

October Half Term Programme 2024

MONDAY 28TH OCT - SUNDAY 3RD NOV

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The
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NOW OFFERING
7 HOUR DAY COURSES!

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MONDAY 28th

All courses are drop off

Art



Kusama's Beautiful Birds

Monday 28/10/2024, 09.30 – 11.30, 3-5 yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £24

Looking at the work of Yayoi Kusama, who we usually know for her pumpkin work, we will look at the birds she has painted. We'll look at her beautiful work on endangered falcons – we'll paint and collage our own, with lots of dots of course!



Lions and Tigers and Bears, Oh My!

Monday 28/10/2024, 12.30 – 14.30, 3-5 yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £24

Leopards, Sumatran Tigers, and Lynx are all endangered species of big cat. We will look at the different patterning of these big cats and how their coats help them to be camouflaged in their environment. How many patterns can you find in the spots and stripes?

Giant Lizards!

Monday 28/10/2024, 15.00 – 17.00, 4-7 yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £24

Have you ever seen a Komodo Dragon? They are giant lizards, and they look a bit like the last remaining dinosaur! We will look at the similarities and differences between this fascinating creature and the dinosaurs that came before it, using rubbings, clay and different textures to make our own.



Creative Collage with Orangutans

Monday 28/10/2024, 09.30 – 16.30, 5-11 yrs

Tutor: Nicola Corrigan, £76

Orangutans live in rainforests in Borneo and Sumatra, full of tall lush green trees and plants. They love eating fruits like mangoes and figs, as well as nuts, leaves, and small insects! In this fun all-day art class you will create a beautiful rainforest collage inspired by world-famous artists, make a habitat diorama that is perfect for an orangutan, along with so much more. You'll even design and paint a Save The Orangutan poster and tote bag - sadly these magnificent great apes are at risk of extinction due to deforestation, which destroys their forest home and food. Come along and join us for a day of creativity and fun to celebrate these wonderful creatures!



Music

Get Going on the Guitar!

Monday 28/10/2024, 13.30 - 15.30, 6-10 yrs

Tutors: Marek Tymkow & Dimitrios Ntontis, £24

Are you a keen young musician who loves the guitar? Come and join us for this fun half-day course where you will learn all about this wonderful instrument while learning and playing some songs. Explore the instrument and express yourself under the guidance of our enthusiastic tutors. We welcome young guitarists of minimal experience all the way up to grade 3 level. Guitars can be borrowed for the session free of charge, and there will be a short sharing at the end of the workshop.



Uke & You!

Monday 28/10/2024, 10.30 - 12.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Aram Bahmaie, £24

Have you ever picked up a ukulele? Come to the Conservatoire to get started on the right note! Join us on this fun-filled introduction to the instrument, perfect for young musicians who are just starting their musical journey. In this two-hour course you will learn to play your first song and have fun making music with others. Young participants will learn the basics of this beginner-friendly instrument, under the guidance of our fantastic tutors. All levels are welcome! You can bring your own instrument or borrow one of ours for the session. Come along to find out what's in store for uke and you!



Roundabout

Roundabout: Half Term Taster

Monday 28/10/2024 & Tuesday
29/10/2024, 10.00 - 12.30 both days,
4.5-7yrs

Tutors: Roundabout Lead Phil Entwistle
& Roundabout Tutors, £72

Roundabout has been running at the Conservatoire for over 30 years! Since 1992 we have been introducing children aged 5-7 to music through this exciting, informative and inclusive year-long course. Are you thinking of signing up? Perhaps you are already on the waiting list? Well then, this two-day taster is perfect for you!

Join us for two mornings in half term to explore all of the many instruments that learners get to explore in their year of Roundabout; strings, flute, piano, brass, percussion and guitar. You'll get time with each instrument, and even try playing in an orchestra. Join us and join the fun!



TUESDAY 29th

Art



Making Mountain Creatures

Tuesday 29/10/2024, 09.30 – 11.30, 3-5 yrs
Tuesday 29/10/2024, 12.30 – 14.30, 4-7 yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £24

Mountain Gorillas and Orangutans are endangered due to the destruction of their homes. How can we make our own mountains for them to live on? We'll use different layers to create a painting with a mountainous effect using different papers, and make our own primates to live on them.



Paper Rhinos

Tuesday 29/10/2024, 15.00 – 17.00, 4-7 yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £24

All kinds of artists have long been fascinated by the magnificent Rhino, but the Black Rhino is now an endangered species. We will look at how artists have portrayed these enormous animals in their work, and we'll make our own paper rhinos to take home.

Art



Teen Clay Club

Tuesday 29/10/2024, 13.00 – 17.00, 12-15 yrs

Tutor: Ellie Osborne, £51

Join us for Clay Club! Suitable for both beginners to clay and those who want to develop their skills. In this half day workshop you will be free to create your own ceramic ideas under the guidance of an experienced ceramic tutor. Students will create one or two pieces using pinch pots and coiling, decorating with texture and coloured slips. Pieces will then be glazed and fired and ready to collect in a month's time.

Music

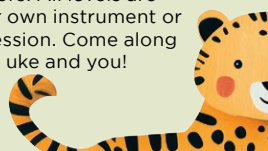


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Wonderful Woodwind!

Tuesday 29/10/2024, 10.30 – 12.30, 7-15yrs,
Grades 1 - 5

Tutor: Victoria Heath, £24

This is an opportunity to play your woodwind instrument in a fun and relaxed group setting. Delve into the sounds of your instrument, including different tones and extended techniques. We will be playing some well known tunes and also creating one of our own pieces during this exciting workshop. We will also incorporate games and exercises into the session to practice collaboration and group exploration. Please bring along your instrument(s) and let us know instrument and standard ahead of time. This course is open to woodwind players between grades 1 and 5.

WEDNESDAY 30th

Art



Fur, Feathers, and Fins

Wednesday 30/10/2024, 09.30 – 11.30, 3-5 yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £24

Wow, animals can have so many different colours and textures! Some have fur, some have feathers, and some have fins. We will explore these textures together - how fluffy is a barn owl? How slippery is a seal? We'll use rubbings and printing to discover more.



Has Anyone Seen My Monkey?

Wednesday 30/10/2024, 12.30 – 14.30, 3-5 yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £24

In this fun workshop we'll be referencing the book 'Monkey Puzzle' by local artist and author Axel Schiffer. We will make some hanging monkeys and babies to hang from them and we'll decorate them individually. Where will you put your monkey?



Finding Nemo's Coral Reef

Wednesday 30/10/2024, 15.00 – 17.00, 4-7 yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £24

Coral reefs are beautiful, but we need to protect them - Nemo lives there and we must make sure he has a home! Together we will make some of our own gloriously coloured coral reefs, and even make Nemo and his friends to go in it! We'll be using clay and collage to create our scenes.



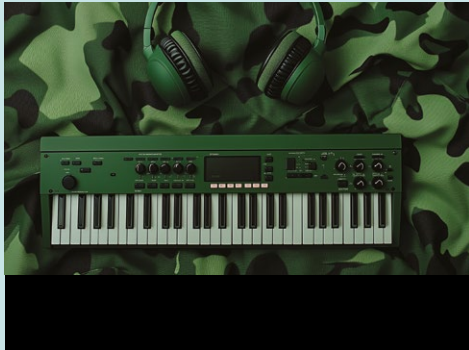
Rhinos on the Streets

Wednesday 30/10/2024, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11 yrs

Tutor: Lilly Walker, £76

Rhinos are some of our most majestic, yet endangered species. They've also been famously depicted by wonderful artists as eclectic as Durer, Dali and, most recently, Banksy, not far from here in Charlton. In this class, we will craft and decorate our own colourful clay rhino and create 3D street art with a painted plaster cast rhino emerging from their background.

Music



Beatmaking and Songwriting

Wednesday 30/10/2023, 10.00 - 17.00, 8-12 yrs

Tutors: Annalise Morley & Joseph Thomas, £76

Together we will create a beat from scratch, experimenting with different instruments, and sounds from one computer and a midi keyboard. We will create our own rap/song lyrics as a team and even record your vocals together in our pop-up music studio! Watch your idea grow into a finished song. Bring any instruments you play, and we may incorporate them. Our goal is to complete one finished track and upload it to YouTube to amaze your friends and family. No prior musical knowledge needed, just come and find out how creative you can be!

Drama



Play in a Day! The Jungle Book

Wednesday 30/10/2023, 10.00 - 17.00, 7-11 yrs

Tutor: Joanna Brown, £76

Come and join Jo for a full day of drama, exploration and creation, culminating in a short performance based on The Jungle Book.

Jo is a professional actor/musician and has spent her career portraying many magical animals...owls, chickens, monkeys, fish, pigs, wolves... to name but a few! In this workshop we will explore how to transform our bodies into creatures of the jungle, play with our voices to aid our narrative, create scenes to perform and design some basic props to use for performance. All are welcome at the end of the day to watch our wonderful creation!

Please note that this course takes place offsite at Quaker Halls, Blackheath.





Peter AND THE WOLF

Concert

Saturday 2 November, 2pm, 3pm or 4pm

Adults - £9, children £7, under 2s free.

Join us for Prokofiev's symphonic tale for children, *Peter and the Wolf*, performed by a woodwind quintet, including some of our wonderful tutors. This 30-minute event will include a 15 minute performance and 15 minutes of musical games and discussion, including introductions of the instruments and animals. We look forward to seeing you at this fantastic introduction to classical music.

Bookings at www.conservatoire.org.uk/events



THURSDAY 31st

Art



Bonkers Bats & Silly Spiders

Thursday 31/10/2024, 09.30 - 11.30, 3-5 yrs
Thursday 31/10/2024, 12.30 - 14.30, 4-7 yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £24

It's Halloween, so it's time to celebrate all of the spooky animals out there! We'll make a Halloween hanging to decorate our walls, or to put on your door for Trick-or-Treaters, and we'll use painting, printing and threading to make some suitably creepy crawlies and creatures.



Rainforest Greens

Thursday 31/10/2024, 15.00 - 17.00, 4-7 yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £24

The rainforests are under threat, and where will the animals live? We'll make beautiful rainforest scenes together using all kinds of art mediums, making sure that all of the different animals have somewhere glorious and green to go. Which animals will be hiding in your rainforest picture?

Digital

Become A Podcaster

Thursday 31/10/2024, 10.00 - 17.00, 8-14yrs

Tutors: Annalise Morley & Joseph Thomas, £76

Ever wondered how your favourite podcast is recorded or wanted to create a podcast yourself? Come along and learn all about this new and popular art form and create your very own podcast in a day! Bring your best stories and jokes to entertain our listeners when they check out the finished podcast on YouTube.



Become an Explorer & Natural History Illustrator

Thursday 31/10/2024, 09.30 - 16.30, 6-12yrs

Tutor: Fiona Berry, £76

Looking at all the endangered animals in the world, we will draw and watercolour a journal embodying the role of a jungle explorer, basing our work on real explorer's sketches and studies. What mysterious and exotic creatures have you spotted and how can we draw and annotate our journals to share with people back in London? Create samples of things you find to add to your evidence.

Make a poster for your bedroom with your drawings showing the detail and character of your favourite endangered animals warning others what they need to survive and what we should do to protect them. Colour them with vibrancy and zoom in on details of their most special features. A day full of creativity and learning!

Dance



Dance Day: Welcome to the Jungle

Thursday 31/10/2024, 10.00 - 17.00, 7-12yrs

Tutor: Stephanie Osztreicher, £76

Do you love to dance? Then this workshop is for you! We will explore physical theatre techniques and many forms of dance to create our very own short performance. You will learn skills to help you choreograph your own brilliant dances, learn techniques from different styles and create an individual dance to show your family and friends. Join us for a day of dance!

Please note that this course takes place offsite at Quaker Halls, Blackheath.

FRIDAY 1st

Art

Where Are the Whales?

Friday 01/11/2024, 09.30 - 11.30, 3-5 yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £24

Where do the whales live? Under the water! Together we will explore the big blue landscape that sea creatures live in, discovering the worlds of blue whales and porpoises. How many shades of blue can you make?



Minibeasts

Friday 01/11/2024 12.30 - 14.30, 3-5 yrs & 15.00 - 17.00, 4-7 yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £24

Insects are very important to the planet! We need to protect them - let's make our own insects to add some more to the world! We will make some minibeasts using collage and painting, and create some foliage for them to hide in... which bugs will you bring to life?

Story Explorers: Kensuke's Kingdom

Friday 01/11/2024, 09.30 - 16.30, 7-11 yrs

Tutor: Clare Kendall, £76

In this workshop we will be taking inspiration from the children's novel by Michael Morpurgo. This wonderful story follows 11 year old Michael - shipwrecked, alone in the Pacific Ocean, he is washed ashore onto a deserted island, but is it really deserted?

Exploring themes of survival, nature and unlikely friendships - and using artistic techniques such as dip pen and ink, wax resist, paper aging and collage - we'll create a pictorial journal of our time in Kensuke's Kingdom. During this workshop we will read some of the book itself as well as explore our artistic depictions of it.

Music



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SUNDAY 3rd

Music

The Teen Piano Workshop (Grades 5+)

Sunday 03/11/2024, 14.30 - 17.00, 11-17 yrs

Tutors: Phillip Leslie, £24

Do you love to play the piano? Then this course might be perfect for you! This 2.5 hour long workshop is a great opportunity for students to play in an informal setting and receive some feedback from our expert tutor. Perhaps you are preparing for an exam or a competition? Come along to try out your pieces on others! This course is designed for those who are at an intermediate or an advanced level on the piano, approximately grade 5 and above. Gather some feedback and increase your confidence! Participants should bring a maximum of two pieces per student. Please feel free to bring pieces that aren't necessarily fully learnt e.g. one or two pages.



ADULT COURSES

Art

Dynamic Life Drawing

Tuesday 29/10/2024, 18.00 – 21.00, 18+ yrs

Tutor: Jonathan Huxley, £38

Draw, erase, repeat! Join this one-off evening life drawing class to gain a deeper understanding of the figure through challenging observational life drawing techniques. Some life drawing experience is beneficial but this class is open to all levels including beginners. You'll study and draw a model a number of times throughout the evening with different challenges attached to each drawing... and you'll be erasing them as you go! You will end the evening creating your final piece, with the option of using charcoal as well as pencil, using the shadows of erased marks to enrich your final study.

Visiting tutor Jonathan Huxley is a contemporary artist and artist educator at the Royal Academy of Arts, and we are delighted to be working with him in this holiday programme.

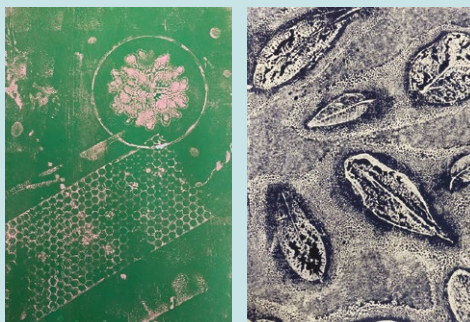


Sculpting Portraits in Clay

Wednesday 30/10/2024, 18.00 – 21.00, 18+ yrs

Tutor: Dot Young, £38

Come along to the Conservatoire for an evening of sculpting with clay, all levels welcome. Working from given reference images, on an armature and in clay, this portrait sculpture masterclass will offer an introduction to various techniques and interpretation skills. You could learn to sculpt the face of a loved one, or even turn your hand to a self portrait! With your tutor's guidance you will look at the structure and anatomy of the head, basic blocking out and then explore key elements of portrait sculpture skills.



Textural Printmaking & Collography

Thursday 31/10/2024, 18.00 – 21.00, 18+ yrs

Tutor: Catherine Walker, £38

Learn several alternative methods including monoprinting, collographs and even drypoint with found objects such as milk cartons, to create a textural print, exploring how shape and space affect composition. Using natural materials, you will have the opportunity to create unusual and exciting prints reflecting textural surfaces. Creating prints in this way provides insight into how the formal elements can manipulate narrative and impact the mood of your artworks.



Drink & Draw!

Friday 01/11/2024, 18.00 – 21.00, 18+yrs

Tutors: Sue Harris & Lilly Walker, £25

Come along to the Conservatoire Drink & Draw workshop to let your hair down, learn some new skills, and make friends. Led by two of our expert art tutors, you'll spend a fun Friday evening mixing prosecco with paint as you tackle your very own A3 canvas! You'll come away with a wonderful piece of painted work, no matter your prior experience – beginners are welcome.

Both alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks will be provided, if you have any allergies please share them with us at the point of booking, thank you.

Music



The Big Piano Workshop (Grades 3+)

Monday 28/10/2024, 18.30 – 21.00, 18+yrs

Tutor: Phillip Leslie, £24

Do you love to play the piano? Then this course might be perfect for you! This 2.5 hour long workshop is a great opportunity for students to play in an informal setting and receive some feedback from our expert tutor. Perhaps you are preparing for an exam or a competition, or part of our regular Music Club? Come along to try out your pieces on others! This course is designed for those at grade 3 standard or above on the piano. Gather some feedback and increase your confidence! Participants should bring a maximum of two pieces per student. Please feel free to bring pieces that aren't necessarily fully learnt e.g. one or two pages.

So that we can ensure our holiday courses are viable, we are unfortunately not able to offer refunds. Holiday courses are also not transferable between people.

Holiday Opening Times

Monday – Friday	9am – 9pm
Saturday	9am – 6pm
Sunday	9.30am – 5pm



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