

ANNUAL FUND – PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT THE ARTS

First graders experimenting with clay. Second graders staging a modern dance performance. Fourth and fifth graders performing Shakespeare. Middle schoolers engaging in musical theater.

Integration of art and music into the daily curriculum has long been an important goal at Claire Lilienthal. With support from the San Francisco Arts Education Program (SFAEP), students at all grade levels experience a variety of artistic experiences throughout the school year. Professional artists join our classroom teachers to provide instruction in a variety of artistic expressions such as dance, music, theater, and visual arts. The PTA will fund \$40,000 for the 2016-17 school year to help bring artists into our school for a short term residency program with each grade experiencing a different creative art.



Grade	Artist in Residency	Length of Residency
K	Visual Arts	12 weeks
1 st	Ceramics	12 weeks
2 nd	Dance	12 weeks
3 rd	Visual Arts	12 weeks
4 th and 5 th	Theater Arts	12 weeks
6 th – 8 th elective	Musical Theater	11 weeks
6 th – 8 th elective	NEW! Visual Arts	11 weeks

See what our teachers and students have to say about the importance of art in education:

"As a classroom teacher, I believe the integration of art into the daily curriculum is very important. Art should mostly be taught in this way in the classroom setting. One way I do this in my classroom is to have the students perform a musical while studying the effects of the Gold Rush in California History. The students have an opportunity to learn Social Studies and incorporate language arts, music, performing arts, visual arts and design, and cooperative learning all at the same time. I have found that students respond in the most positive way to learning when they have the opportunity to work on longer projects where they have the opportunity to design, create, and present their knowledge and understanding on a topic. The arts lead us in this direction."

- Gloria Carrillo, 4th grade teacher, and Arts Coordinator

"Art means anything. Anything can be art. Drawing, writing, and dancing can be art. Even a little scribble can be art!"

- Ashton C., 4th grade

"Art means vibrant colors and darkness. Art means life and death. Art means everything and nothing. Art is everything and nothing. Art is art."

- Lucas P., 6th grade

"Art means a thought of creativity and wonder. Art is something that makes you feel free and calm. Art is something anyone can do and all you need is faith in you."

- Savannah M., 4th grade

From the SFUSD Arts Education Master Plan:

"When students are offered quality arts education continuously throughout their school years (sequential arts education) and are given the opportunity to build upon and refine acquired skills, they will carry those skills from the school, to the workplace, to society at large."

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