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**RICHMOND  
ART CENTER**

**SUMMER 2026**

June - August



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## **SPONSOR OUR 90TH ANNIVERSARY**

As a sponsor of our 90th Anniversary, your support goes beyond celebrating a milestone. It advances our mission of arts education for youth and adults, and ensures Richmond Art Center continues as a vital public institution where everyone can see, make, and enjoy art.



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Image: Spring Family Day, April 2026

### **A Message from our Interim Executive Director**

Dear Members and Friends,

I recently represented Richmond Art Center at the California for the Arts Summit in Sacramento. The theme, "Art, Resistance, and the Long Arc of Justice," was truly inspiring and motivating. It is the 50th Anniversary of the California Arts Council (CAC), and we are advocating for an increase in CAC funding to \$50 million. Please contact your state senator and assembly member to support this effort.

Looking ahead to summer:

- Enrollment is open for summer classes. Spaces are filling quickly. Browse this catalog and reserve your spot.
- The Annual Members' Meeting will take place on Saturday, June 27, 12pm-1pm. Meet Richmond Art Center leadership, and hear what's ahead for the organization. All members, as well as the general public, are invited to attend.
- As we celebrate our 90th anniversary this year, we are collecting community memories. See page 3 to learn how you can share yours.

Lastly, I would like to take a moment to share that, after six years of leadership, José Rivera has officially retired as Executive Director of Richmond Art Center (May 2026). We are deeply grateful for his service and wish him the very best as he moves into nonprofit consulting. Our search for a new Executive Director is underway, and we will share updates in the near future.

Make some art!  
Jeff Nathanson

# SPECIAL EVENTS



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## SAVE THE DATES

### 90TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

90th Anniversary Gala: Friday, September 25, 5:30pm-9:30pm  
*Tickets to the gala go on sale in July 2026!*

90th Anniversary Exhibition: September 2 - November 19, 2026  
*Join us for the opening reception, a free community celebration, on Saturday, August 29, 1pm-3pm!*

## IMPORTANT!

### ANNUAL MEMBERS' MEETING

Saturday, June 27, 12pm-1pm

Learn about the year past and the future ahead for Richmond Art Center. All are welcome, no RSVP necessary.

## WHAT IS YOUR STORY?

### CALL FOR COMMUNITY STORIES

It started 90 years ago with flower arranging...

As Richmond Art Center marks its 90th anniversary in 2026, we're reflecting on our history, not just a timeline, it is a living, evolving narrative made up of the many people who have passed through our studios, galleries, and programs. We invite you to be part of it.

[richmondartcenter.org/stories](https://richmondartcenter.org/stories)



Flower arrangement class, c. 1930s, WPA-era program leading to the founding of Richmond Art Center.

# EXHIBITIONS



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## WEST GALLERY:

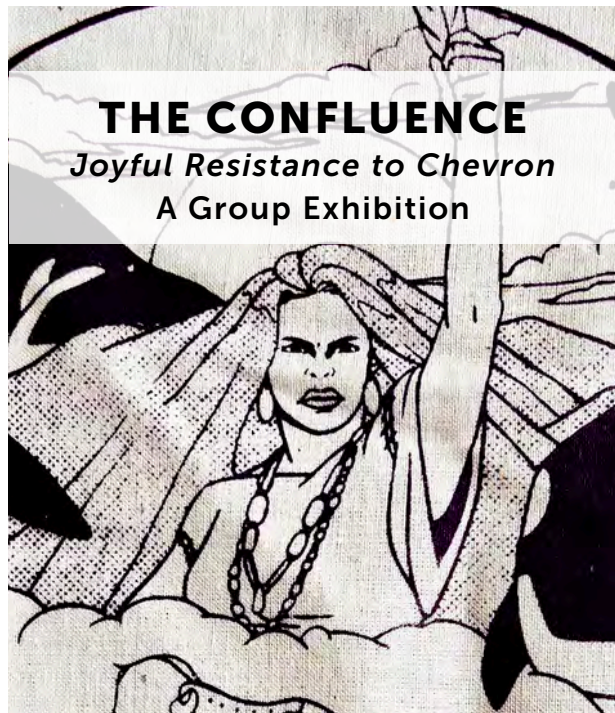


Image: Artwork by Jackie Fawn

## SOUTH GALLERY:

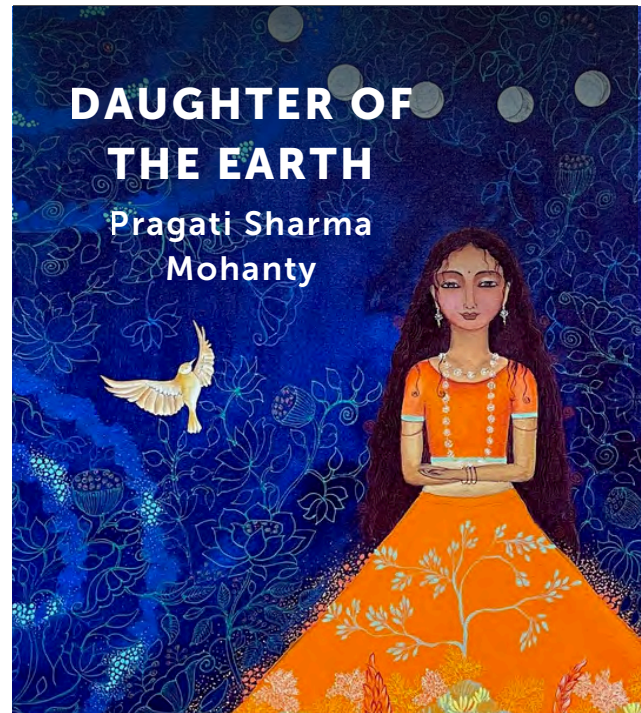


Image: Artwork by Pragati Sharma Mohanty

## COMMUNITY GALLERY:

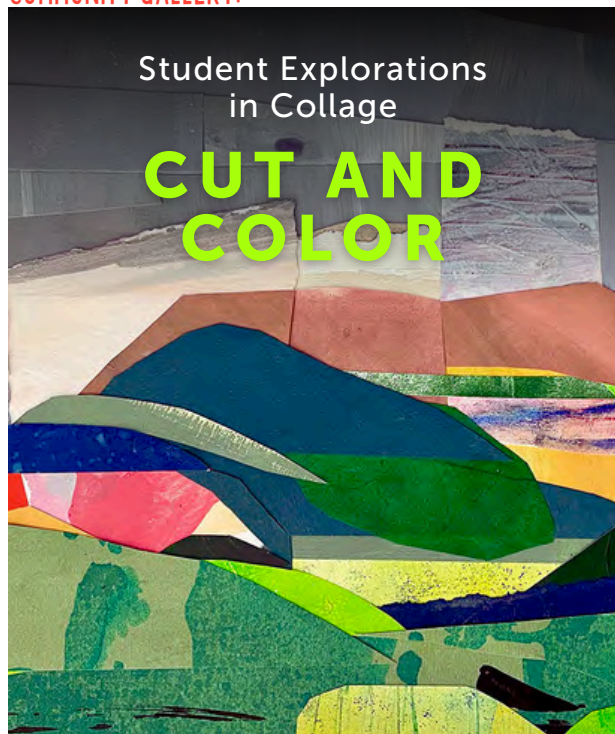


Image: Artwork by Erin McCluskey Wheeler

## SUMMER SCHEDULE

### Exhibition Dates

June 24 - August 15, 2026

**Opening Reception for  
Made in Richmond,  
Daughter of the Earth,  
The Confluence, &  
Cut and Color**

Saturday, June 27, 1pm-3pm

Richmond Art Center's  
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# EXHIBITIONS



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MAIN GALLERY:

**MADE IN  
RICHMOND**  
RICHMOND OPEN STUDIOS EXHIBITION

## PARTNER EVENT

### RICHMOND OPEN STUDIOS

Saturday, August 15, 11am-5pm

Organized by the Visual Artists of Richmond, Richmond Open Studios will take place across venues in Richmond August 8-9 and 15-16. Richmond Art Center is thrilled to be a participating venue, hosting artists in our courtyard on Saturday, August 15.

VISUAL  
**ARTISTS**  
OF RICHMOND



# YOUTH PROGRAMS



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## **TEEN WHEEL**

*For Ages 14-19  
Thursdays, 3:30pm-5pm  
Jul 9 - Aug 6 (5 sessions)*



## **SUMMER ART CAMP FOR KIDS!**

*For Ages 5-12  
Weekly Camps Run June - July  
Tues - Fri, 10am-2pm*

# ADULT CLASSES



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## DISCOUNTED CLASSES

[richmondartcenter.org/discounts](http://richmondartcenter.org/discounts)



- Join Richmond Art Center! Members receive 10% off all classes.
- New Students: Use code [newstudent2026](#) for 20% off your first class.\*

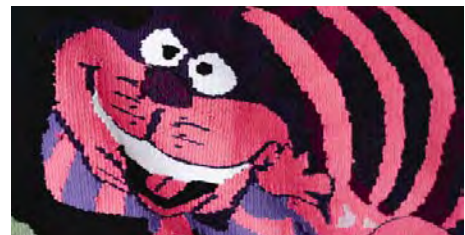
## TEXTILES

### Line by Line: Intro to Tapestry Weaving

Thursdays, 6pm-9pm, Jun 4 - Aug 6

**\$392 for 9 classes**

Learn to build imagery through tapestry weaving, along with how to warp and dress a floor loom.



### Spinning and Natural Dyeing

Tuesdays, 5pm-8pm, July 7 - Aug 11

**\$294 for 6 sessions**

Create yarn by spinning and dyeing it from scratch! Beginners welcome.

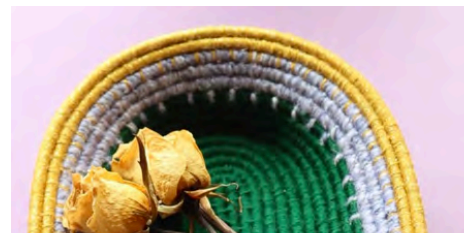


### Coil Basketry

Saturdays, 10am-1pm, Jul 25 - Aug 1

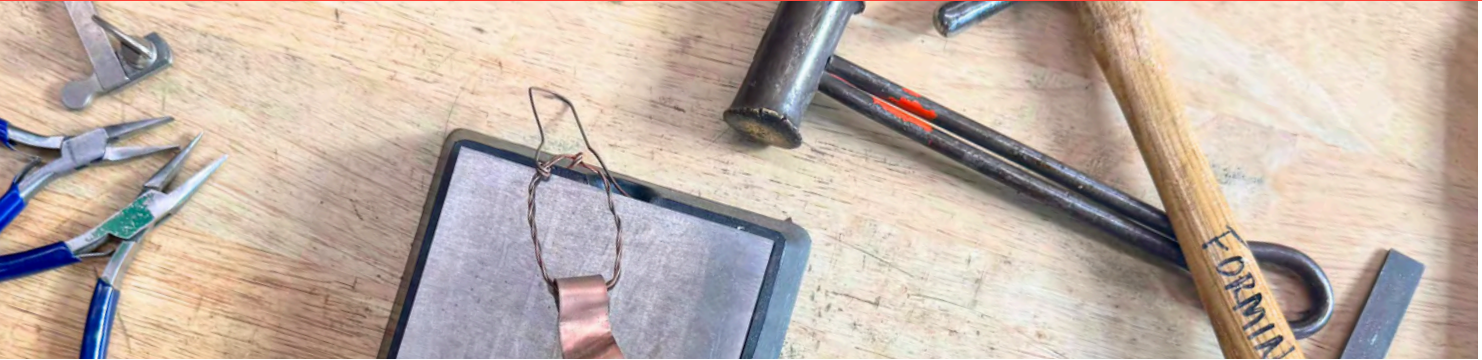
**\$65 for 2 sessions**

Be inspired by the colors of summer to create your own coil basket. No experience necessary.

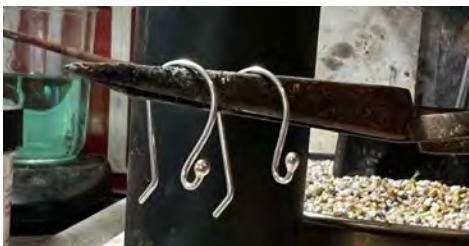


\*Code must be applied at registration. Limit one per student. Classes subject to availability. Excludes workshops.

# ADULT CLASSES



## JEWELRY & METAL ART



### **Fire & Wire: Earring Hooks & Headpins**

Saturday, Jun 27, 10:30am-2:30pm

**\$80 for 1 session**

Fabricate your own earring components using cutting, balling, hardening, and shaping techniques.



### **Crushed Stone Inlay: Rings**

Tuesdays, 5:30pm-7:30pm, Jul 7 - Aug 11

**\$252 for 6 sessions**

Learn to create a custom channel inlay ring using crushed stone, from carving to polishing.



### **Lapidary 101: Cut Cabochon Gemstones**

Thursdays, 5:30pm-8:30pm, Jul 9 - Aug 13

**\$294 for 6 sessions**

Learn the basics of gem cutting, including techniques of orientation, cutting and polishing.



### **Chain, Chain, Chains**

Fridays, 12pm-4pm, Jul 24 - Aug 7

**\$248 for 3 sessions**

Learn to create four popular chain styles that can be transformed into bracelets or necklaces.



## PAINTING & DRAWING

### Painting People

Tuesdays, 1:30pm-4:30pm, Jun 2 - Jul 21

**\$343 for 7 sessions**

Work from a live model and photo references while exploring your own artistic expression.



### Beginning Japanese Brush Painting

Wednesdays, 2pm-4pm, Jun 24 - Aug 12

**\$294 for 7 sessions**

Embark on a journey into Japanese ink brush painting with this beginner-friendly sumi-e class.



### Pen and Ink

Tuesdays, 5:30pm-7:30pm, Jul 7 - Aug 11

**\$252 for 6 sessions**

Embrace the beauty of imperfection through pen drawing and water-based media.



### Fundamentals of Figure Drawing with Charcoal

Wednesdays, 5pm-8pm, Jul 8 - Aug 12

**\$294 for 6 sessions**

Learn to draw from a live model using charcoal.



### Nature Journaling (Off-Site)

Thursdays, 3pm-5pm, July 9 - Aug 13

**\$252 for 6 sessions**

Learn drawing and painting in the field while exploring the natural world of Alvarado Park.





## PRINTMAKING

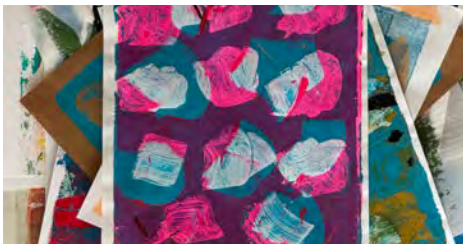


### Woodblock Printmaking

Wednesdays, 5pm-8pm, Jul 8 - Aug 12

**\$294 for 6 sessions**

Create prints using both contemporary and traditional woodblock printmaking methods.



### Monoprinting & Markmaking

Thursdays, 10am-1pm, Jul 23 - Aug 13

**\$180 for 3 sessions**

Learn to use the gelli plate to create artistic mono prints using simple marks, symbols, and patterns

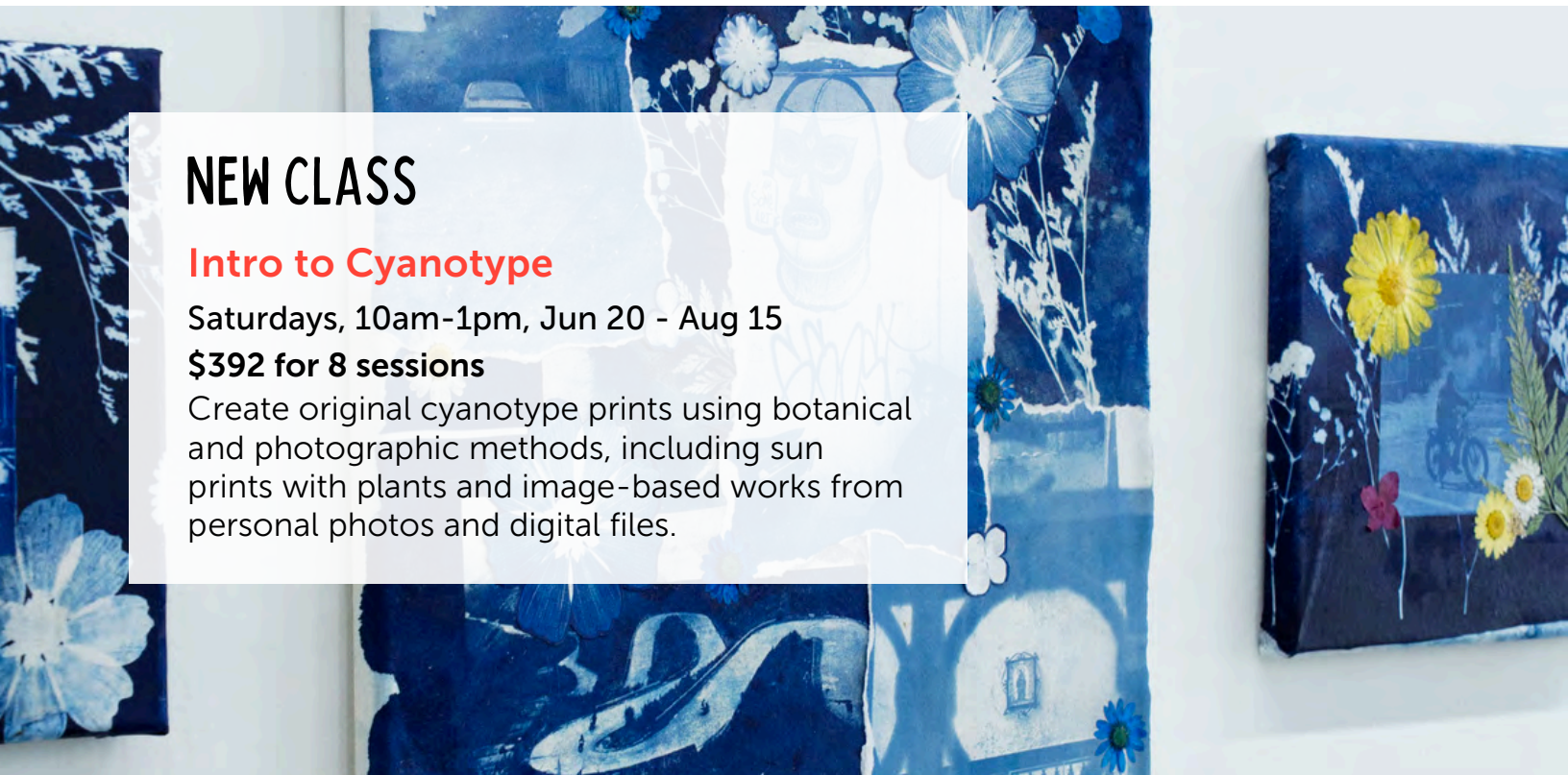
## NEW CLASS

### Intro to Cyanotype

Saturdays, 10am-1pm, Jun 20 - Aug 15

**\$392 for 8 sessions**

Create original cyanotype prints using botanical and photographic methods, including sun prints with plants and image-based works from personal photos and digital files.





## NEW WORKSHOP

### DIY Framing and Finishing Works on Paper

Saturday, August 8, 1pm-4pm

**\$110 for 1 session**

Learn how to frame your work easily and affordably using archival materials and ready-made frames. We'll also cover mounting works on paper to wood panels for a clean, frameless look. Leave with practical skills to present your artwork confidently for exhibitions and sales.



## CERAMICS

### Beginning Wheel Taster

Tuesdays, 2:30pm-4:30pm, Jun 16 - Aug 11

**\$336 for 8 sessions**

La maestra habla español.

### Beginning Handbuilding Taster

Thursdays, 6pm-8pm, Jun 18 - Aug 13

**\$336 for 8 sessions**

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**¡CLASE PARA PRINCIPIANTES!**

## **Beginning Handbuilding Taster**

**Cerámica Para Principiantes Modelado A Mano**

**Jueves, 6pm-8pm, 18 de junio - 13 de agosto**

**\$336 por 8 sesiones**

Clase de cerámica para principiantes sin experiencia. Aprende técnicas de construcción manual con arcilla. Materiales incluidos. Se imparte en inglés por una instructora bilingüe. Se anima a hispanohablantes a inscribirse.



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