



Community School *of the* Arts

Welcome to Community School of the Arts 2025-2026

The Community School of the Arts provides FREE quality professional instruction in the visual and performing arts to middle- and low-income families, including those from underrepresented populations

ENROLLMENT DEADLINE: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2025*
CLASSES BEGIN: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2025

Thank you for your interest in Community School of the Arts. We are delighted that we will be opening our doors to the 33rd consecutive year of art- and music-making for young people of all ages, and we look forward to seeing you in September.

Please complete one enrollment application **per child** and one financial disclosure form **per family**. The mission of the Community School of the Arts is to offer quality arts programs free to all middle- and low-income families and to those with exceptional needs children. We do not maintain a sliding scale nor do we charge participation fees. We determine status by a simple formula: take-home pay ÷ number of people in household. Whether or not you think you qualify, please know that the specific needs of your child factor in to our assessment, so please complete and submit the simple and confidential financial disclosure form, and every effort will be made to accommodate your request.

For further assistance, please email us at info@csaknox.org or call us at (865) 523-5684 and leave a voice message.

Best wishes,

Jennifer Willard, Executive Director
Jenn Ritter, Administrative Director

**If for any reason you are not able to submit by the deadline, please contact us for an extension.*

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COMMUNITY SCHOOL OF THE ARTS
2025-2026 COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE

PERCUSSION ARTS ENSEMBLE (Grades 6 - 12)

Tuesdays, 4:30 – 6:00 PM

Instructor: Nate Barrett

Inspired by “Stomp!” this 90-minute class focuses on all aspects of percussive arts, including basic rhythm fundamentals, classifications of instruments, and ear training. Students learn to compose complex rhythms, improvise, work as an ensemble, and incorporate the rhythms of everyday life into formal compositions.

VISUAL ARTS CLASSES

OBSERVATION AND IMAGINATION I (Grades 5 - 6)

Tuesdays, 4:30 - 6:00 P.M.

Instructor: Leann Cooper

OBSERVATION AND IMAGINATION II (Grades 7 – 8)

Wednesdays, 4:30 – 6:00 P.M.

Instructor: Leann Cooper

This 90-minute class introduces students to foundational drawing techniques and watercolor painting methods. Students will explore line, shape, shading, perspective, color mixing, and brush control while creating expressive and personal artworks. Emphasis will be placed on observation skills, creativity, and craftsmanship.

MAKING IT! (Grades 9 - 10)

Thursdays, 4:30 - 6:00 P.M.

Instructor: Leann Cooper / Jennifer Willard

In this 90-minute mixed media class, students will explore the fine line between art and craft, creating many elements of art-making themselves. Projects include clay, printmaking, fiber arts, miniatures, scratch building — all to create sculptures and mixed media paintings and collages on board, canvas, and paper. All skill levels welcome.

SERIOUS ABOUT ART (BUT STILL HAVING FUN) (Grades 10 - 12)

Mondays, 4:00 - 6:00 P.M.

Instructor: Ashton Ludden

This two-hour class is best suited for those wanting to advance themselves in their artistic practice, no matter what their skill set. This class primarily focuses on 2D processes such as printmaking, drawing, bookmaking, design, and mixed media. In addition to honing formal techniques, students also explore how drawing can help you think with best practices in sketch-booking, creating individualized projects to build an art portfolio, and discuss professional practices such as properly documenting artwork or applying to an exhibition.

PRIVATE MUSIC LESSONS

MUSICAL INSTRUMENT LESSONS (Grades 2 and up)

Weekly private lessons (30 minutes to 1 hour) are offered in beginning, intermediate, and advanced levels for the following instruments. All disciplines include instruction in music theory and composition. Instruments are provided for students who do not have their own.

Piano: Ben Maney, Char Hamilton, Greg Horne

Guitar/Bass/Mandolin/Ukulele: Greg Horne

Violin: Mary Pulgar

Trumpet: Dr. Lacey Phelps

**COMMUNITY SCHOOL OF THE ARTS
2025-2026 REGISTRATION FORM**

Please fill out forms completely and return to:

Community School of the Arts

P.O. Box 1303

Knoxville, Tennessee 37901

E-mail: jritter@csaknox.org

Fax: 865-521-0228

Voicemail: 865-523-5684

ENROLLMENT DEADLINE: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2025

PLEASE FILL OUT ONE FORM FOR EACH STUDENT

Student is a: Returning Student New Student

Student Name: _____

Address: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____ Age: _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____
(month/day/year)

Were you referred by someone to CSA? If yes, who? _____

Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s): _____

Address (if different from above): _____

Cell Phone(s): _____ Ok to text? YES / NO

E-mail(s): _____

Work phone(s): _____

Please list an additional contact person in case we cannot reach you:

Name: _____ Relation: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

List any allergies and/or medical conditions, including learning disabilities, for this student. If you would feel more comfortable talking about your child's specific requirements, please do not hesitate to e-mail or leave a voicemail at the contact information above.

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Breakdown of Quarters:
Fall: September 15, 2025 - December 15, 2025
Winter: January 5, 2026 - March 6, 2026
Spring: March 16, 2026 - May 15, 2026

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

All lessons and classes are subject to availability. Consistent attendance is required throughout each quarter.

	<u>Instructor</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>
<u>MUSIC CLASS</u>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Percussion Arts Ensemble (Grades 6-12)	Nate Barrett	Tuesdays	4:30-6:00
<u>VISUAL ARTS CLASSES</u>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Observation and Imagination I (Grades 5-6)	Leann Cooper	Tuesdays	4:30-6:00
<input type="checkbox"/> Observation and Imagination II (Grades 7-8)	Leann Cooper	Wednesdays	4:30-6:00
<input type="checkbox"/> Making It! (Grades 9-10)	Leann Cooper/ Jennifer Willard	Thursdays	4:30-6:00
<input type="checkbox"/> Serious About Art (Grades 10-12)	Ashton Ludden	Mondays	4:00-6:00

PRIVATE MUSIC LESSONS

All lessons meet once weekly and are thirty minutes in length unless otherwise arranged with the instructor.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Guitar / Mandolin / Ukulele / Bass | Do you already have an instrument? YES / NO
Was it provided by CSA? YES / NO |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Piano | Do you already have an instrument? YES / NO
Was it provided by CSA? YES / NO |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trumpet | Do you already have an instrument? YES / NO
Was it provided by CSA? YES / NO |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Violin / Cello | Do you already have an instrument? YES / NO
Was it provided by CSA? YES / NO |

Student Name: _____

IMPORTANT: Circle **ALL** half-hour segments during which this student is available for lessons.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2:30-3:00	2:30-3:00	2:30-3:00	2:30-3:00	2:30-3:00
3:00-3:30	3:00-3:30	3:00-3:30	3:00-3:30	3:00-3:30
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Other availability not included above: _____

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COMMUNITY SCHOOL OF THE ARTS
2025-2026 FINANCIAL INFORMATION FORM
ALL INFORMATION ON THIS FORM WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL

Please fill out *one form per family* and return with registration forms.

Student(s): _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

1 _____ 2 _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Place(s) of Employment:

1 _____ Work #: _____

2 _____ Work #: _____

Do you receive Social Security? YES / NO Amount: \$ _____

Do you receive Social Welfare? YES / NO Amount: \$ _____

Do you receive child support? YES / NO Amount: \$ _____

Do you receive alimony? YES / NO Amount: \$ _____

Are there other members of your household who work? YES / NO

List their name(s) and places of employment (use back of this form if necessary):

Name	Place of Employment	Work Phone
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What is the TOTAL ANNUAL TAKE-HOME PAY of all work in your household? \$ _____

How many people live on this income? Adults _____ Children _____

Any additional information you would like to share that affects household finances? _____

I, the undersigned, have answered all questions as accurately and completely as possible. I understand that failure to do so may result in withdrawal of my child's enrollment.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date