

Stylish Artist Patch Program



Art is the expression or application of human creative skill and imagination, typically in a visual form such as painting or sculpture, producing works to be appreciated primarily for their beauty or emotional power. Art is also the various branches of creative activity such as painting, music, literature and dance.

Steps to earn your Stylish Artist patch:

- Daisy and Brownie: Complete at least 1 step from 4 of the categories.
- Junior and Cadette: Complete at least 1 step from 6 of the categories.
- Senior and Ambassador: Complete at least 1 step from all of the categories..
- [Order your patch](#) (available while supplies last)!

Activities in [green](#) are linked to online resources.

Music

Music is vocal or instrumental sounds (or both) combined to produce beauty of form, harmony and expression of emotion. There is the music that you listen to, the music that you play or sing, the music that you create and the music of the world around you!

- Sit outside and close your eyes. Listen to all of the sounds around you. Wait for a few minutes and feel the “music” of the outside world. Do you hear birds or insects? Wind or weather? City noises? Country noises? Describe what kind of “music” that you heard.
- Research a famous musician and tell a family member or friend 3 facts about them. Here are some examples, but feel free to choose your own:
Bob Marley | Billie Holiday | Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart | Elvis Presley | Taylor Swift | Madonna
- Learn about 3 different types of music. How are they the same and how do they differ? Some examples are: Rock, Pop, Blues, Country, Jazz, Opera, Oldies, Reggae or Techno.
- Learn or write a new song. This song could be played on an instrument, sung with your voice as the instrument, or create your music as a visual piece to represent the feeling that you get from the music. This visual piece could be a drawing, painting, created with a medium (clay, sand, playdough, etc.) or through an interpretive dance.
- Make your own homemade instrument and play its music. [Here are some examples](#), but feel free to choose your own.

Poetry

Poetry is literary work in which special intensity is given to the expression of feelings and ideas by the use of distinctive style and rhythm.

- Research a famous poet. Find out when they lived, what types of literary work they wrote and 2 interesting facts about them. Here are some examples or choose your own:
Maya Angelou | Emily Dickinson | Lucille Clifton | Robert Frost | Emily Bronte | Edgar Allan Poe

Now answer these questions:

- What is the name of a poem that this poet wrote?
 - Can you tell what [type](#) of poem this is?
 - How does this poem make you feel? How can you express this feeling?
- There are many different [types of poetry](#) and no wrong way to write a poem. Explore different types of poetry and try writing a poem of your own.

Painting

Painting is the process or art of using paint in a picture, and there are so many ways to create a painting!

- Mediums are the substance the artist uses to create a piece of artwork. Start with [Painting for Beginners](#) to discover different mediums. Find 3 mediums to use with and create a painting or have an art show with a bunch of different paintings! It's up to you!
- Learn about the [7 elements of art](#) and how they often overlap and inform one another. Line, Color, Shape, Form, Value, Space and Texture. Use at least 2 of these elements to create your own painting.
- Create a painting without using a paint brush. Use sponges cut into shapes, fake feathers, buttons, your fingers/hands, feet, squirt bottle, bubble wrap, the sky's the limit (with grown up permission of course!). Reach even further and use something other than paint, like mud, colored water, crushed chalk mixed with a liquid.

Sculpture

Sculpture is the art of making two- or three-dimensional representative or abstract forms, especially by carving stone or wood or by casting metal or plaster.

- Explore the [types of sculpture](#) and the [elements](#) that make up a sculpture. Explain at least 4 of these elements, and how they are used in sculpture, to a family member or friend.
- Create a sculpture out of recycled materials. You could use bottles, cans, wrappers, paper, whatever you can find that you can recycle. First you need to figure out what kind of sculpture you want to create and how you are going to hold the pieces together. Then....create!
- [Make your own dough](#) and create many sculptures from this dough. Then bake ("fire") your sculpture so that it will stay in its shape.
- Create an edible sculpture using the [Art of Food!](#)

Theater

Theatre in terms of art is a play or other activity or presentation considered in terms of its dramatic quality.

- Attend a theatre performance. Pay attention to all of the moving parts that make up the performance. There are the actors/actresses. Are there people playing music? Is there a person who is in charge of the entire production? Set designers? Lighting and technical people? Stage managers? Anybody else?
- Make up your own skit. Writing a skit is the first step towards writing your own play. This could be done with puppets, friends, your troop or your family. It could even be a one-person skit where there is only one actor/actress on stage. Use the [Writing your own Skit activity sheet](#) to get you started.
- How has theatre changed over the years? Find out what theatre was like in different time periods: Ancient Greek, Medieval, Renaissance and today's theatre. What are 5 things that are the same and 5 things that are different?

Comic

Comic art is the creation of stylized or simplified drawings for the purpose of telling a story, making a point or making people laugh.

- Research how to make comic art starting with [how Mickey Mouse was drawn](#) in the 1920's. It's a great example of penciling, inking and shading of comic strips. Practice making a few different characters of your own. These can be ones that already exist, or your very own characters.
- Write your own comic strip or story. Make sure to split each illustration into a panel, sketch out the story, ink the story and finally color and add speech bubbles to finish telling the story.

Cinema

Cinema is a theater where movies are shown for public entertainment, also known as a movie theater.

- Learn about a famous movie director. What made them want to be a director? How did they start out in the movie industry? Have you seen any of the movies they directed? Here are some directors or choose your own:
Steven Spielberg | Orson Welles | Ron Howard | Kathryn Bigelow
- Create your own "movie" with your troop, friends or family. This wouldn't be as long as a regular movie. Make sure to include characters, the script, props, and the behind the scenes elements of lighting, framing and camera angles.
- Take in a show! After watching, try to guess how long it took to make the show and then research it and see if you can find the actual amount of time. How close were you?

Dance

There are many forms of dance out there to explore! Jazz is the most popular style of dance among dancers. Jazz combines all dance styles in a high energetic dance that is without conventional boundaries. It has been influenced by ballet, modern, tap, hop-hop, African dance and many more styles.

- ❑ Research a famous dancer and tell a family member or friend 3 facts about them. Here are some examples or choose your own:
Anna Pavlova | Paula Abdul | Ginger Rogers

- ❑ Learn a new dance style and perform solo, with a partner or with a group! Record your dance and show it to friends or family. Here are some examples choose your own:
Samba of Brazil | Flamenco of Spain | Dragon Dance of China | Viennese Waltz of Austria | Hopak from Ukraine | Hip Hop

