

Customized Art Classes

Customized art classes for all skill levels and interests.

Private Lessons and *Small Group Classes* provide individualized attention and personal guidance for each student. One-day afternoon workshops, weekly or bi-weekly lessons can be constructed to accommodate each individual's skill level and interest. Students can select to focus on topics including: drawing, painting, collage, printmaking, 3D design or choose to study a combination of multiple topics. Classes will provide guidance on how to manipulate specific mediums such as charcoal, ink, graphite, pastel, conte, clay, plaster, acrylic or oil paint to name a few. Classes will also introduce and demonstrate methods and techniques relative to making art. Students will have the opportunity to experiment with various stylistic approaches and see examples of contemporary art and art history. Individuals will be nurtured to develop personal ideas and subject-matter. Students may select to bring in source material such as photographs or clippings from magazines for reference and inspiration to draw, collage or paint. Still-lives will be provided for students who are interested in learning from observation. Creative activity-projects such as making art in response to sounds, scents, verbs or even environments while on field trips are also possible class topics. Portfolio development also available for students planning to apply to competitive art programs.

Contact Rachel Reynolds Z for inquiries and scheduling.

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About the Instructor:

Rachel Reynolds Z: *Artist, Educator, Optimist.*

A painter, Rachel shares a 4,500 square foot studio space in Hamtramck with a fabrication business run by her sculptor husband, Robert Zahorsky. When Reynolds Z isn't working creatively in her studio, she shares her knowledge of art with students at Oakland University in Rochester Hills, adult learners at the Flint Institute of Arts, a weekly painting group in Grosse Pointe, youth in Farmington Hills organized by the Farmington Hills' Cultural Arts Division and private lessons to high school students.

After earning a BFA in 2000 from the College for Creative Studies in Detroit, Rachel continued her education in Montpelier, Vermont and graduated with a MFA in Visual Arts in 2007. Reynolds Z has served as a Visiting Artist and lectured about her work at the Detroit Institute of Arts, Cuyahoga Community College in Ohio, Madonna University in Livonia, Oakland University in Rochester Hills, Cranbrook Kingswood, Bloomfield Hills and the Farmington Public Library by invitation from the Farmington Art Foundation. She exhibits her work regularly in both group and solo shows at local galleries. When Rachel is not creating art and teaching she loves to travel, eat, listen to live music, garden, hike, scuba dive, watch basketball and in between all of that-relax.