



**Grace Homeschool Group
Burke, VA**

Class Description: Due no later than **June 28** to Mary Stahl email: stahlme2009@gmail.com

Email Subject line: Course Name, Grade Level & Teacher name example: GG Art 4-6_ MaryStahl

Description should include the following: (Format can include paragraph or a list)

- Course overview: Brief summary of skills to be learned & goals you'd like to reach with your students.
- Skill Requirements: Clear expectations of who would benefit from the class and any necessary skills that are required to participate in your class.
- Participation: Describe how students are expected to engage and participate in class activities.
- Supplies: List of supplies that will be used during class.
- Supply Fee: Set amount of the course fee, Price out supplies now, use best judgement.

Here are two examples: First from Dawn (in paragraph format) Second from Mary (in outline list):

**Science through experiments 4th - 6th grades - Grace Homeschool Group
teacher Dawn Wyckoff**

Over the course of 16 weeks, we will take a journey through the world of science in the areas of physical science, earth science, biology and chemistry.

Experiments will all be hands-on to experience and learn about some of the foundational principles of science using simple materials that can easily be found at home.

We will introduce the topic and learning point, discuss the hypothesis before the experiment and observe the conclusions.

We will write simple lab reports to introduce the concept of recording findings and drawing conclusions.

Skills required - ability to listen and follow step by step instructions, work in a group of 2 or 3, simple writing skills for lab reports



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Grace Group Arts and Crafts – Lower Elementary K-3

Teacher: Mary Stahl

Create artwork inspired by **God's Creation, Master Artists and Storybook Ideas**

Supply Fee: \$20

Description/ Goals: Students will explore a wide variety of art materials and techniques during their creative processes, gain an appreciation for art, and develop confidence in their artistic abilities.

#8 (1/11) **Cut Paper Collage** inspired by the pop-up book, The Snowmen.

#9 (1/25) Colorful **Geometric Tempera Painting** inspired by the grid-like composition style of Artist **Wassily Kandinsky's** "Concentric Circles". Students will use Tempera Quick Dry Paint Sticks.

#10 (2/8) **Watercolor Painting** of white Birch Trees using cool colors in a winter landscape.

#11 (2/22) **Oil Pastel Drawing** on grey paper of favorite dessert inspired by the style of pop artist **Wayne Thiebaud**. Combine simple shapes, form, and texture to create dimension.

#12 (3/7) Use hand-building skills to create a small, colorful **3-D Food Sculpture** using *Crayola model magic*. Explore how pop artist, **Claes Oldenburg**, used everyday materials to create life-sized food sculptures in public spaces.

#13 (3/21) Create a **Self-Portrait Drawing** of yourself and a friend or family member, inspired by **Grant Wood's** famous painting American Gothic. Use composition and overlapping skills to create depth in the drawing. Draw on light blue paper and finish with crayons.

#14 (4/11) Create a **Cherry Blossom tissue paper collage** celebrating the beauty of God's creation each spring season.

#15 (4/25) **Fiber Art:** Use your fine motor skills and a plastic sewing needle to create a felt-sown animal or plant. Add the finishing touches with glitter foam and felt stickers.

#16 (5/9) Create a **Zentangle Drawing** using black felt tip marker on white paper. Observe the graphic artwork of artist MC Esher and his optical illusions. Choose a simple shape and outline with repetition.

Grace Group Fall 2023 _MS/HS Art

Instructor: Mary Stahl

Course: Smartphone digital photography (7 class hours) **Cost** \$15

Each class will consist of the following:

10-15 mins: Introduction to the topic of the day

20-25 mins: Time to put skills into practice by taking photographs,

15 mins: share and reflection time.

We will use a photographic projector that smart phones can plug into to display photographs.

Homework: Students should set aside some time on the off weeks to practice skills.

Why Smartphone Photography?

Smartphone photography focuses on using your mobile device to take beautiful pictures. Just because you don't have a big fancy camera, or the newest smartphone, you can still take amazing photos with whichever smartphone camera you currently own. Throughout the following activities, you will become more familiar with your smartphone camera app and become a better photographer as you learn about critical elements such as lighting, the story you are trying to tell and photo editing on your smartphone.

Learning objectives

By the end of this course, students will be able to perform at a basic level:

1. Learn basic history of Photography. View a variety of cameras and the advancement of camera technology.
2. Set focus and exposure manually in a smartphone camera app
3. Follow basic guidelines to improve composition and lighting including moving around the subject and rule of thirds.
4. Use a smartphone app for taking and post-processing photos
5. Participate in class discussion of famous photographers and critique amongst classmate's work. Be respectful in providing feedback to each other.

Class Topics

1. Activity #1 Take back control: get out of auto mode
2. Activity #2 Move around "Basics of Composition" using Rule of Thirds
3. Activity #3 Get to Know Light
4. Activity #4 White Balance
5. Activity #5 Portrait Photography
6. Activity #6 Fixing Barrel Distortion
7. Activity #7 Learn how to set up a Mini Home Studio (students bring in personal items)