Carmel Arts Council

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"World's Smallest Children's Art Gallery"

Smoky Row Elementary Art Exhibition – Angie Crider, Art Teacher

Angie Crider has begun her 12th year teaching elementary art at Smoky Row Elementary and bases her art curriculum on the "Disciplined Based Art Education" approach. She follows the guidelines of the Carmel Clay Fine Arts Curriculum and the Indiana Visual Art Standards.

Discipline Based Art Education goes beyond painting a pretty picture. DABE is a method of teaching and studying art that exposes students to four distinct art disciplines: Art Criticism, Art Aesthetics, Art History and Art Production. Developing knowledge and skills in these four areas allows the student to attain a more thorough comprehension of visual arts. Each discipline is tailored to specific ages and grade levels.

Please follow us at: Twitter: Mrs. Crider@SREArtRoom

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Smoky Row Art Students Celebrate the Art and Life of Georgia O'Keeffe

In Support of the Georgia O'Keeffe exhibit at the Indianapolis Museum of Art, each grade level created a work inspired by the art of Georgia O'Keeffe.

<u>Kindergarten and First Grade</u> – Each class was introduced to Georgia O'Keeffe by reading two books entitled <u>My Name is Georgia: A Portrait</u> by Jeanette Winter and <u>Through Georgia's Eyes</u> by Rachel Rodriguez. The students discussed O'Keeffe's use of flowers in her paintings. They created their own flowers by using markers for their artwork.

<u>Second Grade</u> – Students looked at two of O'Keeffe's art pieces entitled *Red Hill and White Shell* and *Sky Above Clouds IV* for inspiration of the art pieces created in class. Media used for the *Red Hill and White Shell* interpretations *were* torn pieces of construction paper and oil pastels. Media used for *Sky Above Clouds IV* was tempera paints.

<u>Third Grade</u> – The third grade students studied one of the most recognizable subjects in O'Keeffe's art which were the large flowers she painted. Her vision of the inside detail of a flower became the inspiration for these student's pieces. Media used for artwork included oil pastels.

<u>Fourth Grade*</u> – On her desert walks, O'Keeffe picked up sea shells, rocks and skulls, pieces of wood and sun-bleached bones and took them home. These objects became the subjects of her artwork that our fourth grade students studied and discussed. Media used for this project included oil pastels, watercolor pencils and watercolors.

<u>Fifth Grade*</u> – Fifth grade students discussed how Georgia O'Keeffe learned to communicate her thoughts, moods and ideas through her paintings. Students looked at what inspired O'Keeffe and why she painted landscapes and close-flowers. Students were then instructed that they were allowed to look through her artwork and find their own inspiration for their own art pieces. They were also allowed to choose what form of media they wanted to use to create their own artwork.

*Artist Statements will be included with all the 4th and 5th grade artwork

Second Room of the Carmel Arts Council's Gallery

<u>Carmel High School Art Exhibit</u> – This exhibit features high school art selected for the exhibit by the Carmel High School art teachers. In the collection there will be black and white drawings and photographs.

<u>Carmel High School Art Club Exhibit</u> – The Carmel High School Art Club's exhibit will feature holiday themed art comprising of collages and ornaments. Marisa Arakawa is the President of the Carmel High School Art Club.

<u>Carmel Clay Middle School Art Exhibit</u> - The Carmel-Clay middle school art teachers from Clay, Creekside and Carmel have put together an art exhibit which focuses on their student's artwork.

<u>Kawachinagano, Japan Student Art Exhibit</u> – Kawachinagano, Japan, a "sister city" to Carmel sent student art from their elementary and junior high schools for the Carmel Arts Council to exhibit. This art is on loan from the Carmel Sister Cities, Incorporated.

<u>Xiangyang, China Student Art Exhibit</u> – Xiangyang, China, a "sister city" to Carmel sent student art for the Carmel Arts Council to exhibit in their gallery. The art is on loan from the Carmel-Xiangyang Sister City Youth Committee.

Smoky Row Elementary Open House

The Carmel Arts Council is hosting an Open House for the Smoky Row Elementary Art Exhibition *Smoky Row Art Students Celebrate the Art and Life of Georgia O'Keeffe* on Sunday, December 7 from 2pm to 4pm.

Please come and meet the Smoky Row Elementary Art Teacher, Angie Crider and her art students.

Carmel Arts Council Gallery Hours for December

Friday, Saturday and Sunday throughout December – 2pm to 4pm The Gallery Walk – December 13 – 6pm t0 8pm

WHO: The Carmel Arts Council

The 40 board, associates and auxiliary members work enthusiastically and tirelessly to help create an environment for children and families to learn and expand their artistic interests. Starting with programs for the elementary age children and expanding through high school and beyond, Carmel Arts Council is enhancing everyone's lives.