

Art Docent Program

You Don't Have To Be An Artist To Be An Art Docent

Join the group of classroom art docents! We are in our second year of a completely revamped Art Docent program at Hollywood Hill Elementary. Last year's launch was a positive and successful experience for both the kids and docents. We learned a lot, and we need your help in continuing to support and improve this important program!



You will have many resources available to you:

- ★ 6 pre-structured lessons (Grades 1-5) and 3 lessons for Grade 6
- ★ Available digitally and can be printed
- ★ Materials for lessons are provided
- ★ Lessons can occur in classroom or Art Portable
- ★ Art Docent Coordinators and the backing of the PTA
- ★ You can partner with other parents in your classroom to share docent responsibilities - and it's fun to do lessons together!
- ★ Additional training and resources offered by NSD

If all that was not enough, it is really a pretty fun volunteer experience!

What it takes to be a successful Art Docent:

- ★ Interest in both learning and teaching about art
- ★ Ability to capture the attention of a classroom of young artists
- ★ An orientation that the artwork is really how the student sees it
- ★ Ability to partner with the teacher
- ★ Approach that the lessons are about the learning and creating through artwork
- ★ Willingness to support the Art Walk (end of year event)
- ★ Ability to enjoy the volunteer opportunity.

Volunteer time commitment is:

- ★ 1 hour Orientation - optional for returning docents from last year (late September date TBD)
- ★ 6 classroom lessons that should take up to 2 hours per lesson (which includes set up & clean up)
- ★ 30 minutes to 1 hour to familiarize yourself with each lesson each month
- ★ A few minutes every month to touch base with last year's docents for lesson tips that pertain to your lesson (optional but highly suggested)
- ★ 2 hours (total - in increments through the year) coordinating with the teacher.

If you are interested in being an art docent for your child's class(es):

- ★ Check "Yes" next to your child's name on the Art Docent page of the online PTA information pack (details in your orientation pack).

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