



Frequently Asked Questions

What do I need to bring to my first class?

For most adult classes, we provide a supply list of specific materials that you will need based on the class(es) you have registered for. It's a good idea to have at least some of the tools, mediums (paints, drawing materials, etc.) and a sketch pad for the first class. The supply list for Beginning Stained Glass is provided by the instructor at the first class.

Where can I buy the supplies on the materials list?

For painting, watercolor and drawing classes, most of the supplies are available in general arts & craft supply stores, such as AC Moore and Michael's. For a larger selection, visit Jerry's Artist Outlet in West Orange or Pearl Paint in Paramus (the Pearl Paint in Woodbridge is closed). Supplies can also be purchased online and through mail order. Some reliable online companies include: dickblick.com, Utrecht.com, nycentralart.com. Stained glass supplies are sold at specialty stores. The instructor will provide suggested retailers.

I'm a total beginner. What will I learn in this class and how will the instructor work with me?

Most classes at Arts Guild New Jersey are appropriate for students at all levels. (Those classes for intermediate/advanced students only are clearly marked.) Instructors work with students individually, based on their experience level. Beginners will learn the fundamentals of the medium and discipline, while those with more experience will build on their abilities and understanding of certain skills and techniques.

How knowledgeable are your instructors?

Our instructors are professional artists, many of whom have advanced degrees in fine art and experience teaching at the college level. Many of our teachers work at colleges/universities, museums and other non-profit art centers. They are very knowledgeable within their disciplines and are committed to passing that information on to their students.

I am interested in registering my child/teen for a class at the Arts Guild. What do I need to know?

Art classes for teens and kids are designed to be fun and educational; each week, students work on projects that encourage personal development of skills and critical thinking. Teen classes are appropriate for ages 12-16 and children's classes are suited for ages 7-11. We do not offer classes for younger children at this time. Students in youth classes do not need to bring anything with them to class. Materials are provided. Art classes can be messy, so students should dress appropriately.

Is parking available and is the neighborhood safe at night?

The Arts Guild and the Arts Guild Annex are located in two quiet and safe neighborhoods of Rahway. Free parking is available for students in the well-lit parking lots directly behind the buildings. If you are taking an evening class, the office attendant can accompany you to the parking lot upon your request.

We're happy to answer additional questions you may have. Please call us at 732-381-7511, 9:00-4:00 PM, Monday, Tuesday or Thursday, or email artsguild1670@verizon.net.