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## Art Sphere Announces Innovative Art Courses for Youth

How to keep your children interested in continuing to learn? That is the big question this year. With online learning the norm, rather than the exception, many of our children are just not excited anymore about learning in front of a computer.

Art Sphere Inc., a non-profit that has been engaging children and their parents in transforming art into action for the past 22 years, has come up with a solution. This summer, Art Sphere developed comprehensive and exciting online lessons using art to teach music, chemistry, mindfulness and other topics through videos and handouts that can be downloaded, as well as a series of art books with 20 lessons each. Anyone can access these free resources at www.artsphere.org.

How to make puffy ink. How to create a rainbow in a jar. How to transform a story into a graphic novel. These are just a few of the ideas that will excite the imaginations of children ages 5-15. These ideas were developed for children to do alone, or with parents' help and are especially useful in a virtual or in-person classroom setting. And best of all, all of these projects can be done with common household materials so parents or schools don't have to purchase expensive art supplies.

The most important aspect of Art Sphere's lessons are that they are constructed to reach the different ways children learn. Every lesson contains printed instructions, for those who learn best by reading directions; a video for those who learn best by seeing the lesson in action; and graphic illustrations for those who see things visually. Art Sphere wants every child to feel empowered and able to produce their own work of art.

Art Sphere relies on the generosity of local foundations, businesses and individuals who believe that every child, no matter where they live, is entitled to the best education one can provide. For more information, see <u>www.artsphere.org</u>.

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