

Art Talks: Information Sheet



About the Springville Museum of Art

The Springville Museum of Art (SMA) is located in Springville, UT, just 10 minutes south of Provo. The Museum is the oldest art museum in the state and specializes in Utah, American, and Soviet Art. SMA hosts a variety of exhibitions highlighting Utah artists, including rotating juried shows and exhibits featuring the Museum's Permanent Collection. The Museum's Education Department seeks to facilitate engaging and transformative experiences with art through state-wide school and teacher programming.

What is Art Talks?

Art Talks is one of the Professional Outreach Programs in the Schools (POPS) funded by the Utah State Legislature through the Utah State Board of Education (USB E). For this reason, Art Talks is free for every school in the state of Utah.

Museum Educators bring Art Talks to your school for an entire day and teach up to 20 thirty-minute Studio classes (two educators simultaneously teach 10 classes) or 10 sixty-minute Kid Curator classes (two educators simultaneously teach 5 classes). Because of staff limitations, we cannot serve more than 20 classes in a day. You may schedule classes on a first-come first-served basis.

** Please note that the Art Talks Coordinator reserves the right to reschedule your school if one or both of the educators are unable to visit due to extenuating circumstances.*



How do I bring Art Talks to my school?

- Work with the Outreach Coordinator to schedule a day for Art Talks to come to your school.
- Choose a program (Studio or Kid Curators).
- You will receive a schedule template and a pre-visit packet (via email) for your chosen program. Fill in the scheduling template with your school schedule and invite teachers to sign-up their class.
- Return the completed schedule to the Outreach Coordinator.
- Forward the Pre-visit Packet to the teachers in your school.
- Invite your faculty to attend the 15-minute Q&A session with our educators that will take place after school.
- Questions? Contact Caley Abilez at cabilez@springville.org or (801) 491-5709.

Program Descriptions



**Your school has the choice of the Studio or Kid Curators Experience.
Below is a description of each program so you can prepare your students for our visit.**

Studio: K-6th Grade

This program is for grades K-6 and lasts 30 minutes. Students will begin this program by practicing close-looking with artwork from the Museum's Permanent Collection. Depending on grade level, students will then learn and practice basic approaches to creating abstract art or drawing figures. Educators will come to your classroom.

- K-1st Grade: Students will use their imaginations to arrange foam shapes to create abstract artwork.
- 2nd-6th Grade: Students will learn to sketch figures using techniques often used by professional artists. Each student will have the opportunity to be and to draw from a live model. Each student will need a pencil and paper.



Kid Curators: 3rd-6th Grade

The Kid Curator program is for grades 3-6 and lasts 60 minutes. This program uses Visual and Language Arts standards to introduce students to museums and the role of curating. In this program students will:

- Work in groups using images from the Museum's Permanent Collection to craft their own art exhibition.
- Use a main idea and supporting ideas to develop a theme for their exhibition.
- Present their main ideas as a group and explore the exhibitions of their classmates.



Faculty Q&A Session

This 15-minute session is open for all faculty to attend.
Our educators will be available to answer any questions about our programs, techniques taught in class, and how you can integrate those into your own classrooms. They will also offer free teacher resources to those attending. This session will take place after school.

