

# Yellow Bird Studio

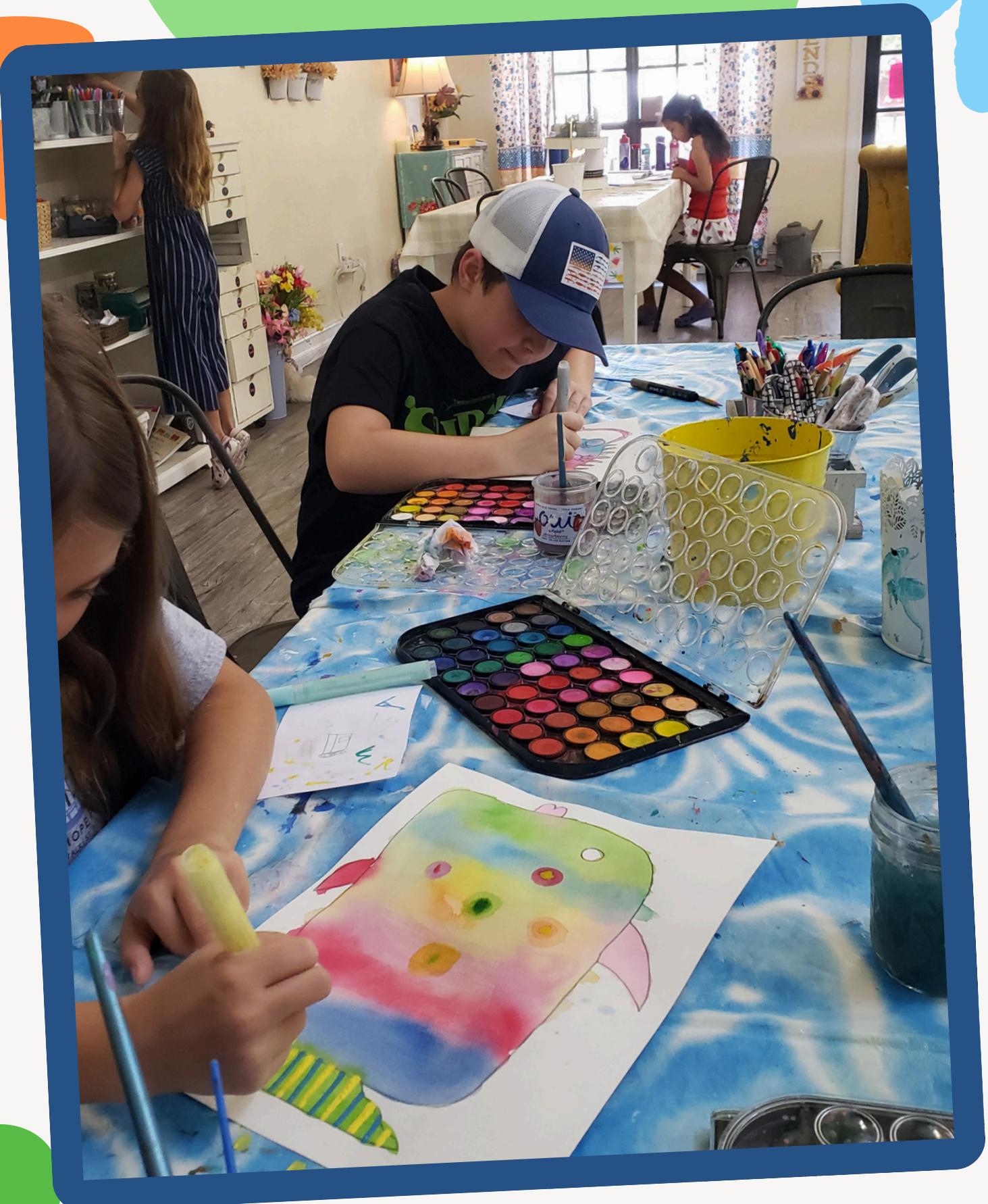
# **SUMMER ART CAMP GUIDE**

2026

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# Welcome Friends!



It is amazing to us that this year we are celebrating our 10<sup>th</sup> arts and crafts summer camps at Yellow Bird Studio! Our first year, we literally opened the doors the Saturday before summer camps started with just a half a dozen campers. Now, we are happy to serve over 250 campers each year with many returning kids who patiently await their favorite camp of the summer!

What makes our camps so great? First, we know what kids like: engaging themes that encourage them to learn new things and give them space and time to put their own creative spin on projects. Kids also love that there is little “waiting time”- there is always something to do from the moment they arrive until they leave for the day. They also like how well smoothly run and organized the camps are, leaving no opportunities for chaos. They love how warm, friendly and encouraging their teachers and the studios are. And best of all, they love the projects- some that are done in a day and some that take all week.

We plan our camps with the intention of being THE favorite camp they will have all summer, so all we do comes from our decades of experience working with kids and from our heart. We can't wait to meet new friends and see our old campers this summer!

Florie Reber and Pamela Navarro  
Co-Owners of Yellow Bird Studio

# Important Dates to Remember

## Mark Your Calendars!

### **January 10-February 14**

Priority Registration for Currently Enrolled Families  
(No payment due for currently enrolled art class families until May 1)

### **February 15-May 30**

Open Registration for the Community  
(Payment Due Upon Registration)

### **Refund Dates**

100% Refund if requested by May 1  
75% Refund if requested by May 15  
25% Refund if requested by May 30  
No Refunds after June 1

# Camp Dates and Descriptions

## June Camps

### **June 1-5: Surf Shack!**

Grab your board and join us for a summer camp full of sun, surf and sand! Inspired by the good-vibes of the surfing life, kids will design their own “surfboard”, and create lots of other “summer of love” arts and crafts.

For kids graduating Kindergarten through graduating 5<sup>th</sup> grade..

### **June 8-12: Out Of This World**

The galaxy is full of amazing mysteries and we will blast off to explore it through a wide variety of arts and crafts that will inspire all our campers to look up to the stars and use their imaginations to inspire their work.

For kids graduating Kindergarten through graduating 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

### **June 15-19: Fashion Camp**

Going on our 9<sup>th</sup> year of this perennial favorite, campers will design and sew an outfit for a 14" wooden mannequin as our main project, then design and make accessories they can use to add a little pizzazz to their wardrobe.

For kids graduating 2<sup>nd</sup> through graduating 5<sup>th</sup> grades only.

### **June 22-26: In The Garden**

The garden is a place for everyone to enjoy being with nature and watch things grow, and this week we use it as our inspiration to paint, sculpt, sew to make both what we see growing there and things we can use to enhance it's beauty.

For kids graduating Kindergarten through graduating 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

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## July Camps

### **July 6-10: The Creative World of Harry Potter**

Another one of our perennial favorites over the years, this camp will take kids through the high points of the Harry Potter series. Our arts and crafts will draw from the favorite characters, places and things that fans of the books and movies love. For kids graduating 2<sup>nd</sup> grade through graduating 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

### **July 13-17: Teeny Tiny Room Design**

Does your child love all things miniature? Then they will love this design and build camp where each camper imagines the perfect room and then plans, builds and decorates it using a wide variety of materials and media at the studio. From making tiny furniture to itty bitty works of art for the walls, your child will love all the possibilities in this camp! For kids graduating 2<sup>nd</sup> grade through graduating 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

### **July 20-24: Delicious Delights**

Sweet treats and other goodies are the inspiration for our camp this week! We will paint, sculpt, sew, and craft all kinds of beautiful “food” during the week so that campers come away with art that will tickle the palate. For kids graduating Kindergarten through graduating 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

### **July 27-31: Dragons vs Unicorns**

This camp theme was voted on by last year's campers to include this summer, so we are excited to see what they have in mind! Is your child camp dragon or camp unicorn? No matter which they are, they will have a great time while they create their favorite creature with paper mache, then create a magical landscape for their creature to live in. For kids graduating 2<sup>nd</sup> through graduating 5<sup>th</sup> grades only.

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## August Camps

### **August 3-7: Safari Adventure**

We will wrap-up our summer with a trip to far away places to explore through arts and crafts the wildlife and cultural art that is found in the African continent. For kids graduating Kindergarten through graduating 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

### **Single Camp Dates**

**9:00-12:00 Only**

**Monday June 29**

**Tuesday June 30**

**Wednesday July 1**

**Thursday July 2**

**Friday July 3**

Each day is a different theme with art that is completed that day. You can register for one or all five!

### **Limited Class Series**

Throughout the summer, we will have guest teachers offering limited classes in sewing, crochet, knitting, glass fusion and more. More information will be posted on our website as these are scheduled. Typically, you will need to register and pay the instructor directly and not on our website since they are not Yellow Bird Studio employees and are only using our space for our classes. These will be scheduled during the weekdays after 5 Pm and on weekends.

# Summer Camp Policies

- Because we want campers to have a great time with our projects, please make sure your child meets the age/grade requirement that is mentioned in every camp description. If your child is too young for a camp, we will let you know and discuss options.
- All campers must be able to be independent to take care of their own personal needs such as washing hands, going to the bathroom, getting their own water bottle, etc.
- Campers are not allowed to leave the studio without an adult who is authorized for picking up.
- We cannot provide before or after care, so please make arrangements to be here no earlier or later than 10 minutes before or after camp.
- If you are late, please contact the studio ASAP. If you are more than 15 minutes late, we will begin contacting emergency contacts on your registration list for your child to be picked up.
- We have four rules at Yellow Bird Studio:
  - No Hurts- Do not hurt each other (physically or emotionally), the studio equipment, or yourself (safety first)
  - Stick Together- No one leaves the studio without a grown-up. You must also stick with your assigned group during activity time. You may get up at any time to use the bathroom or take care of a personal need.
  - Be Responsible- Please don't waste materials and clean up after yourself.
  - Have Fun!- If at any time you have a problem or can't figure something out, please speak to your teacher right away.
- We rarely have any discipline issues, however, if your child is breaking a rule, we will remind and redirect. If this does not work, we will speak to you at the end of class. If your child continues to break the rules, we have the option to ask that your child no longer attend camp for the week.
- For minor injuries, such as cuts, pokes and hot glue gun accidents, we use soap, water, adhesive bandages and ice. For anything that needs more medical attention, we will call you. In an emergency situation we will also call 911 for assistance.
- If you will be missing any days, or cannot attend the last day, please let the instructors know so they can plan accordingly for your child to catch up or finish early (as much as is possible).
- We will not be setting aside time for eating snack, so there is no need to send any food unless it is medically necessary.
- Please DRESS FOR MESS! We offer smocks, but there is always the chance your child may accidentally get paint on clothes.
- All projects are kept at the studio until Friday, when your child will be able to take everything home, so please be ready to assist your child in collecting their artwork and celebrate the what they did!

# Meet The Owners!

Florie Reber has a BA and an MA in Early Childhood Education from UF and has been working with children since 1988 when she began her career as a Kindergarten teacher.

Over the years, she has also been a preschool director, adult educator and parent coach before deciding to found Yellow Bird Studio in 2016. She saw the need for a safe place for children to exercise their independence, critical thinking skills and creativity and so Yellow Bird Studio was born!

She opened the Odessa location in 2022 and is the primary studio teacher at the Gunn location.

She lives in Odessa with her husband and three dog "fur babies" and is a proud mom of an incredible adult son.

Her hobbies, besides making art, are reading, gardening, and traveling with her family and friends to places near and far.

Her motto is:

See Beauty Everywhere and in Everyone



Pamela Navarro has been working with children since 1995 when she started as a Preschool teacher. She has had the honor over the years of being a part of hundreds of families lives and cherishes the relationships she has built with them all. Besides being a teacher, she also has worked as an administrator and support staff for multiple organizations.

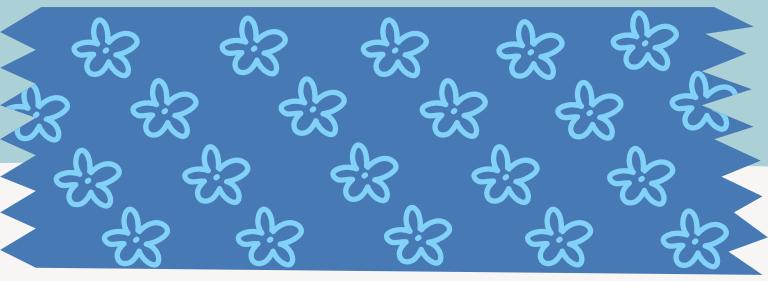
She accepted Florie's invitation to join her in starting Yellow Bird Studio in 2016, and is the primary teacher at the Westshore location.

She lives in Tampa with her little dog Charlie (who the Westshore kids know and love) and is the proud mom of an adult daughter.

Her hobbies include painting, interior design, and going to craft festivals.

Her motto is:

Kindness and Love Matter Most



## Afterschool Art Classes 2026-2027

If your child enjoyed our summer camps, then please consider sending them to our after school art classes for the upcoming school year!

Our approach to teaching art goes way beyond learning how to draw. We want children to learn how to think and grow, and making things, with a wide variety of materials, allows children to not only learn how to be independent and problem solve, but also helps them tap into their feelings and learn about the world around them and become confident creators of their lives.

To state it simply: Art Makes You Smart!

Our 2026-27 schedule of classes will be released in April, so please check our website for the exact times that we will be offering classes at our studios.

Open registration for classes begins July 1, 2026. The first week of classes will be August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

# Afterschool Art Classes 2026-2027

**Art Lab 1: PreK-4 and KG; Art Lab 2: 6-8 years old; Art Lab 3: 8-10 years old; Art Lab 4: 10+ years old; Homeschool Art Lab 5+:** Our most popular class with kids! Students are free to use studio media and materials independently on their own unique creations. The instructor's role is to teach correct use and care of materials, introduce new materials and techniques, and most importantly, support each student's process of self-guided art investigation and inquiry. Focus is on process, exploration and experimentation, not product.

**Craft Club- KG-5th:** This class focuses on crafts that relate to the season or holiday through direct instruction using a variety of materials including painting, collage, sewing, gluing, sculpting, printmaking and more. Focus is more on product than our other class options.

**Crochet/Knitting Club- 9 yrs & up:** The instructor will start students out with basic crochet, then adjust to each child's learning speed with a variety of projects throughout the year. Beginners are welcome, but this class is best for children who have good hand-eye coordination.

**Draw and Paint Club 7 yrs & up-** For students who are serious about learning and improving their drawing and painting skills, we offer two levels of classes. Level 1 is for elementary aged children who are learning and then practicing the fundamentals of observational drawing and painting techniques. Level 2 is for children in middle school and up who are ready for more challenging subject matter and refining their understanding and use of value, shading, perspective and more. Both classes allow students to work on their own self-paced pieces. (No cartoon or anime is taught)

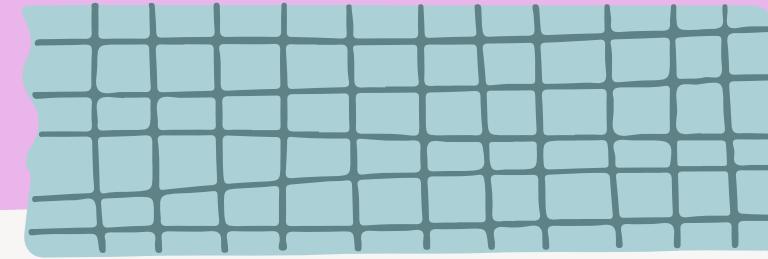
**Imagination Club- 7 yrs & up:** Calling all master builders! If your child loves to build things, they will love this class. Students create exciting 3D works of art, based on fun and stimulating monthly themes so kids use their critical thinking, invention and making skills through repurposed materials to create one-of-a-kind models and structures. Sample themes for the year: Create a Creature, Treehouse Masters, Food Truck Nation, Dream House Challenge, Out Of This World, Myths and Magic, Cozy Campers, My Town, Islands of Adventure.

**Stitch Club-8 yrs & up:** In this class, students will learn about textile arts such as hand and machine sewing, weaving, embroidery, yarn art, needle punch, pom-poms, cross stitch and introduce crochet and/or knitting at the end of the year. Two classes are offered, one introduction and one advanced. Please talk to the instructor to find out which would be the best placement for your child.

**Wild Art- 7-12 yrs:** This class is for the nature loving child who wants to learn more about our natural world through art. Instructors provide background information about different animals, and then students use a wide variety of materials and media to represent the animal creatively.

**Did you know we can also host your  
dream art party at our studio?  
Check our website for more  
information!**

<https://www.yellowbirdstudiotampa.com/art-birthday-parties>



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