

Being an Artist

A Cubism and Collage Experience

Arts Enrichment for Grades 7-10

Open Students' eyes and minds with the study of great artists and techniques!

Visual literacy, cultural enrichment, history, and creativity come alive in *Being an Artist*, a course designed for any instructor to introduce after-school students to one of the most exciting art forms of our times, collage!

In this stimulating hands-on series, students not only learn the art of collage by studying such artists as Pablo Picasso and Romare Bearden, they also experiment with such elementary art concepts as line, shape, and texture. Throughout the course, students explore a non-intimidating method of “drawing with scissors” and building images with torn paper. During each lesson, student artists learn the elements of design by creating their own masterpieces that reflect techniques of the masters.

Each lesson in the instructor’s guide highlights different elements of collage with detailed examples. All materials are provided in the *Being an Artist* Course Kit, which includes enticing papers and large color prints of masterworks for your students to study. Further, students explore figurative collage, still life, photomontage, and other dimensions of “the artist’s life.” Course lessons also introduce students to ethical art criticism, a mock “gallery opening,” and the preparation of art for display.

Instructors are supported in every lesson with extensive notes for both the instructor and students about each activity, including the historical and cultural contexts for each project. Vocabulary is clearly defined and step-by-step instructions facilitate any instructor’s ability to motivate and engage students.

Anyone Can Teach *Being an Artist*

Created for the non-specialist instructor, lessons in the *Being an Artist* Course Kit are easy to plan, understand, and deliver. Each lesson, designed to run approximately one hour, is thoroughly outlined for the instructor in our easy-to-follow Instructor’s Guide. The Guide provides step-by-step directions for working with students and includes background information, materials lists, demonstration details, and a list of exciting Web sites and links instructors can use to extend and enhance their lessons. Anyone motivated to engage students in this exciting program can teach *Being an Artist*.



Being an Artist encourages students to:

- Understand the origin of collage
- Learn about Picasso, Braque and other key collage artists
- View the masterworks
- Work with new materials and techniques
- “draw with scissors”
- Create still life and figurative collages
- Practice constructive criticism



Our Course Kits Include Everything You Need!



Instructors find plenty of help in the Being an Artist Course Kit, including a straightforward Instructor's Guide, fun and enriching Student Activity Books, and handy Course Kit Materials, all conveniently packaged in well-marked lesson packs—and clearly itemized for quick pre-lesson set-up. There are enough materials in every Course Kit to supply a class of twenty students!

Packed in easy-to-manage suitcase boxes, these convenient carryalls are lightweight and easy to store.

Course Kit includes:
2 Instructor's Guides – Covering 12 Units
20 Student Activity Books
Training Tips
Student Recruitment Materials
Supplies for 20 Students
Product Number: BAA700, \$1295.
Re-supply Kit: BAA700RS, \$349.
Quantity discounts available.

For more information, please call

877-347-0461

or visit our Web site at

www.CommLearning.com

How It Works

This Course Kit leads instructors through a well-designed enrichment experience for their classes. The Instructor's Guide outlines set-up procedures, background information, daily materials lists, and a pacing plan for each activity. All supplies are provided in the Course Kit, so your instructors only need bring their energy and enthusiasm. Daily plans have already been created and assembled for immediate use!

Why It Works

Thematic integration is what makes Community Learning courses work—youngsters get extended engagement over several days or weeks that builds their confidence, their character, and their competency in a variety of subject areas. With an emphasis on fun, Community Learning courses work to ignite curiosity and stimulate authentic learning in contexts ranging from criminal investigation to art. Instructors provide guidance in every lesson and are supported by step-by-step plans and easy-to-manage materials.

Where It Works

No specialist knowledge is required to get these fun activities off the ground! Not only are Community Learning courses designed to enrich after-school programs, they're also ideal for museum groups, scout troops, home schooling, summer and vacation camps, church youth groups, and anywhere else young people are gathered!

About Community Learning

Community Learning provides academically rich programming for schools and community centers. Programs are provided through thematic Course Kits designed to support and assist program directors and staff. Our topics include new approaches to Art, Music, and Science, all designed to immerse children in fun learning, to gain practical hands-on experience, and to introduce exciting career possibilities!

