

2019-2020 4TH QUARTER COURSE CATALOG

Art

K-2nd, 2nd-5th

Community School is offering three general art classes this quarter with the aim of introducing students to a variety of artist materials and techniques, cultivating creativity and fostering an appreciation of art. The Wednesday and Thursday art classes are taught by instructor **Andrew Tegarden**, a PhD student in Art and Visual Culture Education at U of A. The Monday art class is taught by instructor **Geraldine Young**. For more on Ms. Gerrie, see Ceramics.



Capoeira

K-5th

Capoeira, pronounced kah-poh-AIR-uh, is a Brazilian martial art created by African slaves in the 1500s. To be able to practice openly, they disguised the fighting elements with dance, music and acrobatics. Today capoeira is the national sport of Brazil. Students will learn basic techniques while improving body strength, flexibility, and coordination. This course is taught by Contramestra **Davia Moore** from Movement Culture (movementaz.org). Davia began practicing capoeira at the age of 15, and has since immersed herself in Brazilian martial arts. She is the second female African-American Contramestra in the United States.

Ceramics

1st-5th

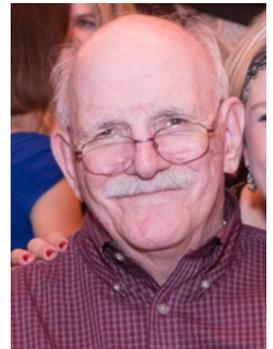
The school has a new state-of-the-art kiln. This class aims to make good use of it. Instructor **Geraldine Young** holds a masters degree in art education and has advanced training in sculpture and printmaking. She has taught art in both Texas and Arizona and currently teaches ceramics for Tucson Parks and Rec, the Tucson Clay Co-op and the JCC. Ms. Gerrie is excited to explore all the possibilities our new kiln and equipment have to offer.



Chess

1st-5th

The man, the myth, the legend - Mr. T has been teaching at Sam Hughes for 51 years. Perennially popular with students, he deconstructs chess to make it accessible to everyone. Which way does that knight move? How best to protect your queen? Mr. T will reveal it all. Studies have shown that youth who learn chess at an early age build complex reasoning and problem-solving skills.



Choir

K-2nd

This choir is for students in grades K through 2nd (as opposed to Ms. Gascho's morning choir for 3rd to 5th graders). Students will warm up their voices with fun music-related games, encouraging them to express themselves through music. They will then learn a variety of songs, vocal techniques, styles of singing and even elements of music theory. Instructor **Olivia Bustos** is studying music education at U of A. She recently served as vocal director for a production of "Frozen Jr."



Cooking

3rd-5th

Learn from the pros. This cooking class will be team-taught by executive chef **Elizabeth Mikesell**, who has been a chef instructor at Pima Community College for nearly two decades, and **Janet Taylor**, author of three cookbooks on southwestern cuisine. Mikesell and Taylor are returning to Sam Hughes; they previously taught this very popular cooking class for six years.



Drama

K-5th

From Drama Kids International: Enthusiastic students who learn to speak out clearly and relate confidently with others will have an inside track to lifetime success. Drama Kids develops all kids. We're a place where all children, from the shy to the outgoing can develop at their own pace. Our specialty is using unique drama activities to focus the bold child and to draw out the quiet child and help them reach into themselves to discover their full potential. At Drama Kids International of Tucson, we use a progressive curriculum that allows students to have some serious fun, while also enabling them to develop acting, public speaking, creative thinking, leadership, team building, networking and social skills, spontaneity, self-confidence and a positive approach to life.

Folklórico

K-5th

Folklórico is Mexican folk dancing. Students will practice and perform a folklórico dance routine, while also learning the stories behind the dancing. Expanded to run two days a week, this class will also work on costume design and, as time allows, mariachi singing. Instructor **Carmen Rocha** has been teaching folklórico at Second Street Children's School for the past four years.



Lego Mania

K-5th

This popular class lets you go wild with all the Legos you can imagine. The only limits here are your imagination and the hour time limit. A stately mansion, a retro spaceship, a headquarters for your superheroes, a paddock for your ponies - what will your Lego creation be? Instructor **Geraldine Young** has brought new life and imagination to this class, offering a theme for each week, from Harry Potter Lego creations to explorations of flexible Legos.

Magic

2nd-5th

This class will teach the fundamentals of magic with a focus on cards, coins, and other close-up slights and illusions. Students will develop dexterity, communication skills, confidence speaking in front of an audience and an understanding of the psychology of performing. Instructor **C. Topher Younggren** (a.k.a. Mr. Awesome) has more than 30 years experience performing for special events from Los Angeles to New York City. "Magic is an amazing way to connect with people of all ages and backgrounds," says Mr. Awesome. "It truly is the universal language and a skill that children may carry through a lifetime."



Musical Theatre

2nd-5th

This exciting new class teaches students what goes into a musical production, while giving them the opportunity to be in their own mini performance! Students will have the opportunity to learn fun theatre games and warmups, and create props and other production pieces, all while preparing for a performance of a scene inspired by "Frozen" at the end of the quarter. Instructor **Olivia Bustos** is studying music education at U of A.

Panda Club

2nd-5th



Back by popular demand, Panda Club will explore the language and culture of China through arts and crafts, songs, traditional food and the celebration of Chinese holidays with food and games. This class aims to help students grow in love for the culture of China. Instructor **Shoumei Fu** is a

Chinese language interpreter for TUSD. She previously taught Panda Club at Sam Hughes for five years.

Robotics Jr.

2nd

Due to the high demand for an additional robotics course, we have expanded to offer a class specifically for our 2nd grade students. This class will explore the basics of programming and robotics, with students learning about algorithms, conditionals, loops, and debugging.

Instructor **Jacqueline Gilbert** is a first grade teacher at Sam Hughes and completed STEMazing robotics training in preparation for this class.



Spanish

K-1st, K-2nd, 2nd-5th

Learn conversational Spanish through songs, stories and games. Open doors to new peoples and cultures with your newfound language skills. Students in this class will learn common vocabulary, basic grammar and useful phrases. K-2nd instructor **Sra. Perla Aviles** is a

native Spanish speaker and is the leader of Girl Scout Troop 51 based at Sam Hughes. She holds a master's in counseling and works as a family therapist. 2nd-5th grade instructor **Sra. Carmen Jimenez** is a native Spanish speaker, a reading tutor at Sam Hughes, and holds a master's degree in language, reading and culture. She previously taught bilingual kindergarten in Phoenix.



Yoga

K-3rd

Learn monkey pose, cat pose, bridge pose, child's pose, downward-facing dog and the many other poses that form the basis of the ancient practice of yoga. Students will develop flexibility, strength and mindfulness while having fun! Instructor **Kendall Colell** is a certified yoga teacher, having completed 200 hours of training. She is studying at U of A to become an elementary school teacher.

