond Vineyards, 1584 St Helena Hwy, St Helena, CA

Jardin des Arts

Join our artist team of poetic imaginers and loving visionary board of directors for this dreamy intersection where the Jardin De Tuileries meets artful gardens Raymond Winery! Saunter and sip your way through our Jardin Des Arts, a tree lined open air muse! Try your hand at alchemy and compose an original fragrance with our master perfumier, design a painterly parasol, float your dreamboat of origami on our parc pond, or fresco pigment paint your own plaster sculpture!

True to the most fabled parcs du monde, you may explore your penchant for flowery finery, and wander amidst café tables, fine wines, gourmet picnic nibbles, and artisan activities! Don't miss our Fête des Arts **NIMBASH 2026**!

TO BENEFIT
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Check out the fabulous activities coming up at our new Napa locations, including our open house at the beautiful Riverside Studio, a youth art exhibit, and of course many new + classic tried-and-true Nimbus classes to enjoy.

Please join us on Saturday, March 7, to celebrate our new arty presence in downtown napa! Visit our beautiful Riverside Studio at 101 S. Coombs St. #y9 for classes, art activities, demonstrations, a spring art market, goodies to nibble & sip, and more!

art market & open house | 11:00am–3:00pm

class schedule

mosaic quick start
10:00am–12:30pm | ages 12 & up | **$55** | details & registration

spring card printing
11:00am–1:00pm | ages 8 & up | **FREE!** | details & registration

u-paint pottery
1:30pm–3:00pm | all ages | **$20** + materials | details & registration

A Free Youth Art Experience:
NEWS + Nimbus Arts Mobile Studio



Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month



i'd peel an orange for you
real love respects, TDVAM 2026

ST HELENA & NAPA · NIMBUS ARTS

This February, NEWS is partnering with **Nimbus Arts** and local schools to engage our youth in **Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month** through creative expression and conversation. At school sites, students will participate in our **"I'd Peel an Orange for You"** campaign by writing **Orange Love Notes** — short reflections of care, respect, and healthy boundaries.

In a hands-on creative sessions with **Nimbus Arts**, youth will explore similar themes through art-making and guided discussions in different locations in American Canyon, Napa, and Calistoga. Together, these experiences create space for learning, self-expression, and a deeper understanding of what healthy relationships can look and feel like.

Email **Jennifer Abram** for more information about this program.

nimbus à la carte: serving up art, nimbus style

birthday parties, group happenings & corporate fun. design an art event or organize a private art class!

Do you have a group of 5 or more friends that would like to take a class at Nimbus Arts? Now you can create and customize your own art class! We will work with you to select from our fleet of over 35 artists to find the most exciting project & medium, and pick the best time that works for you!

- Could it get any better? Well, YES! This can be a class for any age group from preschool to adults!
- Choose a subject we offer, or suggest something you don't see, and we'll do our best to make it happen.
- To set up your class, discuss fees and for scheduling contact: *info@nimbus-arts.org*

CAMP CONFIDENTIAL 2026

Yes sir, pack 'em up and plan your summer fun at Nimbus ALL summer; half day and full day arty fun begins June 8th!

dreaming about summer camps

st. helena

clay and play

Instructors: Yup–ALL of our Primo Potters! Margaret Dennett and Anne Pentland

Here is an opportunity for young ceramics lovers to create and play while learning techniques in clay. Sometimes it just feels good to mush and mash, but don't you worry, we will help your little clay crafters make wonderful sculptures and tiny vessels or cups. While learning basic hand and coil construction, and with an added bit of imagination, students will design lavish ceramic lovables all their own. Students will also spend some time on glazing techniques to add color to their creations. Get your hands in clay, it's a great way to play! **$200**

CA–1.1 | Ages 5–7, Monday–Friday, June 8–12, 9:00am–11:30am

CA–1.2 | Ages 8–13, Monday–Friday, June 8–12, 1:00pm–3:30pm

CA–1.3 | Ages 6–12, Monday–Friday, July 27–31, 9:00sm–11:30am

master puppetry camp

St. Helena Montessori

Instructors: Our nimble Nimbus team of puppet masters

Join us for this total immersion puppetry camp of JOY! In this special workshop you will design puppets large and small from finger puppets to shadow puppets and marionettes. Our puppeteers will be crafting from their imaginations to create show stopping puppets, dreaming up stories, and acting them out in student made puppet theaters. Pinocchio hold on to your hat! In this camp our team instructors will guide students through a collaborative creation of a GIANT large-scale Nimbus puppet to thrill one and all. Don't miss out on the week of "Punch & Judy" fun. **$425**

CA–4 | Ages 6–12, Monday–Friday, June 15–19, 9:00am–3:00pm

bothe nature camp | *Bothe State Park*

Instructors: Carolyn Sanders and her campy crafting crew

Experience classic summer campy fun at this 23-year running natural science and craft camp. Our campers will build a solar oven, tie-dye, hike, craft and create, learn campfire songs & games, and explore the wilds while enjoying a s'more! Dreaming of an old fashioned, unplugged summer experience? Then dream catcher your way into this summer perfection as you cool off with an afternoon swim and relax in the natural surroundings of Bothe State Park. **$425** *Includes camp activities, daily snack, pool lifeguards, & supplies*

CA–5 | Ages 7–12, Monday–Friday, June 22–26, 10:00am–5:00pm

self portrait camp | *St. Helena Studios*

Instructors: Our lovely team of primo portrait artisans

YOUR budding artists will be the special subject of this mixed media art camp! Our primo portrait- instructors will guide students through techniques so they can draw, collage, print, paint and sculpt their own likeness. Self-portraits are a revered tradition of artists throughout the ages. Students will study examples from master artists, learn and discover facial proportions and the unique and lovely features of their own faces. Expect many timeless treasures for this special camp. **$425**

CA–8 | Ages 6–13, Monday–Friday, July 6–10, 9:00am–3:00pm

pet & animal portrait camp

St. Helena Montessori

Instructors: Our "well trained" team of arty "mutts"

Be ready to "unleash" your creativity and dive into the expressive world of animal art at this PURRRRFECT summer camp. Students will explore a variety of media from papier mache and pastels to paints and prints to capture the image of their own beloved pets, or to explore the beauty of wildlife through with a fun and furry array of references. During our flurry of furry explorations our students will also be exposed to famous master artists who have portrayed their favorite animal and pet in their own works of art. Expect the unexpected, be ready to cuddle a pawed guest or few! **$425**

CA–10 | Ages 6–13, Monday–Friday, July 20–24, 9:00am–3:00pm

master artist camp | *St. Helena Studios*

Instructors: Melissa and Mercedes Baker

The Baker sisters do it again at Nimbus with their extraordinary mixed media art camp! Your young artists will meet the art world's heavy hitters in this spirited and inquiring approach to artistic invention. Students will produce their own masterpieces—sculpting, sketching, and painting while discovering the connection between creativity and history. We will inspire our artists by looking at the styles of the world's greatest artists and exploring work from each art movement. Expect everything from the watery pastel images of Monet to the abstract portraits of Picasso. Be prepared! You may see the family cat as a cubist feline. **$225**

CA–11 | Ages 8–13, Monday–Friday, July 27–31 1:00pm–4:00pm

a taste of art camp | *St. Helena Studios*

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

Instructors: Nimbus Arts' "cookin' up some fun" artist team

In this fabulous arty camp, we will explore fun with food... think Wayne Thibault meets Julia Child! It is a perfect pairing of art and tasty culinary creations. From pastries and pastas to savory and silly dishes alike, students will bring these tasty treats to life in their artwork as well through still life paintings, pastry inspired prints, painted glazed platters and more! So get your young culinary artisans join this tasty mix of saucy skills and develop and taste for the arts. **$225**

CA–13 | Ages 6–13, Monday–Friday, August 17–21 9:00am–12:00pm

napa

napa parade and float camp

Napa Discovery Campus

Instructors: Nimbus Arts' Parade Team

Come be a part of the Nimbus Arts' "FLOAT OF FUN" in this mixed media camp. Students will help design and construct a moving exhibition celebrating art and the 4th of July! We will spend five full days tooling around with light construction, painting, designing wearable art, and papier maching our way to the best float entry our forefathers have ever seen. Then your young artists can join us to proudly prance and present our work of art in the Napa Annual 4th of July parade. **$400**

CA–7 | Ages 7–13, Monday–Thursday, June 29–July 2, 9:00am–3:00pm & Napa July 4th Parade Participation!

river camp—a river runs through it

Napa Discovery Campus

Instructors: *Nimbus Arts' Dream Boat Team of Artists*

Ramble and flow with us as we discover the art and ecosystem of the rivers of the world! We will use a mixed media approach to learning about the most important rivers in the world, and our very own backyard Napa Valley rivers and creeks. We will sculpt river topography & bridges from the Grand Canyon to the Amazon! Students will explore river habitat, flora, birds, and animals through drawing, painting river scenes and more! We will lead an inspiring "water course" of artists famous for their river paintings, leading our campers down a stream of art history! Discussions about how we can protect our community creeks and rivers will be a part of our daily activity, culminating in an educational poster campaign created and distributed to the community by Nimbus Campers! **$425**

CA–9 | Ages 6–13, Monday–Friday, July 13–17, 9:00am–3:00pm

st. helena & napa



plein air art camp

Instructors: *Inspired Nimbus Impressionists*

What could better than meandering along vineyards, parks, gardens while wandering the pastoral fields of Napa Valley to paint and sketch! "Plein Air," translated, from the French term meaning "in the open air"... was coined in the late 1800s when the Impressionists ventured out of their studios into nature to investigate and capture the effects of sunlight and lighting on a surrounding fields and farms. In this outdoorsy camp we will travel afield by foot to let nature guide us through the same journeys that inspired the likes of Monet, Pissarro and Renoir! **$225**

CA–2 | Ages 6–13, Monday–Friday, June 8–12, 9:00am–12:00pm, *Napa Riverside Studio*

CA–3 | Ages 6–13, Monday–Friday, July 13–17, 9:00am–12:00pm

farm fresh camp

Instructors: *Our whole crew of artsy ranch-hands*

Dig in and belly up for culinary arts, garden science and animal life on the farm! We will cook up some real fun experiencing our ranch-hand style of culinary arts with our dynamic professional chefs! Exploring goodies available on the farm, students will craft, plant, cook, pet and paint the nature and products of the summer's bounty. Run with the goats, buzz with bees, enjoy the perfection of pies, pasta, and create hand-made arty treats during this wholesome education in agriculture. Discussions about nutritious food choices, creating art inspired by the beauty on the farm, the fun of the natural outdoors, and good ol' fashioned camp play will be enjoyed by all! Special surprise guests will be sprinkled throughout the week, as well as armloads of tasty treats for your kitchen. **$425**

CA–6 | Ages 6–13, Monday–Friday, June 22–26, 9:00am–3:00pm | *Napa Discovery Campus*

CA–12.1 | Ages 6–13, Monday–Friday, August 3–7, 9:00am–3:00pm

CA–12.2 | Ages 6–13, Monday–Friday, August 10–14, 9:00am–3:00pm

Enjoying a Nimbus Summer...
there is so much more time to think, paint, ponder, rest, draw, dream, wander, giggle, glue, surprise, print, ponder, laugh, nip, nap, play, imagine, invent, read, craft, and CREATE!

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providing access to arts for all.
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