

New Britain Museum of American Art Delivers Art to Communities

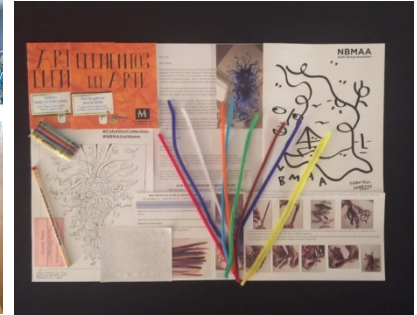
Creative Caring Art Kits and supplies to thousands of area students; Free art camp for all; Accessible sustainable art projects online

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(June 22, 2020) New Britain, CT – The Education team at the New Britain Museum of American Art has been working tirelessly during shutdown to design and execute free resources for adult and student learners around the block and across the globe. All NBMAA educational resources can be accessed at nbmaa.org/ and nbmaa.org/art-activities. The accessibility to art projects, instruction, and supplies was top of mind when the Museum designed programs such as Creative Caring Kits, Recyclable Weaving Project, and the Virtual Summer Art Camp: Mini Art Adventures.

Creative Caring Kits

To help students stay creative at home and during the summer, NBMAA is sending art supplies home with 2,500 local families. The *Creative Caring Kit* is an individual, hands-on art-making kit for students. In each kit students will find: instructions and supplies to make their very own sculpture inspired by Dale Chihuly's *Blue and Beyond*; Family Passes to visit the Museum when it re-opens; a coloring page featuring a beloved NBMAA masterwork; NBMAA pencil and postcard; stickers; and a Children's Guide to the Collection in Spanish and English.



Special thanks to Maura O'Shea and to the Art Truck. With generous support from individuals and organizations, NBMAA can continue to expand this very important outreach over the summer and into the future.

Virtual Summer Art Camp – Mini Art Adventures

Mini Art Adventures offers 30- to 40-minute live Zoom classes with Museum Educators Stephanie Strucaly, Margaret Freedman, and special guests. Each session will include: reading a book or poem; looking at an artwork; watching an art lesson demonstration; a sing along, puppet show; and movement/dance. All sessions are FREE and open to all, but registration is required here: <https://nbmaa.org/art-adventures>.

Here is the schedule:

Wednesdays at 10-11 a.m.

Week One | July 6-10 - Where Art Meets S.T.E.M. – Creating Color

Week Two | July 13-17 - Messy Art

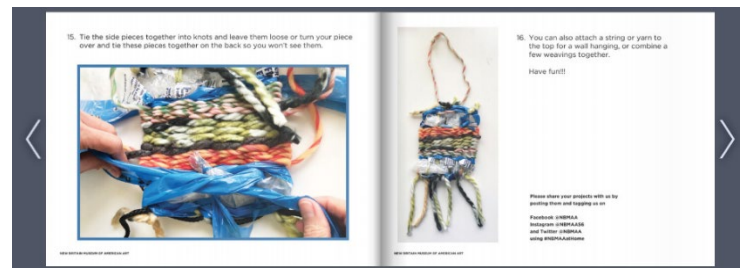
Week Three | July 20-24 - Magic & Myth

Week Four | July 27-31 - Awesome Animals

Week Five | Aug 3-7 - On the Earth & in the Sky

Recyclable Weaving: A Sustainable Project for Everyone

Inspired by the work of [Anni Albers](#), this sustainable art project is inclusive and accessible to all. Using cardboard to create a miniature loom, anyone can create patterned weavings with recycled materials readily found around the home. Get weaving and please share your projects with us by posting and tagging us on Facebook @NBMAA, Instagram @NBMAA56 and by using #NBMAAatHome. Link: <https://nbmaa.org/art-activities>



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