

# Arts *for* All

## KENTUCKY

### Seasonal Newsletter

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#### ***Flying My Kite***

collage on paper

Hamenyimana Maranata

Willkerson Elementary, Louisville, KY

STE 2025

#### Image Description:

"Flying My Kite" is a collage on white paper by Hamenyimana Maranata, a 1st grader at Willkerson Elementary. This piece features a drawing of a bright eyed and smiling child in a yellow shirt and purple pants, lifted off the ground by a purple kite. It's a sunny day, the tree is green and flowers are in bloom in front of a house. Bits of fabric on the kite, textured paper on the roof, and dimensional eyes add texture.

### THE DOG DAYS OF SUMMER

#### Highlights in this Newsletter Include:

- **ARTS ACCESS for SCHOOLS**  
RECEIVING APPLICATIONS
- **Traveling Exhibit** CALL FOR  
ENTRIES -- Oct. 20
- **ADULT PROGRAMS**
- T-SHIRT CONTEST Deadline  
extended to Sept.30th!
- Upcoming Outreach



**Bring us to your school or  
community organization!**

**LEARN MORE ABOUT  
YOUTH PROGRAMS HERE:**

**•ARTS ACCESS FOR SCHOOLS**

Now is the time to plan for the school year by bringing a guest artist, musician, or storyteller to your school through this program. Applications have rolling deadlines and we will help you to figure out what works.

**•SIDE BY SIDE**

This program is hosted at your school, community center, arts organization or local library.

**•ARTS ACCESS for COMMUNITY**

Offer an after school program, Arts Festival or Camp for your kids or adults

**visit [artsforallky.org](http://artsforallky.org)**

**AREN'T SURE WHICH PROGRAM WORKS FOR YOU?**

**Contact Catie Bates Robertson at phone: 270-792-0023  
or email: [programs@artsforallky.org](mailto:programs@artsforallky.org) with your questions.**

***Rolling deadlines for applications!***



**CONGRATULATIONS  
to the following Access/VSA Program Sites:**

**Brave Spirits  
Butler County High School  
Camp Happy Days/Bowling Green Parks & Recreation  
Campton Elementary  
Clay County High School  
Down Syndrome Louisville  
Dreams with Wings  
Dupont Manual-Youth Performing Art School  
Fairdale Elementary**



Flat Gap Elementary  
Flat Lick Elementary  
Gilda's Club Kentuckiana  
Graves County Central Elementary  
Sims Studio/Hart County  
Jody Richards Elementary  
Kentucky Museum  
Kentucky Riverkeepers  
Kidz Club - Bowling Green  
Kidz Club - Lexington  
Lewis County Central  
Lincoln Elementary Performing Arts School  
Luhr Elementary  
Murray Elementary  
North Bullitt High  
Ohio County Middle  
Oldham Arts Center  
Olmstead Elementary  
Phillip Sharp Middle School  
Wallins Creek Elementary  
Wilkerson Elementary

## **Access/VSA** International Network

*A Jean Kennedy Smith Arts and Disability Program*

**Program Site 2026**



**Arts Access Storytelling Program at Mt. Vernon  
Elementary with Arts for All Teaching Artist,**



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## T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST

**EXTENDED DEADLINE –SEPTEMBER 30, 2026**

Celebrate the creativity of people with disabilities and  
promote *Arts for All Kentucky*

### WHO CAN ENTER:

Two categories:

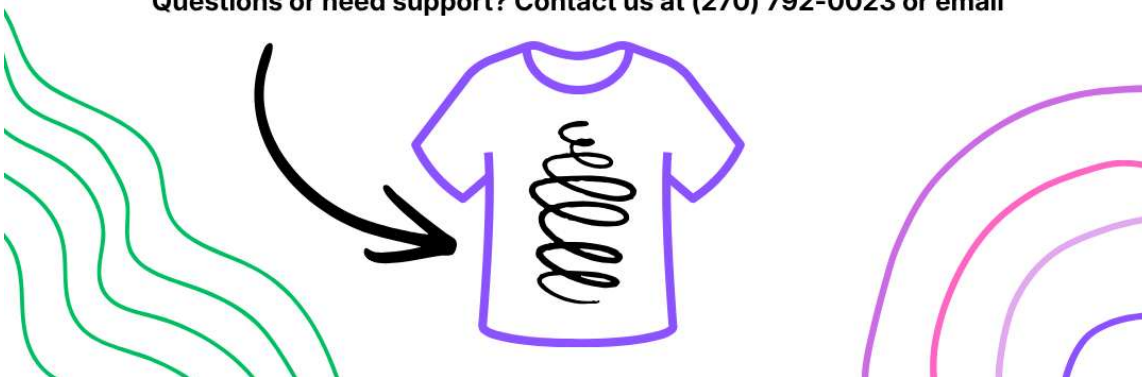
- Youth with disabilities
- Adults (18+) with disabilities

***Artists must reside in Kentucky***

### HOW TO ENTER:

- Submit images in JPEG, PNG, or PDF format
- Artwork should use a maximum of 5 colors for easier printing
- Email digital image submissions to: **[programs@artsforallky.org](mailto:programs@artsforallky.org)**

**Questions or need support? Contact us at (270) 792-0023 or email**



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## ANNUAL STUDENT TRAVELING EXHIBIT

DEADLINE OCTOBER 20, 2026

Download the current ENTRY FORM below

# CALL FOR ENTRIES

A Matter of Perspective

## 2027 STUDENT TRAVELING EXHIBITION

ENTRY FORM AVAILABLE AT  
[ARTSFORALLKY.ORG](http://ARTSFORALLKY.ORG) WEBSITE  
ENTRIES ARE FREE OF CHARGE

*YOU CAN ALSO REGISTER TO  
BE AN EXHIBIT HOST!*

**DEADLINE: OCTOBER 20, 2026**

Arts for All Kentucky is extending a Call for Art to students with disabilities in Kentucky schools, grades K-12. Selected 2-D artwork will be included in the Traveling Student Art Exhibit. Our goal is to recognize the accomplishments of students in the visual arts and to share them throughout the state. Teachers (including home school) or parents can submit work.



# ART



More Information:  
<https://artsforallky.org/programs/student-traveling-art-exhibition/>



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Office of Special Education & Early Learning

**Arts for All**  
KENTUCKY



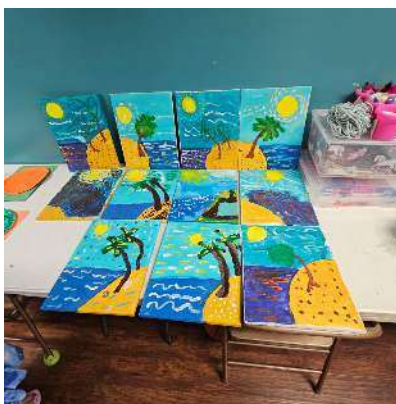
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## ADULT PROGRAMS



*3 images left to right. Far left is of two people seated at a table painting a yellow daffodil flower onto a canvas.*

*Middle image is a table full of artwork depicting a beach scene. There are multiple canvases on the table. The far right photo is of a people seated at tables with various art supplies working on an art project.*

Arts for All Kentucky offers inclusive arts experiences designed for adults of all abilities 18 years or older. Whether you are exploring art for the first time or building on existing skills, our programs provide a welcoming and supportive environment to create. Our workshops are designed for all abilities, with no prior experience required.

Participants are guided step-by-step by a skilled teaching artist to create their own artwork using acrylic or mixed media. These sessions focus on creativity, self-expression, and enjoyment in a relaxed setting. Our teaching artists introduce foundational art concepts and techniques while adapting instruction to support a wide range of learning styles and abilities.

Classes can be customized for community centers, residential programs, day programs, and other adult-serving organizations.

- One-hour sessions
- Designed for all abilities



- Flexible group sizes
- All supplies provided
- We bring the studio to your facility

**To schedule a workshop or class:**

**☎ Call: 270-792-0023**

**Sonja Byrd, Programs Assistant**

**✉ Email: [sonja@artsforallky.org](mailto:sonja@artsforallky.org)**

## **OUTREACH**



ID: Lady sitting at the table with Arts for All Kentucky information spread out on the table. A large Arts for All KY banner stands beside her.

Upcoming Events where will be tabling:

- **RICHMOND--September 11, 3:30 pm -- KY Autism Caregiver Summit** (Registration closes Aug. 28)
- **LOUISVILLE--October 23, 3-7 pm -- Unbound: An Inclusive Art & Craft Fair.**  
Hosted by Hazelwood Center Community Homes at Beula Presbyterian Church, 6704 Bardstown Rd.
- **LEXINGTON -- November 7--Kentucky Art Educator's State Conference**
- **LOUISVILLE -- November 22-23 -- KY Council for Exceptional Children's Conference**

## ***Arts for All Kentucky***

### **NOW ACCEPTING BOARD POSITIONS**

If you are passionate about the arts or  
an advocate for folks with disabilities or BOTH,  
the Arts for All Board of Directors might be a  
good fit for you! Apply at link

*questions? contact us*



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**Arts for All KY Board Application**

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## KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS

Arts for All Kentucky is part of the Kroger Community Rewards program now. Through this program, Kroger donates a portion of purchases to nonprofit organizations.

To Use the Kroger Community Rewards Program: Visit <http://www.kroger.com>. Once logged into your Kroger account you can search for ARTS FOR ALL KENTUCKY either by name or SG327 and then click Enroll. New users will need to create an account which requires some basic information, a valid email address and a rewards card.



# THANK YOU!



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## FS FOUNDATION



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BOWLING GREEN, KY







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