

Student Learning *with the CAT*



The Cafesjian Art Trust Museum (the CAT) is a small art museum in Shoreview.
We present thematic art exhibitions that change regularly.
We are always free to visit!

Field trips:

- The CAT Museum offers FREE student tours on Tuesdays & Wednesdays. Due to space constraints, there is a maximum of 40 students per visit.
- We will work with you to develop an engaging tour that supports your classroom learning goals.
- **Bus funding is available to cover the cost of your transportation to the museum.**
- At least 6 weeks' advance notice is requested.



Other ways to engage:

- Have other ideas for student or teacher engagement? Let's chat! We can host professional development sessions, create online learning opportunities, & more!

Plan your museum program today!
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In-classroom visits:

- We can bring the museum to you! FREE in-classroom programs include exhibition-related lessons that engage students with the artworks on view.
- We also offer an interactive *Museum Careers* presentation introducing students to the diversity of jobs available in museums.
- At least 6 weeks' advance notice is required; availability is limited. Depending on your school's distance from the museum, programs may be administered virtually.

4600 Churchill St, Shoreview MN 55126
www.cafesjianarttrust.org

Field Trips at the CAT



Cafesjian Art Trust
Museum

PREPARING FOR YOUR TRIP:

- Let us know if you have specific goals for the tour. If you will be giving students an assignment related to the visit, it is helpful to let us know so we can tailor our content accordingly.
- If possible, please have students arrive wearing name tags.
- *For older students:* please make us aware of your cell phone policy. If students are allowed to have their phones with them, we can leave time at the end for them to take photos. (When taking photos: turn off flash and don't hold phones directly over the artwork.)
- *For younger students:* if you have specific attention-getters or classroom management strategies for your class, share them with us.
- Review museum rules: keep an arms' length of distance between your body and all artwork; don't lean on the walls, no running; no food or drink; no touching
 - ***Remind students that there will be artwork (including glass sculptures) throughout the museum, including in the library and in the lobby when they first enter.***

CHAPERONES:

- We require 1 adult per 10 students. Please arrange to bring chaperones if your group exceeds 10 students.
- If you have trouble securing chaperones, let us know as soon as possible and we can recruit museum volunteers.

TRANSPORTATION AND ARRIVAL:

- The CAT Museum is pleased to be able to cover the cost of bus transportation for student field trips! ***The school is responsible for booking the bus transportation to and from the museum.***
- When you receive the invoice from the bus company, forward it to the museum and we will pay the bus company directly.



- There is ample space in the main parking lot in front of the museum for the bus. The driver should turn in just before the outdoor white “Cafesjian Art Trust Museum” sign. The bus should not pull into the back parking lot shared with Churchill St. restaurant.
- The bus driver is welcome to join the group on the tour, but they need to enter with the group. Once the tour starts, the museum’s exterior door is locked. The driver must also stay with the group during the tour and cannot wander the museum independently.

AT THE MUSEUM:

- Have students leave all backpacks, snacks, and water bottles on the bus.
- There is a coat rack in the lobby for jackets.
- Food and drink are not allowed in the museum. If students have medical needs that necessitate food or drink, please let us know. We can also provide water to individual students if needed.
- We DO NOT have a space for students to eat lunch on-site.
- No pens, markers, or art-making materials of any kind are allowed. We can provide pencils and clipboards upon request.
- Students needing to use the bathroom should go one at a time and should be escorted to and from the restroom area by a chaperone.

AFTER THE VISIT:

- We can work with you to develop a follow-up assignment related to the tour/museum content.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

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