

CREATE CATALOG

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS



"Bluebirds" by Matthew Jacques

SPRING 2020

CLASSES OPEN TO EVERYONE

For more information about Create or to register for classes,
please visit www.vistalifeinnovations.org/createclasses
or contact Jess Lillge, Quality of Life Manager:
jlillge@vistalifeinnovations.org or (860) 399-8080 ext.269



Create is a program of Vista Life Innovations.



APRIL - MAY

Drawing Fun

This class focuses on how you are drawing rather than what you are drawing. The first project will incorporate colored scratch-art paper while the second class will have a focus on the transfer process, which uses printing plates and markers. Students will learn how to make multiple copies of their drawings using a variety of colors. The teacher will bring in books to spark your imagination and students will be encouraged to choose their own subject matter.

Instructor: Alice Chittenden

Location: Downtown Madison Campus

Saturdays: April 4, April 11

10:00 am - 11:00 am

Cost: \$75



Fantastic Landscapes

Explore strange new worlds in distant galaxies or paint some of our own world's extreme environments. Fantastic Landscapes is a chance to experiment with color, texture and abstraction in the landscape. Learn to paint volcanoes, icebergs, deserts and anything else you can imagine.

Instructor: Sharon Blencowe

Location: Madison Campus, Visual Arts Room

Tuesdays: April 14, April 21, April 28, May 5,

May 12, May 19

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Cost: \$150



Resin Works

In this class, we will create wearable jewelry and small objects out of a glass-like material called resin. Students will pour resin over our very small drawings to create beautiful and unique charms, coasters, and magnets. Students will also add various objects, glitter, and flowers directly into the resin so it dries inside the objects. It's very easy and fun!

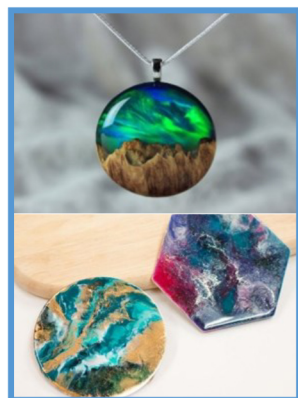
Instructor: Samantha Smith

Location: Madison Campus, Connect Through Art II Room

Mondays: April 20, April 27, May 4, May 11, May 18

9:30 am - 10:30 am

Cost: \$125



A Taste of Ballroom

This is an opportunity to learn the basic steps of East Coast Swing and American Tango in a supportive, upbeat atmosphere. No experience or partner needed for this exciting class! Students will have the opportunity to feel the magic of dancing in partnership while building confidence, enjoying physical activity and listening to great music! Please dress comfortably. Leather sole shoes suggested, rather than sneakers.

Instructor: Sharyn Farrell

Location: Madison Campus, Staff Room

Tuesdays: April 21, April 28, May 5, May 12

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Cost: \$100





APRIL - MAY

Color Exploration

Using paint is not the only way to experiment with color. Students will pile on bright colored construction paper in layers and use white chalk on deep, dark painted backgrounds. Let's explore color values with masking tape and paint to make a brightly painted collage. Paint chips from a paint store can be used to make wonderful designs on paper!

Instructor: Lisa Arnold

Location: Madison Campus, Visual Arts Room

Wednesdays: April 22, April 29, May 6,

May 13, May 20

10:00 am - 11:00 am

Cost: \$125



Let's Hear it for Clay

In this class, students will have the opportunity to create unique pieces of their choice using air-dry clay that will be painted once dried. Let's make pitchers, vases, or bowls as special treasures for gifts or for you to keep!

Instructor: Lisa Arnold

Location: Madison Campus, Visual Arts Room

Wednesdays: April 22, April 29, May 6,

May 13, May 20

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Cost: \$125



Leaf, Flower, Tree

The return of spring brings an abundance of flowers, leaves, and new growth to our trees. To celebrate mother nature's annual renewal, students will undertake three projects - one focusing on leaves, one on flowers and one on trees. We'll be making drawings, painting, stenciling and sometimes combine materials. Join us to welcome in the season.

Instructor: Alice Chittenden

Location: Downtown Madison Campus

Saturdays: April 25, May 2, May 9, May 16

10:00 am - 11:00 am

Cost: \$100



UPCOMING EVENTS...

Look for Vista's Paint Night events at local venues!

For more information or to book a private paint night, contact Jess Lillge at jlillge@vistalifeinnovations.org or (860) 399-8080 ext. 269.





MAY - JUNE

Beeswax Candle Making

Everyone is fascinated by the true to life photos of the honeybee's life cycle! Students will quickly see how honey and beeswax production fit into the picture of our natural surroundings, in addition to obtaining a greater understanding of honeybee life where beeswax comes from, and why these candles are extra special!

Instructor: Sharyn Farrell

Location: Madison Campus, Visual Arts Room

Tuesday: May 5

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Cost: \$50



Private Voice Lessons

Participants of these lessons will receive professional instruction on how to sing in mixed voice, which means singing in a combination of head voice and chest voice. This produces a full, bright sound that is similar to belting but is less likely to cause injury.

Instructor: Neil Fuentes

Location: Madison Campus, Staff Room

Tuesdays: May 12, May 19, June 2, June 9, June 16, June 23

10:00 am - 1:00 pm - 6 private sessions

(30 minutes/session)

TBD within this timeframe - \$400



Step-by-Step Painting

This class will be structured like a paint night, meaning students will be taught in a step-by-step method. This method is perfect for beginners. All students will be working on the same image, yet will end up with their own unique version of it.

Instructor: Samantha Smith

Location: Madison Campus, Connect

Through Art II Room

Fridays: May 29, June 5, June 12, June 19, June 26

9:30 am - 10:30 am

Cost: \$125



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APRIL - MAY - JUNE

Private Painting and Drawing Lessons **(1-to-1 instruction)**

Private painting and drawing lessons. Students will work one-on-one with the instructor to improve drawing and/or painting skills. Students will decide what they want to create and will work together with the instructor to make that vision come alive.

Instructor: Samantha Smith

Location, Day, and Time: To Be Determined

5 private sessions

(1 hour/session) - \$325



REGISTER FOR CLASSES...

Create Class Locations

Madison Campus: 105 and 107 Bradley Road

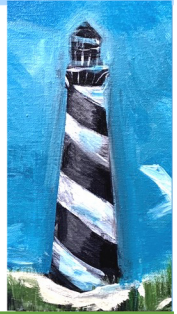
Downtown Madison Campus:

712 Boston Post Road

Come visit the retail store, Creations, at 712 Boston Post Road.

The Create Art Studio is located in the back of this space. You can enter through the back entrance which is handicap accessible.

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all abilities through the arts.

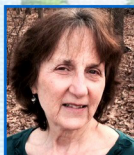
OUR INSTRUCTORS



Lisa Arnold has been teaching classes at Vista for several years now. She is a working and exhibiting artist, as well as an art instructor at Parson's School of Design, School of Visual Arts, the Silvermine School of Art, and many other art guilds. Lisa Smith Arnold has extensive experience in teaching watercolors as well as other genres.



Shannon Blencowe graduated from Montserrat College of Art in 2016 with a BA in Illustration and a Minor in Creative Writing. She studied and worked in Boston, becoming involved in arts and social services organizations. Recently, she returned to her home state of Connecticut and currently resides in East Haven near her family. Shannon enjoys teaching art, writing on the weekends, and good coffee.



Alice Chittenden holds a BFA degree from the University of Hartford and a MALS from Wesleyan University. She has studied at the Haystack Mountain School of Crafts, the Penland School of Crafts and Alfred University. Her work is in collections in China and private collections in the UK, Australia and the U.S. She maintains her own studio and is part of the Shoreline Arts Trail.



Sharyn Farrell, is a choreographer with over 13 years of experience, as well as a teacher and student of dance. Sharyn is excited to share her enthusiasm and passion for dance with Vista and get everyone moving in creative ways!



Neil Fuentes is a former Celebrity Chef with appearances on shows such as Chopped and Rewrapped. Mostly known as "The Singing Chef," Neil left the food business to join forces with his husband to open the New Haven Academy of Performing Arts where he is the Senior Vocal Coach and Acting Coach. Neil studied Vocal Science with IVTOM (International Voice Teachers Of Mix) and now dedicates himself to help singers develop, strengthen, and preserve their instrument, the voice.



Samantha Smith has always had a passion for making art. She studied at Pratt Institute of Technology and earned a BFA from Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts. Samantha's work has been featured in several magazine publications, such as *Two Coats of Paint* and the *New London Day*. Currently Samantha is collaborating on narrative oil paintings with her sister.



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