

2026 SUMMER ART CAMP SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery (KWAG) is committed to providing excellent programming experiences for all individuals. To make these experiences as accessible as possible, KWAG manages funds to assist youth in meeting the expense of our camp programs in the form of Summer Art Camp Scholarships. These scholarships are funded by the Lyle S. Hallman Foundation Kids to Camp Fund. Applications for scholarships are individually reviewed by KWAG staff and are awarded based on a combination of socioeconomic factors. Applicants from equity-deserving groups will be prioritised, including 2SLGBTQIA+, racialized, BIPOC, disabled, and newcomer lived experiences.

You may qualify for a Summer Art Camp Scholarship if one or more of the following apply:

- Applicant is between 6-12 years of age (at the start of camp), and permanently resides in Canada (preferably within Waterloo Region)
- The family of the applicant is currently experiencing financial hardship or is supported by social assistance

Please note that all scholarship forms and application information will be kept strictly confidential.

If you have any questions regarding our scholarship program or Summer Art Camp, please contact Hannah Braithwaite at camp@kwag.on.ca.

To Apply:

1. Submit a separate application form for each applicant
2. Complete all portions of the attached form (incomplete forms will not be assessed)
3. Submit completed form by email to camp@kwag.on.ca, or mail the form to us at: Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery
ATTN: Hannah Braithwaite 101 Queen Street North Kitchener, ON N2H 6P7

Application Timeline

Any application (either digital by email or physical by postal services) must be received **at least one week** before the start date of any camp to be considered. Applications will be available until they are filled. **Applicants will be notified of the status of their application as soon as possible.**

If your application has been approved, you will be contacted with a code to register your camper online for your approved week of camp. Please reach out if you have any questions.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Child's Full Name: Age:

Parent/Guardian Full Name: Phone #:

Email for Parent/Guardian:

Financial Information:

What is your annual household income (please check most applicable):

- Under \$20,000 \$20,000 - \$35,000 \$35,000 - \$50,000 \$50,000 - \$65,000 Over \$65,000

Number of people in family/household:

Please briefly describe the situation that necessitates your request for financial assistance:

2026 SUMMER ART CAMP - 6 JULY TO 21 AUGUST

Ages 6-13 • 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. • Drop-off between 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. • Pick-up between 4:00 to 4:15 p.m.

Extended Care: 4:15 to 5:00 p.m. (\$50/Week) Camp scholarship does not cover the cost of extended care. If you require extended care and cost is a barrier, please reach out to Hannah at camp@kwag.on.ca.

Check the box(es) below to indicate what week(s) you are interested in:

- Week 1: Cultural Creations** • Monday, 6 July to Friday, 10 July
Travel the world through art! This week, campers will explore how different cultures use materials and techniques to tell stories and sustain traditions. Working with textiles, natural materials, and a variety of specialized techniques, they'll create meaningful artworks inspired by both global and local art practices.
- Week 2: All About Art!** • Monday, 13 July to Friday, 17 July
From painting to printmaking, assemblage sculpture to collage, this week is all about exploring materials, methods, and history of art. Campers will try a wide range of techniques and discover new ways to combine them into exciting mixed-media artworks.
- Week 3: Eco Art Adventures** • Monday, 20 July to Friday, 24 July
Care for the planet through creativity! Campers will explore how art connects to the environment by using low-waste processes, natural materials, and upcycled objects. Through a variety of projects, they'll learn how artistic processes can reflect appreciation for the land and environmental sustainability.
- Week 4: Scaled Up!** • Monday, 27 July to Friday, 31 July
Think big and build boldly! Campers will experiment with the foundations of sculpture, including scale, structure, materials, and modularity, through 3D artworks. Using techniques like casting, assemblage, relief, and modeling, they'll explore different ways to bring their ideas into three dimensions.
- Week 5: Science in the Studio!** • Tuesday, 4 August to Friday, 7 August
*Note that this is a 4-day week due to the Civic Holiday on Monday, 3 August
Get ready to experiment! This week blends art and science through hands-on projects like cyanotypes and making ink from natural materials. Campers will explore how curiosity, chemistry, and creativity come together in the studio.
- Week 6: Stories in Art** • Monday, 10 August to Friday, 14 August
Campers will use art to tell their own stories and imagine new ones! Through drawing, collage, printmaking, and simple book-making techniques, they'll create visual narratives inspired by personal experiences and imaginary worlds.
- Week 7: Art That Works!** • Monday, 17 August to Friday, 21 August
Campers will explore the exciting connections between art and design by creating one-of-a-kind objects that are both creative and useful. Using 2D and 3D processes like printmaking, bookbinding, sewing, and architectural modeling, they'll discover how form and function can work together.