

Art camps return for summer at Kelowna Art Gallery

June 13, 2019 – Kelowna, BC: It's summer break from school and the kids are already getting restless. You still have work to go to... so what to do? Don't worry, the Kelowna Art Gallery has you covered.

Registration is underway for the Gallery's popular summer art camps for children and youth. *Art Adventures* camps are organized for children ages 3 to 12. Full-day camps, half-day camps, and partial-morning pre-school camps are scheduled Monday through Friday, beginning July 3 until August 23, 2019.

During the camps, children can expect to explore drawing, painting, printmaking, mixed media, and sculpture, while being inspired by the current exhibitions on view at the Gallery. Leading the art camps and excursions to artists' studios, Kasugai Gardens, Waterfront Park, the beach, and to see public art throughout the Cultural District this year are two local university students.

Abigail Wiens is a current student at UBC Okanagan majoring in Psychology and minoring in Visual Art. "I am so happy to be working with the Kelowna Art Gallery this summer to bring the wonder of art to kids of all ages. I look forward to developing the natural creativity of our young artists and teaching them a variety of media and techniques during the many Art Adventure Camps we will be hosting this summer."

Haley Seven Deers is currently a student in the Bachelor of Art program at UBC Okanagan with a focus on visual anthropology and history. "I am extremely delighted to be working together with Abby as one of the Art Adventures Supervisors this summer and looking forward to sharing many fun activities and learning experiences with the young artists."

Class sizes for all the Gallery's camps are limited, which allows for more one-on-one instruction and enriches the experience for all participants.

"The way we approach our camps is to focus on creating a fun and interactive experience for engaging children and youth with art," says Laura Wyllie, who heads up the Gallery's education programs. "We know a lot of the kids will be tired of classrooms by summer, so we make sure to take the kids out on fun and exciting off-site trips to encourage their curiosity and imaginations."

The cost for a week of Preschool Camps (daily: 9 am-11 am) is \$100.00, or \$90.00 for members of the Kelowna Art Gallery; a week of Half-Day Camps (9 am-12 pm) is \$120.00, or \$110.00 for members; and a week of Day Camps (9 am-3 pm) is \$170.00, or \$160.00 for members.

For more information, or to register a child or youth, please contact the Gallery at 250-762-2226. Additional camp information including weekly themes can be viewed online at www.kelownaartgallery.com.

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