



Art Course Introduction

The learning aims and goals in the Art department at Willows Prep follow the strong foundation set forth within the IB MYP Art program. We believe it is essential for our students to:

- Create and present art
- Develop skills to the discipline
- Engage in a process of creative exploration and (self-)discovery
- Make purposeful connections between investigation and practice
- Understand the relationship between art and its contexts
- Respond to and reflect on art
- Deepen their understanding of the world

Learning to express themselves through visual methods helps students to develop a sense of identity, individuality, and voice. Students will be provided with a strong foundation in the arts by studying art concepts, processes, and terminology. With a rooted foundation in the arts, students will be able to think creatively and develop the skills and techniques to create, perform, and/or present art. During the art making process, students will learn how to respond, reflect, and critique artwork of their own and others. Exploring the arts gives us the ability to bring together concepts, methods, and modes of communication from other subject groups and disciplines. Students will connect disciplines to solve real world problems and address complex issues from an artistic perspective.