

ARTrails Loves Kids!

Getting the Most Out of Your Art Experience

This guide was put together to help kids, teachers, parents, groups, and visitors get the most out your time at ARTrails Open Studio Tour.

ENTERING A GALLERY, STUDIO OR COLLECTIVE SPACE

- Walk in and look around. Notice the details.
 - What colors are used in the artwork? How do they work together? What color combinations do you really like?
 - Does the artist use lots of textures? What do you notice about the textures?
 - Which piece of art grabs your attention? Why?
 - How does the art make you feel?
- Start a conversation with the artist. Ask Questions.
 - How did you know you wanted to be an artist?
 - What tools and materials do you use?
 - What do you like about your medium (clay, paint, fiber, wood, metal, glass, etc.)?
 - What is your favorite part of making art?
- Notice details about the art.
 - Are the colors mostly warm or are they cool, is there a combination of both? What color combinations do you really like?
 - What does the artist do with lines, textures, colors, shapes, and composition?
 - Study a piece of art. Is there a part or section that really draws your attention?
 - How does the art make you feel?
 - Do you see a type of art that you'd like to try? Ask questions about how to get started.

BE A CONSIDERATE GUEST

- You are visiting a working studio or gallery space so watch your step, move carefully, and be aware that there might be dangerous equipment, tools, or materials.
- Do not touch art, materials, or tools unless artist specifically asks you to.
- Always ask the artist for permission before taking pictures.
- Do not bring in food or beverages unless the artist says it is ok.

FIND OUT ABOUT CAREERS IN THE ART WORLD

- Artist
- Gallery owner
- Art teacher
- Museum
- Art store
- Others.....

ACTIVITY SHEET

Make a sketch of your favorite piece(s) of art.

What is a medium? What's your favorite medium and why?

What tools did you see that surprised you?

Look at the art of two artists working in the same medium. How is it the same and different?
