

# MFAH 2015–16 Programs for Educators



The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, offers a multitude of learning opportunities throughout the year to help K–12 educators integrate the arts into their classrooms for successful learning.

For information on programs for educators and how to register, visit [mfah.org/teacherworkshops](http://mfah.org/teacherworkshops).

## **Learning Through Art at the MFAH K–5 Summer Institute June 9–11**

Discover how to use the Museum's collections in classroom curriculums for art, language arts, math, science, and social studies. Through discussions, hands-on projects, and collaboration, learn TEKS- and STAAR-aligned lessons that use the visual arts to teach critical and creative thinking. Provides eighteen hours of SBEC- and G/T-approved, continuing-education credit hours.

## **Learning Through Art at the MFAH 6–12 Summer Institute July 7–9**

Acquire innovative methods for connecting art with teaching and learning. Explore how to integrate higher-level cognitive skills, such as overcoming a fear of the unknown and analyzing and synthesizing relationships and information. Provides eighteen hours of SBEC- and G/T-approved, continuing-education credit hours.

## **Summer Mini-Conference for Teachers July 28–29**

Artists and educators present sessions on art making, art history, and art education based on the Museum's collections. Each session includes a studio component. Registration occurs onsite on a first-come, first-served basis. Provides ten hours of SBEC-approved, continuing-education credit hours.

## **Special Topics in Art Education August 3–7**

This studio art course for teachers focuses on the development of studio skills balanced by the investigation of art activities for the classroom. Explore ways to use works of art at the Museum as inspiration. Provides twenty-five hours of SBEC-approved, continuing-education credit hours.

## **Houston Arts Partners Conference @ the MFAH September 11–12**

This conference combines arts integration tools and arts education advocacy for the Houston teaching artist community and campus educators from Texas. Increase awareness of the importance of arts education access for all students; attend panel discussions on education trends and arts and education legislation; and learn how to create and fund innovative partnerships with arts organizations.

## **Educator Previews September 24, January 28**

These preview evenings feature lectures from curators and scholars, tours of exhibitions, interactive workshops, and discussions designed for pre-K–12 teachers, curriculum specialists, and administrators. Explore upcoming exhibitions, collection areas, and opportunities at the Museum for educators. Provides three hours of SBEC- and G/T-approved, continuing-education credit hours.

## **Museum Educator Open House October 3**

At this free event, attend sessions with continuing-education and G/T credits, experience area museums, and learn about professional development opportunities.

**Master Classes for Educators**  
**October 10, November 14, January 9,**  
**February 6, April 30**

Stimulate, challenge, and take your work to a new level in this studio workshop. Hands-on activities, new approaches, and materials will kick-start your own creativity.

**Learning Through Art at the MFAH K–12**  
**Educator Seminars**  
**October 17, November 7, February 13, April 2**

Through art, bridge disciplines to teach literacy and writing skills, math, science, and social studies. Use the Museum’s K–12 curriculum to integrate higher-level cognitive skills such as observing and organizing information, making predictions, and communicating ideas with art-inquiry methods. Provides six hours of SBEC- and G/T-approved, continuing-education credit hours.



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Check out the Learning Through Art at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston online curriculum, an exciting way to

connect your classroom to the Museum. Explore the website at <http://lta.mfah.org/>.

All programs are subject to change. Most programs require preregistration. Seminars and workshops must have a minimum of ten participants to be held. For the latest updates and details: [mfah.org/calendar](http://mfah.org/calendar).

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**Plan Your Professional Development**

Throughout the year, seminars are offered that bridge the Museum’s collections and classroom curriculum. Held at the Museum, these seminars can be tailored based on subject area, goals, and grade levels to suit the needs and interests of your group. To schedule: [resource@mfah.org](mailto:resource@mfah.org).

**Plan a Visit for Your School Group**

Bring your students for a visit, *free of charge!* Exploring art supports student growth and reinforces the cognitive skills necessary for success. Guided tours are offered September–May, and self-guided visits are available all year. To sign up: [mfah.org/schooltours](http://mfah.org/schooltours).

**The Kinder Foundation Education Center (KFEC)**

Anytime during Museum hours, stop by KFEC, the hub for all interpretive resources and materials, to learn more about art, plan a Museum visit, and make the most of the Museum. Located in the lower level of the Caroline Wiess Law Building, KFEC includes the Art-To-Go resource center, a lending library of art-related materials available for everyone. For information: [mfah.org/kfec](http://mfah.org/kfec).

**Mark your calendar for 2016–2017**

**Learning Through Art K–5 Summer Institute**  
**June 7–9, 2016**

**Learning Through Art 6–12 Summer Institute**  
**July 12, 13, 15, 2016**

**Summer Mini-Conference for Teachers**  
**July 26–27, 2016**

**Special Topics in Art Education**  
**August 1–5, 2016**