

# IESA Art Workshops

Why settle for a black and white education in a world full of color? Let the IESA help color your students' world!

## Participation in the Arts:

?? Strengthens student problem-solving and critical thinking skills, adding to overall academic achievement and school success

?? Helps students develop a sense of craftsmanship, quality task performance, and goal-setting— skills needed to succeed in the classroom and beyond

?? Helps all students develop more appreciation and understanding of the world around them

## EXPOSURE!

Consistent exposure to the arts enhances students' cognitive development, provides them with meaning, enables them to express themselves.

## SUCCESS!

A well-rounded education that includes the arts improves students' chances of success after graduation, both within and outside of traditional creative industries.

## CAREER CHOICES!

### PARTICIPATION!

Our economy is increasingly based on careers in sectors that require creativity, problem solving and analytical thinking. Participation in the arts is a key component of a student's education and development. Knowledge of the arts will profoundly impact their lives and shape their success in the future.



Students in Action!

## NEW FOR 2009-10: ARTWORK NEEDED!

We need pictures of your students' artwork, sculptures, or photographs. All works submitted will be displayed on the IESA art webpage. Works will be rotated monthly.

If you are interested in submitting pieces for online display, you will need to take a photo of your piece. Please keep in mind the following when taking your photo:

- ?? Take the photo in a well-lit area.
- ?? Fill as much of the frame as possible.

Please send files in the following format:

- Format: .jpg suggested (.tif or .bmp acceptable)
- DPI: Maximum 150 dpi, 72 dpi is best
- Width in pixels: minimum 500/maximum 1000 pixels

Attach and email your file to [nicole@iesa.org](mailto:nicole@iesa.org). In your email, please include the name of your school, name of artist, year in school of artist, name of piece.

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**NEW SITE!!!**

## Art Workshop Dates:

? Initial Entry Deadline: February 8, 2010

? Eastern Illinois University in Charleston—  
Date: April 22, 2010

? Illinois State University in Normal—Date:  
April 24, 2010

? Manteno High School—Date: April 24, 2010

## What are the IESA Art Workshops?

Workshops are held annually by the IESA at Illinois State University and Eastern Illinois University. The workshops give students the chance to expand on their creative processes by exposing them to new and interesting media, tools, and materials.

The workshops take place on the participating university campuses. Art education majors at both universities provide the instruction for each activity. The art education majors introduce the participants to the activity and the tools they will be using, give a brief history of the activity, and demonstrate the steps involved. Each workshop runs between 2 to 3 hours. All of the materials needed for each activity are provided.

The participants choose the activities they will be involved in for the day. Students are encouraged to explore their creativity and each will take their projects with them at the conclusion of the workshop. Workshops are not designed only for your students. Those instructors accompanying their students have the chance to meet and share with their colleagues. It is also an excellent opportunity to discuss fundraising and curriculum ideas. Instructors also observe the various activities being presented to their students.

### Entering the Workshops

Membership in the IESA is open to all public and parochial elementary, middle, and junior high schools recognized by the Illinois State Board of Education. Over seven hundred fifty schools constitute the present membership of the IESA. All member schools are eligible to

enter the Art Workshops. The workshops are held in April.

To enter the Workshops, contact the IESA Office or access our website ([www.iesaa.org](http://www.iesaa.org)). The Art Workshop activity fee is due in February. Participation in the workshops is \$6.00 per student.

