

ART CONNECTIONS

FOR SCHOOL GROUPS



Have you and your students ever wanted to know the why of art? Dive deep into the history, science, and technology of creativity with Art Connections! Stimulate young minds to get excited about museums as places of lifelong learning!

Art Connections is a new Art for Children and Youth program at the Gadsden Arts Center & Museum that makes museums more approachable to students through interdisciplinary outreach in local area schools. A museum educator will visit with students in the classroom in a two part lesson that delivers an exhibition-based, standards-correlated activity that connects with the major exhibit on display. This program uses creative art projects to bring all subjects to life and prepares students for their visit to see the art in person.

IN-CLASS ACTIVITY

The museum educator will work with students in the classroom to help prepare them for their art instruction. This is done through familiarizing students with the content and themes of the art, introducing them to the artist, and how the artwork connects to other important areas of life and their educational experience.



VISIT TO THE MUSEUM

Enjoy a **FREE** guided tour of our current main exhibit on display. Each group will talk about the art and artist(s). **Allow 2 weeks to schedule.** Students will visit the museum on a field trip that will reinforce the learning in the classroom, experiencing the original art in person. The tour will also include an opportunity to engage in another hands-on art making experience that connects directly with the major exhibition and the classroom learning.



For Interest in the Program, Contact

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FREE FAMILY SATURDAYS

FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

We strongly believe that when schools, communities, and families work together to support learning, children succeed in school and throughout life. Gadsden Center for the Arts & Museum offers Free Family programming every Saturday.

ARTZONE

Every Saturday, 10 am - 4:30 pm

Closed for lunch from 1 pm - 1:30 pm

The ArtZone is a FREE drop-in art studio that is open to the public for visitors of all ages to come in and get creative! Each month features exciting special projects inspired by our current exhibitions. Come explore painting, printmaking, drawing, collage, & so much more. An educator is on site to help with the projects!

VISUAL TREASURE HUNT

Come and see if you can find all of the artwork located on our visual treasure hunt! Once completed, stop by Visitor Services to collect a prize!

FREE ART AT HOME KIT

Take home one of our Free Art at Home Kits to continue your art making journey!

THE READING CORNER

Presented by the National Hook-Up of Black Women – Gadsden Chapter (NHBW), and the Gadsden Arts Center & Museum, this Reading Corner is an important component of NHBW's "Reading For Life" initiative which provides free reading materials to children and families in Gadsden County. Visit the Reading Corner on Saturdays to enjoy reading with your child, and take home one free book!

Free Family Saturdays are presented by **Centennial Bank**, with support from the **Jacarlene Foundation**, and in partnership with the **National Hookup of Black Women – Gadsden**.

Art for Children & Youth programs are made possible by our Art for Children Donors, sponsors **Patsy and Mark Bates** and **Sunnyside Farm Management**. Art @ Home Kits are sponsored by **TDS Telecom**.



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FIELD TRIPS

Enjoy a **FREE** guided tour. Each group will talk about art and artists, and enjoy the opportunity to make something creative. All field trips for grades 1-4 include a reading component. **Allow 2 weeks to schedule.**

ART-MAKING ACTIVITY

Gadsden Arts Center & Museum will provide all art supplies for a fun art project connected with the exhibitions on view. Students will be guided step-by-step through the art project, and will be able to take home their works at the end of the field trip!

Option 1: Exhibition tour only, we recommend a 45-minute time slot

Option 2: Tour plus art activity, we recommend 60- 90 minute time slot

FALL 2026 MAJOR EXHIBITION

AMERICA'S EVERGLADES: THROUGH THE LENS OF CLYDE BUTCHER

September 25 – December 12, 2026

Clyde Butcher is one of America's foremost landscape photographers and a leading voice for environmental conservation in Florida. His accolades include the National Medal of Arts in 2022, the highest honor given to artists and arts patrons by the United States government, and Florida Artists Hall of Fame recognition in 1998, the highest honor given to an artist by the State of Florida.

Through his monumental images of the Florida Everglades, Butcher captures the quiet beauty, mystery, and resilience of one of the nation's most treasured natural landscapes. His photographs reveal the delicate balance of life within this vast wilderness, inspiring viewers to reflect on the importance of preservation and the enduring relationship between humanity and nature.

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Clyde Butcher

Indian Key Pass #5

1997

silver gelatin print 6/15

52" x 76"

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