

WESTSIDE COTTAGES 1616 W. BIJOU ST.

Summer 2025 (May - August)

Registration begins Monday, April 7th at 8 a.m.

- **By Phone:** (719) 955-3400 or (719) 209-1717 **On-line:** csseniorcenter.com
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In person: Westside Cottages (1616 W. Bijou St.) Mon-Fri, 8:00-4:00 p.m. Downtown YMCA (207 N. Nevada Ave.) Mon-Fri, 8:00-4:00 p.m.

All classes require registration and are subject to cancellation or change.

ART

Class Name	Description	Instructor	Date	Day	Time	Cost
Simple Perspective Drawing	Perspective is the interpretation of objects going back into space on a flat surface. Students will learn basic one, two, and (if time allows) three point perspective. Aerial perspective, visual interpretation, and some shading/ highlighting will be discussed and/or applied. Application of these perspectives in different mediums will also be covered. Students should bring a 18-24" ruler (cork backed is best), pencil, eraser, and a 90 degree triangle (If you have it.) Drawing paper, backing paper, masking tape, and some 90 degree triangles will be provided.	Theresa	May 5 - May 19 Jul 7 - Jul 28	M M	9:00 -11:30 9:00 -11:30	\$35 \$45
Crochet Fun	This course is an introduction to crocheting or a great review if you haven't done it in a while. You will learn how to crochet a pot holder, wash cloth, or scarf, hand mitts or an amigurumi animal plus some fancy stitches.	Jenna	May 5 - Jun 16	М	12:30 -2:30	\$40
Discover the Magic! Watercolor for Beginners	No experience necessary to learn a successful, repeatable process that is easily built upon. A fun, exciting class to learn about supplies, color & mixing, the tea/milk/honey process, brushwork & shape making. Please email or call the Senior Center for a supply list to bring the first day!	Kim	May 6 - Jun 3	Т	9:00 -11:30	\$55
Intermediate Watercolor	This class will introduce students to various techniques such as wet in wet, dry brush, gradated washes, soft/hard edges, lifting, and masking. Students will be appplying these techniques to complete images. Some presentation and finishing suggestions will be taught as well.	Theresa	May 6 - Jun 3 Jul 8 - Aug 5	T T	12:30 - 3:00 12:30 - 3:00	\$55 \$55
Draw Like You Paint and Paint Like you Draw	In this drawing class we will focus on how to best serve painters of all media. Often artists learn two separate methods drawing and then they learn to paint in their chosen media (Oil, Gouache, Pastel, Watercolor etc). We will learn only one system that will guide us through the stages of idea, thumbnail, value strengthening composition, layout, all the way through to final painting. This super fun and efficient methodology is one of the best consolidated artistic skill classes for emerging artists I am aware of. Please sign up early as space is limited to only 16 students.	Steve	May 7 - Jun 4 Jul 9 - Aug 6	W W	9:00 - 11:30 9:00 - 11:30	\$55 \$55
Painting Gouache-The Other Water Media	Gouache is a fantastic medium that offers the vibrancy of acrylics; in addition you'll have the re-wettability of watercolors. This class will serve as a comprehensive guide to get you started with gouache painting, Gouache, pronounced gwash, is an opaque watercolor paint. It's made from natural pigment, water, a nonfood grade binder and uses no toxic solvents. Unlike traditional watercolors, gouache has larger pigment particles and a higher pigment-to-binder ratio, making it more opaque and reflective. This media can render similar results as an oil painting with the ease and simplicity of water only clean up. This is a great pre-step to painting in oils or transitioning from acrylic to watercolor. It's completely safe, fast drying and extremely fun while giving you a quick payout of a highly desirable painting.	Steve	May 7 - Jun 4 Jul 9 - Aug 6	W W	12:30 - 3:00 12:30 - 3:00	\$55 \$55
Textures and Reflections in Watercolor	Learn the steps and techniques involved in creating special effects in watercolor.	Darcy	May 8 - Jun 12	Th	9:00 -11:00	\$55
Nature Journaling	Love nature? Fascinated by the natural world around us? Follow in the footsteps of the great artists and learn how to create a nature journal of observations, written text and just plain beautiful art.	Darcy	May 8 - Jun 12	Th	1:00 - 3:00	\$55
Indiginous Art	Covered in this fast paced art will be the art of cultures from all over the world, including Native American, African and European Asian art. Techniques and materials will be explored as well as their influence on present day art.	Darcy	May 9 - Jun 13	F	9:00 - 11:00	\$55

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Pyrography	Learn the art of pyrography, the art or technique of decorating wood by burning a design on the surface with a heated metallic point. Class fee includes materials. **Please bring your own woodburner**	Dan	Jun 2 - Jun 23	М	9:00 - 11:30	\$60
Textile Mixed Media	This course will explore the wonderful world of fiber art. From knitting and crochet to embroidery, painting on fabric, adding beads and ribbon come explore the possibilities. Projects will include textile embellishments to clothing and knitted works.	Jenna	Jul 7 - Aug 11	М	12:30-2:30	\$40
More Magic! Continuing Watercolor for Beginners	Review basic skills and dive into value, aerial perspective, texture and experimenting with watercolor to build a base of knowledge. Please email or call the Senior Center for supply list of what to bring to first class.	Kim	Jul 8 - Aug 5	Т	9:00 - 11:30	\$55
Sky and Weather Effects	The most challenging and spectacular ingredient in landscape is often in capturing the clouds, skies and lighting. This class will cover the techniques valuable in achieving these sometimes subtle or dramatic effects.	Darcy	Jul 10 - Aug 14	Th	9:00-11:00	\$55
Expressive Portrature	This class will help the artist to analyze and create express likenesses and personalities.	Darcy	Jul 10 - Aug 14	Th	1:00-3:00	\$55
Birds in Motion	Flying/swimming or running, we will be exploring the wonderful world of our feathered friends.	Darcy	Jul 11 - Aug 15	F	9:00 - 11:00	\$55

COMMUNITY-DAY TRIPS

All Day Trips will meet at the Armed Forces YMCA Parking Lot for the Bus!!

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Forest Bathing	Forest bathing is the practice of immersing yourself in nature. Awaken your senses through a series of guided invitations for interacting with nature. Join Serena Vogel, MA, Certified Nature and Forest Therapy Guide for a two- hour guided forest therapy walk in North Shooks Run Park. Please Register by 12 p.m. the Friday prior to the walk.	Serena	May 3 Jun 7 Jul 5 Aug 2	Sa Sa Sa Sa	8:30-10:30 8:30-10:30 8:30-10:30 8:30-10:30	\$8 \$8 \$8 \$8	
Colorado Rockies vs SF Giants	The Colorado Rockies vs. San Francisco Giants baseball game is an exciting matchup that brings together two competitive teams from the National League. Fans flock to Coors Field in Denver to watch the Rockies, known for their powerful offense and high-altitude home field.	Tom	Jun 12	Th	10:00 - 6:00	\$65	
Denver Museum of Nature and Science + Planetarium	The museum showcases fascinating exhibits on everything from ancient dinosaurs to space exploration, and features hands-on activities that engage visitors in science and discovery. A highlight is the planetarium, where you can embark on a captivating journey through the cosmos with immersive shows. There are Cafes in the Museum where you can purchase lunch.	Staff	Jun 19	Th	9:00 - 4:00	\$60	
	The Denver Aquarium features over 500 species of aquatic						

life, from colorful fish to majestic sharks, all housed in impressive, life-like exhibits. The aquarium also offers interactive experiences, including a touch tank and a 4D Theater. There are cafe's there to purchase lunch.	Staff	Jul 10	Th	9:00 - 4:00	\$70
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