

CRAFT ARTS – VISUAL ARTS – FOLK ARTS

MR. OLLIE FEATURES
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EVENT INFORMATION

Tim Oliphant, or Mr. Ollie as the kids call him, has been a professional cartoonist since 1983. He has done daily comic strips, self-syndicated editorial cartoons to papers throughout Tennessee, freelance humorous illustrations for advertising agencies and magazines, caricatures, greeting cards and magazine cartooning. He began doing artist residencies in 1987 for the Tennessee Arts Commission and continues to do so, teaching art and cartooning to students K-12. He is on the artist rosters in Tennessee, Georgia, Arkansas, Alabama, Mississippi, and Kentucky. Mr. Ollie is also an active member in the National Cartoonist Society and is winner of the School Bell Award from the Tennessee Education Association.

CARTOONING WITH MR. OLLIE

This program is to encourage children to be creative and imaginative, not only in drawing humorous illustrations but to think as well. The students create their own cartoons – this is not drawing already famous characters. Students and teachers are shown how to make characters by using shapes in a step by step fashion.

CONTACT: Tim Oliphant
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$200.00 per day (travel expenses not included – negotiable for multiple shows)
EVENT DATE: September 2007 – May 2008
EVENT TIMES: During School hours
EVENT LOCATION: School classrooms
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Kindergarten – 12th Grade
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 45 – 50 minutes depending on grade level

HUMOR & CREATIVE WRITING WITH MR. OLLIE

This program shows and explains how cartoonists come up with ideas for cartoons that you'd see in magazines and/or the comic pages. Discussions on how you can come up with humorous ideas by observation of every day life and putting this down on paper. This program is not only good for art classes, but English classes and writing classes as well.

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APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: 5th Grade – 8th Grade
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 45 – 50 minutes depending on grade level

EDITORIAL CARTOONING WITH MR. OLLIE

This program is better suited as a lecture class using an overhead projector with samples of editorial cartoons. This program does not promote any certain political stands; it shows how cartoonists come up with the ideas for editorial cartoons by using symbols, icons, and observation.

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LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 45 – 50 minutes depending on grade level

HUMOROUS ILLUSTRATION WITH MR. OLLIE

The program is mostly for high school students and it goes into more detail with the art of cartooning and humorous illustration.

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ARTIST INFORMATION

The Renaissance Center offers a variety of educational, fun and entertaining field trip activities during the summer months. Art and music activities, as well as live theatre, science theatre and planetarium and laser music shows in the CyberSphere are available to schools and other programs and groups. Field trips at The Renaissance Center are unique, hands-on and curriculum-specific experiences.

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VISUAL ARTS WORKSHOPS

With one month's prior notice, specific art lessons can be developed to enhance a unit of study. Please call Bob Kucher at 615-740-5565 for more information.

KIDS COLOR THEORY WORKSHOP

Students will gain a basic understanding of the color wheel and color mixing. While creating an original painting, students will learn about primary and secondary colors, warm and cool colors as well as different color schemes. The Faraday Science Theatre's Meet the Scientist (grades K-3) is a great combination with this workshop.

CONTACT: Laura Jackson -- 740-5533
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$3.00 per student – Limit 30 students
EVENT DATE: September 2007 – May 2008
EVENT TIMES: During School hours
EVENT LOCATION: Renaissance Center
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Kindergarten – Grade 2
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 60 minutes

ADVENTURES IN SURREALISM

Students will learn about the history of surreal art through the work of some great surreal artists. They will then use the concept of surrealism to create fun and unique collages. Materials will include magazine clippings, oil pastels, watercolor and found objects on Masonite board. This makes a great collaboration with the M.E.T. series production of *Alice's Adventures In Wonderland*.

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APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Kindergarten – Grade 8
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 60 minutes

EGYPTIAN HIEROGLYPHICS

Students will participate in a discussion about Egyptian art, artifacts and culture leading to the creation of their own personal cartouche using Egyptian hieroglyphics. Ancient Egyptians used hieroglyphs, also known as hieroglyphics, the writing system composed of symbols and pictures, to make oblong or oval nameplates for royalty. Students will use drawing and painting skills to apply these symbols to display their own names. This workshop makes a great collaboration with the CyberSphere show *Stars of the Pharaohs*.

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STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$4.00 per student – Limit 30 students
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APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 1 – Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 60 minutes

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EXPERIMENTING WITH ABSTRACTION: ART AND MUSIC CONNECTIONS

Wassily Kandinski was interested in the relationship between visual art and music -- even naming his paintings with musical terms. In this workshop we will examine some of his artwork and create art inspired by music. Materials will be provided and no experience is necessary.

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APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 1 – Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 60 minutes

SILK PAINTING

Using a lesson about color and balance, students will create their own beautiful silk paintings. Participants will learn the basics of color theory through a brief lesson about the color wheel and then discuss the uses and effects of different types of balance in art. They will then have hands-on experience creating abstract textile art with silk hoops and fabric dye. The artwork created by students in this workshop can be exhibited separately or combined and displayed as one collaborative piece.

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APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 4 – Grade 12
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 60 minutes

LEARN FROM THE MASTERS

Teachers can select from the following artists: (for ages 5-7 years) Matisse or Grandma Moses and (for ages 8 and up) Van Gogh or Faith Ringgold. Each artist represents a separate lesson. Students will learn about these master artists while creating their own masterpieces. Mediums involved with these lessons include watercolor, oil pastel, paint and mixed media.

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LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 60 minutes

GALLERY GOSSIP

Gallery discussion will be held and centered around the current exhibition on display. Students/participants will discuss various principles in art as they relate to the gallery context, including topics such as design, composition, artistic intent, process and exhibition layout. Important focus will be placed on relaying an understanding of the exhibit within the space, its context within The Renaissance Center/community (when applicable) and context within global/local history or present setting. Students will be encouraged to question the art while asking “who, what and why?” Conversations seek to foster a stronger understanding of the visual arts while teaching appreciation with an open mind regarding all art, whether traditional or contemporary.

CONTACT: Laura Jackson -- 740-5533
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$3.00 per student – Limit 40 students
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EVENT LOCATION: Renaissance Center
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Grade 1 – Grade 12; adapted for age level
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 60 minutes

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ARTISTS IN THE SCHOOLS

The in-school program takes 3 different craft artists (for example: a weaver, a potter, and a wood turner) at a time into elementary schools. The artists set up a temporary in-house studio and the program is structured so that during the day all students see all three demonstrations. This allows the greatest number of children to be introduced to fine craft rather than being limited to a few classes per school. Since this is a demonstration program, teachers are encouraged to do follow-up activities that help the children experience the process in a more hands-on fashion. To assist, TACA has produced an activity guide that is made available to teachers and school art specialists.

CONTACT: Andi Holbrook, Executive Director
STUDENT TICKET PRICE/FEE: \$800.00
EVENT DATE: September 2007 – May 2008
EVENT TIMES: During School hours
EVENT LOCATION: School classrooms
APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVELS: Kindergarten – 4th Grade
LENGTH OF PROGRAM: 1 hour (3 20-minute sessions)