

CITY OF SAVANNAH

CULTURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

SUMMER ARTS CAMP



2023 Parents' Guide

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Camp Registration and Fees

This year's Summer Arts Camp will be offered for six weeks, starting June 5th. Early registration for Summer Arts Camp begins April 3 for Savannah residents. Those who do not live within the city limits of Savannah may register for available slots on a first-come, first-served basis beginning May 22. All campers must be registered by their legal parent or guardian.

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| <u>Week 1 June 5-9</u> | |
| Blind and Visually Impaired Art Camp | Rising 1st-8th Graders |
| Teen: Metals & Jewelry | Rising 7th-12th Graders |
| High School: Creative Writing & Performance | Rising 9th-12th Graders |
| <u>Week 2 June 12-16</u> | |
| 1st -6th Grade: Visual & Performing Arts | Rising 1st-6th Graders |
| <u>Week 3 June 20-23</u> | |
| Teen Camps: Metals & Jewelry, Visual Arts | Rising 7th-12th Graders |
| High School Camps: Theater Experience, Music | Rising 9th-12th Graders |
| <u>Week 4 June 26-30</u> | |
| 1st -6th Grade: Visual & Performing Arts | Rising 1st-6th Graders |
| <u>Week 5 July 5-7</u> | |
| Teen Camps: Portfolio Development, Metals | Rising 7th-12th Graders |
| High School: Comedic Acting, Dance Composition | Rising 9th-12th Graders |
| <u>Week 6 July 10-14</u> | |
| 1st -6th Grade: Visual & Performing Arts | Rising 1st-6th Graders |
| Visit savannahga.gov/artcamp for descriptions and pricing | |
| Weeks 2, 4, and 6 are Full Day Camps and run from 9:00am – 3:00pm | |
| Per Session Fee: \$100/City of Savannah Residents - \$150/Non-City Residents | |
| Weeks 1, 3, 5 are half and partial day camps with weeks 3 and 5 running 4 and 3 days, respectively. | |

***Camp Fees must be paid by 12:00 noon the Friday prior to the week of camp.** Reduced Fees are available for eligible children. Complete the Reduced Fee Program Application for consideration. **NO CASH is accepted.** Checks and credit cards are accepted. Make checks and/or money orders payable to: City of Savannah. Please notify the SCAC Camp Staff if he/she will not be able to attend. **Full refunds will be given only when a child has not participated in any days of the camp session.** Partial participation will not result in a refund.

Bring Your Own Lunch: Campers must bring their own lunch each day. The outside of lunch containers should have the child's name clearly marked. Lunch and snacks should be packaged in containers that the child can easily open. Do not send food that spoils easily, and nuts are not allowed in Camp under any circumstances.

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Camper Clothing/Attire

Campers should wear comfortable clothing suitable for arts activities, both indoors and outdoors. Only shoes and garments that CAN be damaged by paint, dust, grass, etc. should be worn. Athletic shoes/sneakers or other heel and toe-in, soft/rubber sole shoes are permitted. Sandals, flip-flops, slides and other open toe/heel shoes are NOT permitted. Campers should also avoid wearing jewelry.

Camper Belongings: Campers may bring ONE small bag/backpack with lunch, sunscreen and travel-size hand sanitizer. All objects must be labeled with the Camper's name. Campers may NOT bring personal toys, games or other objects of value. The City of Savannah will not be responsible for lost, damaged or stolen belongings.

Drop Off/Pick Up: Campers may be dropped off between 8:00am and 9:00am for even camp weeks (2, 4, 6) for rising 1st-6th graders and 30 minutes prior to start of camp for weeks 1, 3, and 5. Camp staff will ask for your Camper's name and ensure the child is checked in each day. Students arriving after camp begins must enter camp through the main entrance of the building located on Montgomery Street.

All campers must be picked-up from Camp by 4:00p.m. on even camp weeks (2, 4, 6) and 30 minutes after end of camp for weeks 1, 3, 5. Late pick-up will result in additional charges of \$.50 per minute. Once a child is signed into camp, the child cannot leave without an authorized adult signing him/her out of camp.

Face Coverings: Face coverings are not required in City of Savannah buildings. City Staff and Campers may wear face coverings that shield the nose and mouth at their own discretion. Face coverings should be comfortable for the Camper and allow unrestricted breathing.

Health Etiquette: Camp Staff will instruct and reinforce the importance of Campers covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue, and washing/sanitizing their hands.

Emergency Contact Information: Parents MUST provide current, working phone numbers where the parent or other emergency contact can be reached in the event of an emergency.

Who to Contact When You Have Questions

The Cultural Resources Administrative Office phone number is: 912-651-6783.

Isolation Area for Sick Campers: Campers who are sick or recently had a close contact with a person with COVID-19 should stay home, monitor their health, and contact their physician as necessary for further guidance. For children who have entered camp, Parents/Emergency Contacts will be notified immediately when a Camper is exhibiting COVID-like symptoms. The Camper will be placed in a separate room where Camp staff will monitor the Camper until the Parent/Emergency Contact arrives. All children who exhibit COVID symptoms must be picked-up immediately after notification.

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- **Returning to Camp after Sickness/Exhibiting COVID-like Symptoms:** Campers will not be permitted to return to Camp until the Camper has taken a COVID-19 test and received a negative test result and is fever/symptom-free for 72 hours.
- **Parent Responsibility to Inform Camp Staff of Campers Testing Positive for COVID-19:** For the safety of all Campers and Staff, parents MUST notify Camp Staff of any Camper testing positive for COVID-19. Notification is REQUIRED so that Camp Staff can implement additional safeguards, including notifying Parents of Campers who may have been in close contact with the Camper who tested positive. **If a Camper tests positive, Parents should expect the Camp site to close for one or more days to allow staff to clean and sanitize the facility.**

Failure to notify Camp Staff of children who test positive for COVID-19 or providing misleading/dishonest information about the child's symptoms or exposure to other individuals with COVID-19, will result in removal from Summer Camp for the rest of the term.

- **Hold Harmless Waiver Acknowledging Risk of Contracting COVID-19:** All parents must sign a waiver: 1) acknowledging the increased risks/dangers of possible exposure to COVID-19 to their child from his/her participation in Summer Camp; 2) accepting full responsibility for these risks; and 3) holding the City and its representatives harmless. For information on COVID-19 risks and increased risks to vulnerable populations, please visit the website of the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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Discipline Policy and Guidelines

CHARACTER CODE FOR CHILDREN AND PARENTS

- I will show respect by treating other children and adults the way I would want to be treated.
- I will be honest, will always tell the truth, and will be a friend that others can trust.
- I will demonstrate caring by helping others and treating them kindly.
- I will take responsibility for my own behavior and accept the consequences for my actions.

CHILDREN'S RIGHTS

- To be free from cruel teasing and insults.
- Have a safe, calm, clean and orderly environment.
- Make mistakes without being ridiculed by others.
- Seek help from adults who are there to help.
- Be treated with dignity and respect by everyone.

CHILDREN AND PARENTS RESPONSIBILITY

- Avoid fights or verbal abuse of other children.
- Be fair and accepting of others eager to join any activity.
- Work and play safely.
- Use appropriate, acceptable language.
- Be kind, considerate, helpful, and respectful toward others.
- Share equipment and materials fairly and use them properly.
- Respect property, especially things that do not belong to me.
- Cooperate with others and with adults who are here to help.
- Speak out when witnessing unfairness or offensive language or behavior of others.
- Be a good sport whether I win or lose.
- Be truthful with everyone.

CONSEQUENCES

The following outlines the progressive disciplinary procedure, however the City reserves the right to immediately suspend campers from participating in camp for egregious behavior.

- **1st Offense-** Center staff, activity leader, and participant will discuss behavior. Parent will be notified via phone or at pick-up.
- **2nd Offense-** Center staff, activity leader, and participant will discuss behavior. Parents will be required to meet with the Camp Director before the child can return to the program.
- **3rd Offense-** Parent/guardian will be notified and participant will be suspended for a minimum of one day. Refunds will not be given.
- **4th Offense-** Depending on the nature of the incident, participant may be suspended for the remainder of the Summer Program. No refunds will be given.