



Explore Anime

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Course Objectives: Students will learn the basics of character creation, dynamic posing and coloring, storytelling, and basic animation skills.

Course Description: Explore Anime is a fun versatile experience for all young anime lovers who are not only looking to develop their skills but also learn how to create their own story to get ahead in the ever-growing industry! Students will be allowed to explore different genres and styles of anime, learn the basics of character creation, and learn about color theory in storytelling. Students will be exposed to media ranging from cartoons to anime-influenced movies and learn how to engage their audience with their characters. This is the perfect class for any budding anime artist where they will not only learn about what they love but be with other youth who are just as enthused as they are!

Supply List: Mechanical Pencils, Sketchbooks, and any art supplies students use at home so they can learn how to use their skills at home with the supplies they have.

Course Schedule:

Week 1: The Basics- In this class we learn how to construct an anime-styled face, looking at different shapes and colors creators use to project what kind of character they are showing.

Week 2: Body Building- This lesson involves making a proportional body in static and dynamic poses to convey action on a 2D drawing.

Week 3: Inking and Shading- This lesson involves practicing shading on a character or scene, many times manga and anime do not use color but can still be imposing with the right linework.

Week 4: Coloring- Here is where students will explore color theory and how to project a hero, villain, and side characters to make a story interesting.

Week 5: Animals- In this lesson, we explore how to make anime-styled animals and characters with animal-like features

Week 6-9: Anime Vs. Fine Art- In this lesson students will be challenged to take their favorite anime character and incorporate them into a fine art piece, exploring how new-age art and traditional art can come together.

Week 10: Movie Day- Students will get the opportunity to watch an anime feature film from Studio Ghibli, an animation studio that has been Oscar-nominated for their film work.