



2025 Summer Camp FAQ

The Basics

- **Registrations Open**
 - Feb 10th for Members
 - Feb 17th for the Public
- **Tuition Assistance**
 - Applications Open: March 3rd
 - Applications Close: May 12th
 - Notifications Sent Out: May 23rd
- **Camps**
 - 8-9 Youth Art + Movement Camps (6-11 years)
 - 13 Teen Camps (12-18 years) including 5 online camps!
 - 3 Teen Intensives
- **Camp Dates and Times**
 - Camps start June 30th
 - Camps end August 28th
 - No class July 4th, that week of camp ends July 3rd
 - Camps run from 9:30am to 3:30pm
 - Creative Care (before and after care) 8am-9:30am & 3:30pm-5pm
 - Monday – Friday AM (No after care Friday afternoons)

Frequently Asked Questions

Where are the camps located?

- We will be running our camps from our location in South Lake Union at 2107 Westlake Ave. We have free parking in the nearby garage for parents and will also have staff to escort students who are getting dropped off at the curb.
- We also are partnering with some local museums to provide a unique creative environment for our students!

How do your camps and intensives work?

- Our weekly Kids summer camps are split into two parts, Art and Movement with separate instructors for each part. Campers are also split by age to create a more cohesive learning environment. We take 2 snack breaks and a longer break for lunch.
- Our Teen Intensives are multi-week camps and run all day with a break for lunch. The students work closely with the instructor to build a plan for their studio time that includes active instruction, live drawing, and studio time.
- Regular Teen camps are weeklong camps in various subjects. They can be full days or half days, in-person or online. Full day camps will break halfway through the day for lunch.

When can we come see the art? Is there an event on Friday for parents/guardians?

- The last session of each camp, students will share out what they have been up to called out Friday Showcase.
- Kids Camps – join us at 3:00pm to see an exhibition of created artworks as well as a performance from the movement class.
- Teen Camps – join us at 3:15 to see an exhibition of created artworks and celebrate all the hard work your student has put in!

Is there childcare before or after the camp times?

- We provide an art-based aftercare program called Creative Care for students aged 6-11. It runs from 8am to 9:30am and from 3:30pm to 5pm Monday–Friday AM. There is no aftercare on Friday afternoons. You can enroll for one day at a time or for the entire week your student is in camp.

Will you have the same instructors as last year?

- We will have a lot of friendly faces returning from previous years at Gage! Popular camps from last year may return remixed for 2025!

Are art supplies included?

- Yes! All art supplies and materials are covered in the cost of the camp!

What do I need to bring?

- Lunch and other snacks for your student to have throughout the day.
- We are a closed campus; teens will not be able to leave to get lunch on their own.
- A water bottle! We have water fountains to refill as needed.
- Appropriate clothing – it is likely your student will get paint/charcoal/other materials on their clothing
- Younger students – please consider a change of clothes. Helpful for a plethora of reasons beyond just bathroom accidents
- Please try NOT to bring favorite items from home or special art supplies as it can cause distractions for the classroom.
- Any necessary medications your camper may need, such as an EpiPen or Inhaler – all Instructors and TAs are certified in First Aid & CPR

Weather concerns and camps?

- Hot out? We now have AC and can help keep campers cool, if temperatures are high, lunch may be taken inside to keep campers cool.
- Smoke? We have a robust HVAC system in the new building. If conditions are poor due to air quality, lunch will be taken inside.
- Raining? We may have lunch inside to keep campers dry.

I have more questions, who should I talk to?

Our Youth Programs Manager Heather Ormsbee (ormsbee.h@gageacademy.org), Youth Program Coordinator Kathryn Jones (jones.k@gageacademy.org) and our Registrar Simone Dunye (dunye.s@gageacademy.org) are available to help you with any questions you have about youth classes and summer camp at Gage!