

# SMARTS Summer Workshops 2025

## *Something Old, Something New*

This summer at SMARTS, it's all about **creativity, connection, and cool new experiences!** Pick one workshop and get a pair of classes that perfectly complement each other. That means **double the inspiration, double the discovery, and double the fun!**

Whether you're into **theater, visual art, music, or dance**, every SMARTS session is designed to give you a fresh perspective, help you build new skills, and express yourself in exciting new ways.

You'll delve deeper into what you love while exploring new forms of art, all through **hands-on learning, imaginative projects, and plenty of laughter and creativity.**

From painting to performance, storytelling to stagecraft—we're bringing the **SMARTS magic and the adventure.**

**Two classes. One creative mission. Let's make this summer unforgettable!**

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## SMARTS Summer Workshop 2025 Guidelines

### Enrollment

Students can enroll in one workshop per week and get two classes for one. Enrollment opens live online May 28 @ 1:00pm. Over 3 weeks, there are 15 workshops, representing 23 individual sessions. These workshops provide spots for 175 students and represent 20 hours of instruction per student for each week. Workshops must fill to 50% capacity in order to run. All workshops *are free, open to the public*, and offered on a first-come, first-served basis to students who have applications on file with SMARTS. See the Early SMARTS information for those workshops. Apply here: [www.SmartsArtSchool.org/classes](http://www.SmartsArtSchool.org/classes).

### Daily Workshop Schedule Sample

9:45 -10:00am	Sign In / Drop -off
10:00 -12:00pm	1 <sup>ST</sup> SMARTS class
12:00 – 1:00pm	Lunch time / Break Group 1/ Break 12:00 – 12:30pm Group 2 / Break 12:30 – 1:00pm
1:00 – 3:00pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> SMARTS class
3:00 – 3:15pm	Dismissal / Sign - Out

### Schedule

Students should be dropped off ***no earlier than 9:45 am***, and students must be signed out at **3:00 pm**. Each workshop will run for one week, Monday – Friday @ **10:00 - 3:00 pm**, which includes a lunch break and free time. **Students must be picked up no later than 3:30 pm.**

### Bring Your Own Lunch & Drink

Students will need to bring their own labeled lunch and drink daily. Please do not pack for your child any food items containing peanuts, peanut butter, or tree nuts to accommodate students with severe allergies. Lunch occurs in 2 groups between 12:00-1:00pm.

### Early SMARTS Eligibility & Attendance

Students ages 18 months to 5 years old who have not yet entered Kindergarten may take an Early SMARTS Workshop. ***\*All Early SMARTS students must be accompanied by an adult (parent, guardian, grandparent or approved adult) \****. Each workshop is limited to two members per household. Attendance both days of the workshop is mandatory. Please do not enroll in a workshop if you cannot attend both days.

### Workshops

#### (Grades K-3)

There is one workshop offered in two different time slots to accommodate family scheduling. If some adjustment is required, it must be set between the family and Program Director. Please contact DeAudra Edgerson with questions at 330-574-2787 Ext.2

#### (Grades 4-12)

Each workshop is two paired sessions. The pair provides a unique art learning opportunity with a different teacher. Students must complete both sessions of the workshop and remain in the sessions they are enrolled in for the week. If some adjustment is required, it must be set between the family and Program Director. Please contact DeAudra Edgerson with questions at 330-574-2787 Ext.2

**Grade Level Eligibility**

All students, are considered the grade level they most recently completed in the 2024-2025 school year when enrolling in a SMARTS Summer Workshop. In order to qualify for Grade K workshops, students must have already completed Kindergarten. Students not yet in Kindergarten can enroll in Early SMARTS Workshops. See the Early SMARTS information for those schedules.

**Attendance**

Attendance all five days of the workshop is mandatory. Workshop participants must have perfect attendance (100%) because of the immersive learning experience. Please do not enroll in a workshop- if you cannot attend all five days. Students who are more than 30 minutes late will not be permitted in their workshop that day and must be picked up immediately. If you are late see DeAudra please do not leave your child.

**Masks, Health, and Safety**

Face masks are optional at this time, but this may change at any point.

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## Early SMARTS Guidelines

Early SMARTS ONLY- Summer Workshops 18mos – 5yrs old Week #1 June 9-13				
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Multi- Room	Early SMARTS Rainbow Sprouts, Ages 18mos-5yrs (11:00 - 11:45am) <b>Chloe Downey</b>		Early SMARTS Alphabet ART! Ages 18mos-5yrs (11:00 - 11:45am) <b>Chloe Downey</b>	
Music Room	Early SMARTS Pint- Sized Prancers, Ages 18mos-5yrs (12:00 –12:30pm) <b>Alfred Todd</b>		Early SMARTS Little Melody Makers, Ages 18mos-5yrs (12:00 –12:30pm) <b>Alfred Todd</b>	

### Enrollment

Early SMARTS workshops are two-day workshops (Monday & Tuesday or Wednesday & Thursday). Students are allowed to register for an individual, 30-40 minutes workshop or register for two workshops per day or week for double the fun. Students can enroll in multiple workshops per week. Enrollment opens live online May 28 @ 1:00pm. There are 4 Early SMARTS workshops, representing 40 spots for students and their accompanying adult. Workshops must fill to 50% capacity in order to run. See the Overview PK-12 information for all other workshops. All Summer workshops are *free, open to the public*, and offered on a first-come, first-served basis to students who have applications on file with SMARTS. Apply here: [www.SmartsArtSchool.org/classes](http://www.SmartsArtSchool.org/classes).

### Early SMARTS Eligibility & Attendance

Students ages 18 months to 5 years old who have not yet entered Kindergarten may take an Early SMARTS Workshop. Workshop is limited to two members per household. ***All Early SMARTS students must be accompanied by an adult (parent, guardian, grandparent or approved adult).*** Early SMARTS workshops are Mon & Tues or Wed & Thurs, two days each, and attendance both days of the workshop is mandatory. Please do not enroll in a workshop if you cannot attend both days.

## Early SMARTS Workshops 2025



### **Early SMARTS: Rainbow Sprouts, Ages 18mos-5yrs | Chloe Downey Monday & Tuesday | 11:00 - 11:45 am**

Get ready for a colorful adventure! In this class, little artists will dive into the magic of rainbows as they explore and experiment with every shade in the spectrum—Red, Orange, Yellow, Green, Blue, Indigo, and Violet! Through exciting hands-on projects like yarn art, tissue paper murals, and creating mini home décor, your child will

bring a splash of color to life. Let their creativity soar as they discover the joy of making vibrant, rainbow-inspired masterpieces!

### **Early SMARTS: Alphabet ART! Ages 18mos-5yrs | Chloe Downey Wednesday & Thursday | 11:00 – 11:45am**

Who says learning the alphabet can't be a blast—and a little bit messy? In this creative class, we'll take the 26 magical letters and transform them into fun, quirky works of art. Imagine turning the letter F into a fabulous flamingo or into a jumping frog! Each session is a new adventure in creativity as we explore the alphabet through painting, crafting, and lots of giggles. Come join us to see what wild and wonderful creations we can make with every letter!



### **Early SMARTS: Pint-Sized Prancers, Ages 18mos-5yrs | Alfred Todd Monday & Tuesday | 12:00 – 12:30pm**

Do you have an energetic little one who can't stop moving their feet? This fun-filled workshop is designed for tiny music lovers with big energy! Packed with exciting dance games and activities, your child will jump, groove, and giggle through it all. From hula hoops to freeze dances, high jumps to Pass the Dance

Move, there's no shortage of movement and laughter. Get ready for a whirlwind of fun, rhythm, and creativity in every session!



### **Early SMARTS Little Melody Makers, Ages 18mos-5yrs | Alfred Todd | Wednesday & Thursday | 12:00 – 12:30pm**

This class is a toe tapping, head shaking, foot stomping good time. If you love music, counting, silly songs, or singing loudly, this is your class. We will create all kinds of fun songs, about a little of everything. While learning about rhythm, steady beat and song creation. This class will reinforce fine motor skills and introduce music literacy.

SMARTS Summer Workshops 2025   K-12   Weeks #1-3						
		SMARTATORIUM	Piano Lab	Art Room	Multi Room	Music Room
Week #1 June 9-13	Week#1 Workshop Title	SMARTS Music Lab #2, Grades 4-12	SMARTS Your Song, Your Stage, Grades 4-12	SMARTS: Print, Press, and Play! Grades K-3 <i>Register for one time slot or the other</i>	<i>* See Early SMARTS Schedule*</i>	<i>* See Early SMARTS Schedule*</i>
	1 <sup>st</sup> Session	Simon Kenneally (10:00 -12:00pm)	Amanda Beagle (10:00 -12:00pm)	Lexie Larson (10:00 -12:00pm)		
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Session	Simon Kenneally (1:00-3:00pm)	Alex Miller (1:00-3:00pm)	Lexie Larson (1:00-3:00pm)		
Week#2 July 7-11	Week #2 Workshop Title	SMARTS All About Dungeons & Dragons, Grades 4-8		SMARTS Junk in the Trunk, Grades 4-12	SMARTS Knot Your Grandma's Textiles, Grades 4-12	
	1 <sup>st</sup> Session	Rea Gaugler-Beuter (10:00-12:00pm)		Sarah Fenton (10:00-12:00pm)	Chloe Downey (10:00-12:00pm)	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Session	Dominic Adams (1:00-3:00pm)		Mia Mondora (1:00-3:00pm)	Brinly Haley (1:00-3:00pm)	
Week#3 July 14-18	Week #3 Workshop Title	SMARTS Rhythm & Reel, Grades 6-12		SMARTS Mastering Motion & The Human Form, Grades 4-12	Commedia dell SMARTE, Grades 4-12	SMARTS Beautiful Places, Grades 6-12
	1 <sup>st</sup> Session	Margie Rapp (10:00-12:00pm)		Rea Gaugler-Beuter (10:00-12:00pm)	Kylee Pauley (10:00-12:00pm)	Willie Duck (10:00-12:00pm)
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Session	Sophia Menelle (1:00-3:00pm)		Robert Kerr (1:00-3:00pm)	Jeremiah Kibler (1:00-3:00pm)	Rachel Hritz (1:00-3:00pm)



## Week #1

June 9-13



### **SMARTS Your Song, Your Stage, Grades 4-12**

**(Amanda Beagle & Alex Miller)**

Do you love music and dream of making your own song? In this exciting workshop, you'll jump into the world of songwriting by writing your very own song from scratch! We'll guide you through creating lyrics, melodies, and rhythms that express your unique style. Plus, you'll receive vocal training to help you sing your song with confidence and flair. At the end of the workshop, you'll get to perform your original song for an audience—get ready to show off your musical talent and be a star!

Students must bring their own labeled lunch and drink.

### **SMARTS: Print, Press, and Play! Grades K-3**

**(Lexi Larson)**

*+Offered at two time slots 10:00-12:00pm or 1:00-3:00pm*

Get ready for a messy, fun-filled adventure in art! In this class, we'll dive into the exciting world of printmaking, where we'll use ink to create all sorts of cool designs. From stamping leaves to making shapes, cut-outs, and all kinds of fun prints, your little artist will have a blast pressing and playing with ink! Be sure to wear your "messy clothes" because we're going to get colorful and creative as we make awesome art together!



### **SMARTS Music Lab #2, Grades 4-12**

**(Simon Kenneally)**



*Find the right key to unlock & grow your inner musician. SMARTS Music Lab* is designed for advanced students who are already comfortable with an instrument (or more) and are eager to take their musicality to the next level. This program is centered around helping young musicians discover their unique style, improve their musicality, and guide them through the process of becoming a professional musician. The course will empower students to experiment with

different genres, develop a deep understanding of music production, and gain the skills necessary to present themselves professionally in the music industry. SMARTS students are expected to maintain an attendance rate of at least 100%. Please do not enroll in this workshop- if you cannot attend all five days. This class will meet twice a week for 2-hour sessions each day. ***SMARTS Students must register for each semester in order to complete the full series. This is the second semester in this series and the summer focus is Funk | Soul | R&B***



#### Summer 2025 Semester 2: Funk | Soul | R&B

- **Funk:** Focus on creating groove-driven music with an emphasis on rhythm, syncopation, and bass lines.
- **Soul | R&B:** Learn about emotive phrasing, vocal delivery, and intricate harmonies that define soul and R&B music, creating a powerful emotional connection with audiences.

#### Program Benefits:

- **Discover Your Musical Identity:**  
By exploring different genres, students will better understand their musical influences and preferences, developing their own unique sound and style.
- **Hands-On Experience:**  
The program emphasizes practical learning, giving students the opportunity to experiment with creating and recording their music, just like professional musicians.
- **Skills for the Music Industry:**  
Students will gain a solid foundation in music production and performance, helping them prepare for a career in the music industry, whether as a solo artist, band member, or producer.
- **Creative Confidence:**  
As students experiment with their music and present it in various professional formats, they will build the confidence needed to pursue their passion in the arts.

#### End Result:

By the end of the program, students will:

- Have a deeper understanding of musical genres and their historical significance.
- Be equipped with the skills to create, record, and produce their own music.
- Build a professional portfolio that showcases their artistic abilities and prepares them for the music industry.

SMARTS Music Lab is more than just a music course—it's a journey of self-discovery, artistic growth, and preparation for a future in the ever-evolving music industry. Join us to refine your craft and step into the world of music as a true artist! Students must bring their own labeled lunch and drink.

***SMARTS Students must register for each semester in order to complete the full series. This semesters focus is Funk | Soul | R&B \*\*Special incentive for students who have perfect attendance \*\****



## Week #2

July 7-11



### **SMARTS Knot Your Grandma's Textiles, Grades 4-12 (Brinly Haley & Chloe Downey)**

Ready to make some totally awesome, modern textile art? In this workshop, we'll take classic techniques like **hand sewing, crocheting** and give them a fresh, fun twist! Learn how to tie knots to create cool personal bags, embroider or pick up a crochet hook to make stylish accessories and unique designs. Whether you're a beginner or already know a little, this class will show you how to turn string and yarn into works of art. Get ready to get creative and bring home something super cool that you made yourself! Students must bring their own labeled lunch and drink.

### **SMARTS: Junk in the Trunk, Grades 4-12 (Sarah Fenton & Mia Mondora)**

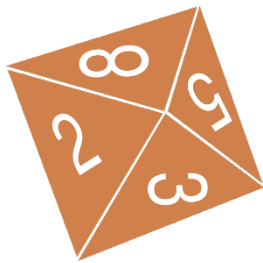
Ready for an art challenge that's as fun as it is creative? In this hands-on workshop, students will dive into the world of *recycled art* by transforming everyday items into stunning works of art! With a trunk full of non-traditional materials like bottle caps, spoons, seeds, buttons, non-repairable instruments and more, students will draft, plan, design and construct their own unique masterpiece. This workshop isn't just about making art—it's about thinking outside the box, experimenting with textures, mediums, shapes and volume, using problem-solving skills to turn "junk" into treasure.

Students will learn how to plan and design their projects from start to finish, figuring out how to best translate their ideas into visual art using unexpected materials.

Whether it's building a quirky sculpture, creating a detailed collage, or building something totally abstract, the possibilities are endless. Along the way, we'll explore sustainability, creativity, and



the importance of seeing potential in everything around us. By the end of the workshop, students will not only have a one-of-a-kind piece of art to take home but also a deeper appreciation for the creative process and the magic of reimagining everyday objects. Students must bring their own labeled lunch and drink.



**SMARTS All About Dungeons & Dragons, Grades 4-8  
(Dominic Adams & Rea Gaugler- Beuter B)**

Bring your friends and step into a world of dragons, magic, and limitless imagination in this exciting and interactive workshop all about *Dungeons & Dragons (D&D)*—a storytelling game where you become the hero of your own adventure.

In this hands-on D&D experience, you'll design your very own fantasy character, whether it's a brave ranger, a clever wizard, or a sneaky rogue. Then, with your team of fellow adventurers, you'll journey through thrilling imaginary worlds, solve challenging puzzles, battle fearsome monsters, and make choices that shape a story that's unique every time you play.



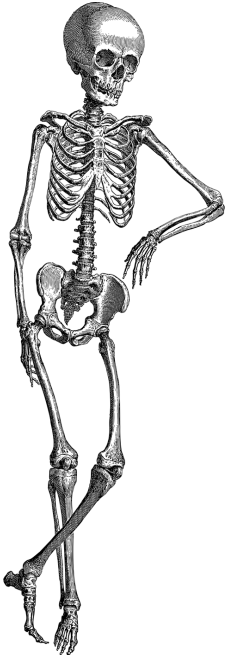
Take all you create into the art session to sculpt a mini-figurine of your character, build a map, or draw a scene from the story you construct.

Guiding each session are SMARTS Teachers who will serve as the Artist and Dungeon Master—the game's storyteller and leader—who help the group navigate every twist and turn of the adventure. No previous experience is needed, just creativity, curiosity, and a love of stories.

Roll the dice and let the adventure unfold! Students must bring their own labeled lunch and drink.

## Week #3

### July 14-18



#### SMARTS: Mastering Motion & The Human Form, Grades 6-12

(Rea Gaugler- Beuter B & Robert Kerr)

Explore the human body through both drawing and animation in this hands-on workshop. Students will master essential drawing techniques, including **gesture drawing**, **proportion grids**, and **anatomy fundamentals**, to create accurate and dynamic human figures.

The course also delves into the science of motion, teaching how to apply **anatomical principles** such as **muscle structure**, **skeletal form**, **joint movement**, and **body mechanics** to bring characters to life. Students will learn how these elements work together to create fluid, believable movement in both static drawings and animated sequences.

By the end of the course, students will be equipped with the skills to create precise, lifelike drawings and animations that convey motion, emotion, and story. Students must bring their own labeled lunch and drink.

#### Commedia dell SMARTE, Grades 4-12

(Kylee Pauley & Jeremiah Kibler)

Step into the vibrant world of **Commedia dell'Arte**, the lively, improvised Italian theater that thrived from the 16th to 18th century and still shapes comedy today. This workshop explores the roots of modern character archetypes, tracing them back to iconic figures like **Arlecchino (Harlequin)** and **Colombina**—the latter inspiring the elegant half-masks of masquerade balls.

Students will:

- **Design and create traditional masks** for characters like *Il Dottore*, *Pulcinella*, *Zanni*, and more.
- **Study the physical language** of Commedia through exaggerated movement, expressive posture, and comedic rhythm.
- **Discover how classic archetypes** continue to influence stories, characters, and performances in today's theater, film, and literature.



No previous theater experience required—just a sense of humor and a willingness to move! Come ready to learn, laugh, and embody some of the most legendary characters in theatrical history. Students must bring their own labeled lunch and drink.



### SMARTS Rhythm & Reel, Grades 6-12 (Margie Rapp & Sophia Menelle)

Love music and dance? Obsessed with the latest viral videos? This workshop is your backstage pass to the world of choreography! We'll watch some of the coolest dance videos, break down the moves, and figure out what makes them pop. Then it's your turn—pick your favorite song and create your own choreography. No dance experience needed—just bring your energy, creativity, and best vibes. At the end of the workshop, we'll show off our routines for friends and fellow dancers. Students must bring their own labeled lunch and drink.

### SMARTS Beautiful Places, Grades 6–12 (Willie Duck & Rachel Hritz)

Nature is all around us—majestic, peaceful, and full of wonder. In this workshop, all you need is a vivid memory or a photo of a place you never want to forget. We'll use landscapes to create visual “safe spaces”—artworks that capture feelings of calm, beauty, and inspiration.

You'll design your own breathtaking landscape, whether it's a real place or one imagined from memory. Think trees, water, flowers, mountains—everything we love about the natural world. Along the way, we'll explore different artistic styles and color themes, and practice turning life into art as we bring your vision to life. Students must bring their own labeled lunch and drink.



We strive to ensure you always have artistic opportunities to grow, thrive and be challenged. We hope you have a SMARTSASTIC summer!

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