

GallupARTS announces monthly free family art kits July through December

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GallupARTS is excited to announce a new initiative: monthly Free Family Art Kits. With summer camps canceled and extended school closures on the horizon, GallupARTS will be serving up art education, creativity and family fun.

Starting July 18, and continuing on first Saturdays through December, GallupARTS will be giving out free family art kits complete with all the necessary supplies and step-by-step instructions for one or more projects. Kits will be available for pickup on a first-come-first-served basis at ART123 Gallery from 12 – 4 pm on designated Saturdays.

Additionally, instructional videos will accompany each kit and will be posted on the GallupARTS Instagram and Facebook pages, on the ART123 Gallery Facebook page and at galluparts.org/familyartkits.

Funding for this six-month program is provided by the WESTAF CARES Relief Fund for Organizations and supported by the National Endowment for the Arts through the CARES Act of 2020.

July 18: Salt Painting Kit

Learn how to create a sandpainting-esque artwork using glue, salt and watercolor paint. Then, let your creativity shine! Create landscapes, abstracts, still lifes—whatever you can imagine.

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August 1: Spin a Yarn Kit

Create turtles, butterflies or animals of your own invention from colorful yarn and popsicle sticks.

September 5: Harvest Time Kit

Make jumbo paper flowers and rain-sticks from recycled materials, tissue paper, and beads.

October 3: Happy Halloween Kit

What creature can you turn a paper plate into with just scissors, markers and glue? A lion, an alien, a ladybug, a cow? Make your own mask and also sculpt and paint a silly or scary clay monster.

November 7: Pipe Cleaner Magic Kit

Discover the magic of pipe cleaners. Twist them into beautiful beaded ears of corn and flower rings.

December 5: Winter Fun Kit

In honor of Gallup's Balloon Rally, learn origami and make a hot air balloon. Also create a one-of-a-kind collaged holiday card to send to a loved one. Youth and families are encouraged to share pictures of their creations with GallupARTS on social media.

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