

# Grace Art Camp Camp Guide 2026



Since 1997, Grace Institute’s signature program, Grace Art Camp, has fostered awareness through art, culture, and storytelling in a process-oriented environment for children ages 4–12. Professional artists lead studios in visual, performance, and culinary arts supported by high school and college mentors in a caring, respectful setting. Activities are inspired by a “story of the week” and emphasize creativity, community, and collaboration, encouraging children to develop curiosity, compassion, and an appreciation for each other’s unique gifts.

We’re so excited to have you join us this summer as we create, explore, and grow together!

## GETTING HERE

Camp Location	Car Parking	Bike Parking	Accessibility
<p><b>1535 NE 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue Portland OR, 97232</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● The camp entrance is attached to the parking lot at NE 16<sup>th</sup> Ave &amp; Weidler St</li><li>● Enter through the black courtyard gate &amp; continue through the red double doors</li><li>● Sign in with your camper’s color counselor</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Street parking in the neighborhood</li><li>● A small number of spots are available in the attached parking lot. Please do <b>not</b> park in reserved spaces.</li><li>● Lloyd Center parking</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Bike racks are along NE 17<sup>th</sup> Ave &amp; in the parking lot</li><li>● Please do <b>not</b> park bikes along the outside staircase or near the courtyard gate.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Handicap parking is available in the attached lot</li><li>● Ramp access is around the corner at the NE 17<sup>th</sup> entrance. Ring doorbell for access.</li></ul>

# CAMPER DROP-OFF & PICK-UP

Drop-off	Pick-up	Authorized Adult
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>8:45 AM - 9:00 AM daily</b></li> <li>● You <b>MUST</b> sign your camper(s) in with their designated color counselor(s) before leaving</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>3 PM daily</b></li> <li>● You <b>MUST</b> sign your camper(s) out with their designated color counselor(s) before leaving</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● to pick up or drop off any camper, you must...               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ have your ID ready</li> <li>○ be 18+</li> <li>○ be listed in the camper's registration forms</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## Early Pick Up & Adding A New Authorized Adult

**You MUST** email [raya@grace-institute.org](mailto:raya@grace-institute.org)

Letting a counselor or staff know is not sufficient.

Early pick-up cannot be accommodated between 2:30 PM and 3:00 PM.

Please coordinate picking up your camper before 2:30 PM if early pick-up is needed.

# EXTENDED HOURS

Extended Hours are available **Monday through Thursday** from **3:00 PM until 5:30 PM** for \$30/day.

Space is limited. Please sign up ahead of time to secure a spot.

Email [raya@grace-institute.org](mailto:raya@grace-institute.org) to inquire about adding Extended Hours to your registration.

Campers not picked up by 3:10 PM will be signed into Extended Hours; families will be charged the \$30/day fee.

# WHAT TO BRING



- Comfortable clothing that can get messy
  - Closed toed shoes
  - Reusable water bottle
  - Lunch\* (in an insulated lunch box)
- \*mid-morning snack is provided



- **No nuts** of any kind (including nut butters, almond milk, granola bars with nuts, etc.)
- No valuables (cell phones, electronics)
- No toys (sensory fidgets OK)

# CAMPER HEALTH

Medications	Accommodations	Illness
<p><b>Medication forms</b> must be filled out if a camper will be bringing meds to camp.</p> <p>This includes over the counter medications. (e.g. pain meds, allergy meds)</p> <p>All medications must be securely stored in the camp first aid office unless otherwise noted.</p>	<p>We strive to support all campers by meeting their individual unique needs.</p> <p>If your camper has learning, cognitive, mobility, and/or behavioral differences, please let us know how we can best support them.</p>	<p>To keep other campers from becoming ill, we ask that sick campers stay home.</p> <p>Campers who develop a fever, throw up, or present other serious symptoms must go home.</p>

For all camper health questions including medication forms, email [raya@grace-institute.org](mailto:raya@grace-institute.org).

# CAMP SCHEDULE

MONDAY / TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY/THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
8:45 - 9	CAMPER SIGN-IN	8:45 - 9	CAMPER SIGN-IN	8:45 - 9	CAMPER SIGN-IN
9 - 10:10	MORNING ASSEMBLY	9 - 9:30	MORNING ASSEMBLY	9 - 9:30	MORNING ASSEMBLY
10:15 - 11:00	AM STUDIO 1 & snack	9:30 - 10:10	STUDIO CHOOSING TIME	9:30 - 10:20	STUDIO CHOOSING TIME
11:05 - 11:50	AM STUDIO 2	10:15 - 11:35	AM STUDIO	10:25 - 11:45	AM STUDIO
11:55 - 12:55	LUNCH & RECESS	11:40 -12:40	LUNCH & RECESS	11:50 -12:50	LUNCH & RECESS
1 - 1:45	PM STUDIO 1	12:45 - 1:10	STUDIO CHOOSING TIME	12:55 - 1:25	ASSEMBLY REHEARSAL
1:50 - 2:35	PM STUDIO 2	1:15 - 2:35	PM STUDIO	1:30 - 2:15	PM STUDIO
2:40 - 3	AFTERNOON ASSEMBLY	2:40 - 3	AFTERNOON ASSEMBLY	2:30 - 3	FAMILY ASSEMBLY
3 PM	CAMPER SIGN-OUT	3 PM	CAMPER SIGN-OUT	3 PM	CAMPER SIGN-OUT & ART BAG PICK-UP
3 - 5:50	EXTENDED HOURS (please sign up ahead of time, \$30/day)	3 - 5:50	EXTENDED HOURS (please sign up ahead of time, \$30/day)		

# FRIDAY AFTERNOON SHOWCASE

Family Gathering	Camper Artwork	Pick-Up
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>2:30 - 3:00 PM</b></li> <li>● Artist &amp; camper highlights</li> <li>● Songs &amp; performances from the week</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Pick up your camper's ART BAG when you sign out</b></li> <li>● Please check the contents of the bag before leaving to make sure no art is missing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>No Friday Extended Hours</b></li> <li>● Pick-up is at 3:00 PM</li> </ul>

# CODE OF CONDUCT

If a camper acts in a way that threatens safety, causes fear, or disrupts others' ability to participate, we may contact parents/guardians and ask that the camper be picked up early. The following behaviors are not permitted at Grace Art Camp and will result in caregiver contact.

- Any form of bullying: physical, emotional, verbal.
- Fighting, kicking, scratching, biting, hitting.
- Leaving the camp premises without supervision or permission.
- Posing a safety risk to themselves or others.
- Bringing illicit items to camp such as weapons.
- Damage to the property of others.



# CONTACT INFORMATION

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