

THE WATCHUNG ARTS CENTER

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Children's Art Workshops at the Watchung Arts Center

December 11, 2015 (Watchung, NJ) – The Winter session of the Watchung Arts Center's Children's Drawing and Painting Enrichment Workshop program, for children ages 6-12, will begin on Tuesday, January 5, 2016. Painting classes will be held on Tuesdays from 4:30 to 6PM, with Drawing on Thursdays during those same hours. The 10-week program will run through March 10. An 8-week spring session is scheduled to begin March 22. The full schedule can be found at www.watchungarts.org/Classes.htm.

The long-running program, which was listed in the March 2015 issue of **New Jersey Family Magazine** among "**The Best Art Classes in New Jersey**" is taught by art instructor Monica Schraiber Otero. Ms. Otero has taught Art at elementary and high school levels since 1991. She received her BA in Art from Rutgers University, Newark College of Arts and Sciences with a concentration in oil painting. In addition to teaching the Drawing and Painting classes at the WAC, she is the Director of the Summer Art Camp, and curates the Children's Juried Art Exhibition each year. She is a professional artist who shows her work in many venues throughout NJ. She is a member of AENJ (Art Educators of NJ) and the Contemporary Art Group.

In the **Drawing Enrichment Workshop**, young artists develop their natural ability, improve skills and explore new techniques as they learn the fundamentals of drawing. Students will use dry and wet media such as pencil, charcoal, oil or chalk pastels, India ink and watercolors as they discover how to sketch, shade and use perspective.

Students in the **Painting Enrichment Workshop** create realistic pieces or let their imaginations go as they learn how to use non-toxic acrylics on canvas boards. Young artists will produce colorful works as they learn the basics of traditional technique of painting, composition and the color wheel.

The Watchung Arts Center, located at 18 Stirling Road in Watchung on the Watchung Circle, is a multi-disciplinary arts facility serving Watchung, the surrounding communities and the Tri-State Area. To obtain more information about upcoming performances, classes and workshops, and monthly art exhibitions, please visit WatchungArts.org or call 908-753-0190.

Registration Form: [http://www.watchungarts.org/Docs/2015-2016 Children's Art Program.pdf](http://www.watchungarts.org/Docs/2015-2016%20Children's%20Art%20Program.pdf)