

# Creative Arts in Action

## Fall 2008 Class Descriptions

### Monday

#### **First Start French: Grades 7<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup>**

Parlez-vous Francais? Much of medieval European literature was written in French. Fancy French restaurants have menus in French. French is the second-most taught foreign language worldwide (English is first). From the 18th to the 20th century, French was the diplomatic and business language of the world. It is still spoken in many countries, including Argentina, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, and much of Africa and the Middle East.

Convinced of the practicality of learning French yet? How about this--knowledge of French could be helpful on mission trips.

This class is designed for beginning French speakers and will include vocabulary, grammar, translation and French culture. Middle School and High School students will work side-by side in this class that is based on memorization and practice.

#### **God's Creation & Me: Grades 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup>**

God's Creation and Me invites children on a 14 week journey to explore each of God's miraculous creations. Students will investigate His creation through a thematic unit approach. Hands-on, creative activities invite them to learn through experience and discovery as they encounter literature, art, science, music, and the Bible. Students will plant a garden and watch it grow, hang the planets in space and dance around the sun, become a rock detective, discover the miracle of the human body, paint a rainbow, and on the seventh day, rest and marvel in God's miraculous creation. This class promises a stimulating learning experience that is sure to enrich even the youngest of learners.

#### **English with Composition: Grades 11<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>**

This class is designed to open up the world of literature and writing on a whole new level, while giving students the knowledge and confidence they need to prepare for college. Each week there will be a reading assignment followed by a lecture and class discussion. Readings will include classics like Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing*, the short stories of Nathaniel Hawthorne, and novels such as Herman Melville's *Moby Dick* and Fyodor Dostoevsky's *Crime and Punishment*. Particular emphasis will also be given to the study of poetry. Essays and a Research Paper will be not only assigned but taught. Another highlight of this course will be the focus on developing skills in Grammar, Logic and Rhetoric (the never-to-be-ignored-trio-of-a-foundation for how we think and communicate).

## **Walking through World History: Grades 7<sup>th</sup> -- 9<sup>th</sup>**

Using Streams of Civilization: Earliest Times to the Discovery of the New World (Vol 1), we will cover over 3500 years of human history through a Biblical worldview using the text, historical fiction and current events. Too often the study of history is compartmentalized, but by tying history to current events, students can see the relevance of what they study. Talk about the Persian Empire, then discuss modern-day Iran, and students gain a whole new understanding of the power structure in the Middle East.

Hostage Lands by Douglas Bond will be read first semester. There will be a work of historical fiction assigned over Christmas break and one in the second semester, but they have not yet been selected.

Homework consists of learning vocabulary, reading the text plus outside historical fiction books, oral reports and projects, chapter and vocabulary tests.

## **Intro to Theatre: (Acting/Singing/Dancing): Grades K – 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Learn basics of theatre including stage acting, theatrical movement (dance) and singing, theatre etiquette and teamwork. Acting and improvisation games and exercises will help students prepare skits, monologues, and dances for recital.

Requirements: dress to move; bring shoes that will stay on your feet; water bottle, pencil.

Students will perform in a recital at the end of the semester to show off their skills.

## **Exploring Writing: Grades 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>**

Rosie's writing classes are lively and interactive and provide the direction and inspiration critical for any student. The program focuses on two major themes: First; building the desire and confidence to write, and second; giving children the tools with which to accomplish the task. These classes provide a non-threatening environment that will stimulate and nurture creative expression. Through the use of lively, interactive games and activities students will explore the beauty and riches of the written word, reaching beyond the mechanics of writing, and delighting in the art of invention.

In the first semester students will focus on Creative Writing.

In the second semester we will build upon the skills learned and introduce new topics and themes to explore. Further exposure to the elements, the language and the methods of writing will serve to bring students to the next level. Writing skills will be challenged and refined through classroom instruction, guided practice and at home assignments

## **Astronomy: Grades 6 - 8**

This Astronomy class will take you on a fantastic journey through the solar system covering subjects such as supernovas, red shift, the planets, and much much more! We will learn about major constellations and bright stars, how different objects move through the heavens and the effect those motions have on the earth, seasons, and our calendar. Students will uncover the philosophy and history of astronomy. Students will build models of the solar system: the Earth as planetary model, the moon, terrestrial planets and moons, gas giant planets and moons, asteroids/comets/meteors and the formation of the solar system. This unit offers a variety of investigative, exploratory and cooperative lessons that engage students in becoming active learners. Students will also utilize math, language arts and graphing skills during this unit.

This class will have a field trip to the planetarium

## **World History and Bible: Grades 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>**

(Two High school Credits)

This rigorous, college preparatory survey course will cover Creation to the present in one year. Emphasis will be on class discussions, reading the textbook and primary source documents, and weekly writing assignments (1-3 pages typewritten). Students will not only learn WHAT happened in world history, but WHY it happened as they sharpen their analytical and critical thinking skills.

Curriculum: Exploring World History Volumes I and II by Ray Notgrass, 2nd Edition, \$89.95, (includes In Their Words--Original Documents, Poetry, Stories, and Hymns from World History). The test booklet (\$14.95) will be purchased by the student, but retained and distributed by the teacher. Students will also need to bring their Bible to class.

This class is more difficult than American History because of the scope of history, much of which may be unfamiliar to students, and because the questions students must answer require introspection and self-examination. This class provides a strong foundation for anyone wishing to study for and take the AP World History exam for college credit.

NOTE: This curriculum would allow students to earn a literature credit at home under parental supervision. There will be some outside reading, research and reports.

## **Musical Theatre: Grades 8<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup>**

Learn vocals, dance technique, steps and choreography to popular show tunes and Broadway style songs with a little bit of comedy thrown in. All levels of experience welcome, class is structured to showcase individuals as well as group abilities. Students will learn vocal and physical warm ups and exercises to help keep in vocal shape. Mixes of pop, jazz, retro and lyrical dance are combined to create theatrical routines for recital.

Requirements: jazz shoes or sneakers or character shoes; dress to move, dancewear encouraged but not mandatory, water bottle and pencil.

Students will perform in a recital at the end of the semester to show off their skills.

This is a one semester class, meeting for 1 1/2 hours per week.

## **Literature based Language Arts Studies: Grades 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>**

This comprehensive language arts course covers: Vocabulary, spelling, reading comprehension, and writing while promoting active reading and reflective thinking.

The **Fall Semester** Rosie will cover the award winning books *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* and *Treasures of the Snow*.

In the **Spring Semester** Rosie will cover the award winning books: *Caddie Woodlawn*.

This rich, comprehensive language arts course will include daily at home assignments that will require some parent involvement.

## **General Science: Grades 6 - 8**

Exploring Creation with General Science covers such topics as the scientific method, designing experiments, simple machines, archaeology, geology, paleontology, biology, and human anatomy and physiology. Its scope, therefore, is quite wide. Many hands-on experiments will make this class practical yet exciting.

Students who do not have a lot of experience taking tests which require them to truly master the course material might have trouble with this course at first. However, the study skills required for this course are absolutely essential for high school and beyond.

## **Government/Current Events: 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>**

Knowledge of our Constitutional Rights helps us protect our freedoms. Besides that, a course in government is required for graduation. Using current events and the Notgrass Government curriculum, we will explore the Christian foundations of our nation and learn about the role and process of government.

Second semester will be an in-depth study of the Constitution and its application today. Students will sharpen their critical thinking skills and their legal and historical knowledge as they analyze the Amendments to the Constitution and rule on actual cases presented before the U.S. Supreme Court. We will be studying the book *You Decide! Applying the Bill of Rights to Real Cases*.

This rigorous, college preparatory class is offered for grades 9-12. Political theories and philosophies make this a class requiring a high-level of thinking. This class provides a strong foundation for anyone wishing to study for and take the AP Government and Politics exam for college credit.

## **Readers Theater: Grades 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>**

Readers Theater is an enjoyable activity that allows students to experience stories in a supportive, non-threatening environment that nurtures creativity and imagination. Communication skills are enhanced as children become cognizant of voice projection, appropriate inflection, and accurate pronunciation of words. Children are lured into language that is rich with imagery and extend their vocabulary without effort. This unique mode of student involvement in literature provides a venue to increase comprehension, improve writing skills, challenge creativity, build oral presentation abilities, and finally, increase the student's enjoyment and understanding of literature. The higher levels of thinking skills required creating and share Readers Theater effectively make the process a valuable learning experience.

## **Anatomy & Physiology: Grades 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>**

The Human Body, Fearfully and Wonderfully Made, is our advanced biology course. Combined with Exploring Creation With Biology, it gives the student the equivalent of a university biology course. In other words, these two courses together cover the entire "advanced placement" (AP) curriculum. In order to take this course, the student MUST have completed a first-year biology course AND a first-year chemistry course. It covers both the anatomy and the physiology of the human body's 11 organ systems in detail.

## **BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER: (COMEDY)**

PRODUCTION CLASS: Mon & Wed 4:30 -6:00 p.m. Grades 3 & Up

Students must audition for this class.

For an audition appointment, contact Anicia Brown at: 817-571-9839 or

[thecottagetheatre@creativeartsinaction.com](mailto:thecottagetheatre@creativeartsinaction.com)

Auditions for The Best Christmas Pageant  
Will be held on: May 12 & 14 @ 4:30 p.m.

Class rehearsals will be Mon & Wed 4:30 - 6 p.m. starting August 25th, 2008

Volunteers are also needed: 817.571.9839 or by e-mail at:

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This class is an actual theatrical production and requires a mature and professional attitude as well as a strong commitment. Students will not only gain the experience of a theatrical performance but will receive life lessons in teamwork, perseverance and leadership.

PERFORMANCE DATES: November 21 – 24, 2008 (5 performances)

# Tuesday

## **Prima Latina : Grades 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>**

Did you know that studying Latin could help you learn English grammar? And that French, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish, and Romanian language is derived from Latin? Over half the vocabulary words in English are Latin-based, and the grammar structure is the same.

This introductory Latin class will allow students to learn seven parts of speech (English and Latin Grammar), 125 Latin vocabulary words, and basic usage of tenses, derivatives, conjugations and declensions. Through games, recitation and memorization, students will begin a course of study that will be helpful, not only in their daily lives, but on standardized tests all the way to the College SAT.

Books/Materials needed: Prima Latina Student Book (\$14.00), Prima Latina Pronunciation CD (\$4.95), Prima Latina/Latina Christiana I Flashcards (\$14.95)

## **Latin 1: Grades: 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>**

This class teaches Classical Latin for Beginners using the *Cambridge Latin Series*. Students will follow continuing stories that teach vocabulary, grammar, translation, as well as some history of the early Romans. This is an excellent opportunity for students to learn root words that will strengthen their Basic English skills in vocabulary and reading comprehension. Close attention will be given to the best and most efficient methods for learning languages. These skills, paired with the study of Latin will help students to master other languages quickly, (especially Romance languages such as French, Italian, Portuguese, Romanian, and Spanish).

## **Around the World in 840 Minutes: Grades 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>**

Send your child around the world without ever leaving Texas! In this 14-week trip, your child will visit countries on every continent, and learn about each country's people, art, music, food and geography. Guest tour guides will assist us in our travels; who will give us an insider's view of select countries.

This class will culminate with an invitation for you to capture the highlights of our travels. Equipped with maps, passport and travel brochures you too can experience the journey, meet the people, taste the food, and enjoy the music as you feel the heartbeat of God's people across His world. Hurry, or you'll miss the plane!

## **Exploring American History: Grades 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>**

Using a new curriculum designed by a home school mom, students will learn about the history of our nation from the Explorers to the present in this year-long class.

The curriculum will provide the basic skeleton of learning, and the class discussions and additional research projects will add the meat. Join us as we explore the history of our nation and its relevance for us today.

### **Junior Musical Theatre: Grades 4<sup>th</sup> –7<sup>th</sup>**

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### **Acting Up: Grades 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>**

This class will improve acting skills, give confidence and keep you in theatrical shape for future productions! Includes character development and analysis; exercises in projection, posture and focus plus improvisational games. Some of the skills learned include keeping character, proper stage movement, blocking, timing, etc. Monologues, duets & scenes will be prepared for recital.

Requirements: serious attention to detail, pencil, bottle of water.

### **Exploring Writing with Literature: Grades 7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>**

This is a comprehensive language arts and literature studies course that will provide opportunities for writing, and cover: vocabulary, spelling, active reading and reflective thinking. Some of the studies will culminate with special Readers Theatre presentations. Students will also explore a wide variety of writing styles and genres, including paragraph and essay writing, working to develop style, technique and form. Writing skills will be challenged and refined through classroom instruction, guided practice and at home assignments.

We will study the novels, *The Bronze Bow* and *Words by Heart*. Required Text Book: Write Source 2000 grade 8. (Available in our store)

### **Texas History: Grades 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>**

Do you know which "Six Flags" have flown over Texas? Or that Texas was once an independent country, which is why we can fly our state flag as high as the US flag?

Study Texas history with a former Alamo Tour Guide and learn about your state from the earliest days of Spanish Exploration to the present, when a Texan occupies the highest office in the land.

This chronological study will include Internet research, oral and written reports, and an end-of-semester project. In addition to Texas history, students will learn study skills, including note taking during lectures and reports, and outlining texts and test taking.

### **Algebra 2:**

Algebra 2 includes extensive lessons in geometry. Which equates one informal semester of geometry, with essential concepts from Algebra 1. Tests and quizzes are given in class.

Prerequisites: Saxon Algebra 1, other Algebra 1 curriculum, or approval of instructor.

Materials: Spiral notebook, notebook paper and pencils will be provided. Scientific calculators (graphing ones not necessary), graph paper, a ruler and a compass are required. Textbook: Saxon Algebra 2, 2nd edition

# Wednesday

## **Super-Math 3 & 4:**

Super-Math 3 is for children ages 6-12 who understand addition and subtraction although their skills may be far from perfect. The program teaches mastery of basic skills and introduces borrowing, carrying, multiplication and division concepts, as well as rapid calculation skills.

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester, Super-Math 4 will complete the mastery of the basic skills and advance into powers, derivation of roots, into to fractions, and decimals. The student will also continue to acquire rapid calculations skills. Graduation criteria is Grand Facts-Master.

## **Super-Math 5 & 6:**

Super-Math 5 is for teens and advanced pre-teens who can already multiply and divide. The course teaches mastery of all math operations, powers, factoring and signed numbers. Students also continue to increase their knowledge of fractions and rapid calculation skills and memory training.

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester, Super-Math Six, students will master factoring, powers, roots, signed numbers, advanced calculation skills, and practice all 8 operations with fractions. Graduation Criteria is Factor-Master.

## **Super-Math 7 and 8: Algebra / Geometry**

The fundamentals of algebra such as function concepts, symbolic reasoning, and basic graphing skills as well as rapid calculation skills are vital to acing the SAT. This course is the foundation for all other high school math and is critical to the success of all students.

The First Semester will cover Super-Math Seven involving factoring, powers, roots and fractions and in the second Semester students will go on the learn all the skills found in Super-Math Eight needed for Algebra and Geometry and rapid calculation skills to prepare your students to ACE the SAT.

## **Super-Math 8: Pre-requisite – Super-Math 7**

The fundamentals of algebra such as function concepts, symbolic reasoning, and basic graphing skills as well as rapid calculation skills are vital to acing the SAT. This course is the foundation for all other high school math and is critical to the success of all students. Trained teachers under the direction of Dr. Miles Jones will lead classes. Students will learn all the skills found in Super-Math Eight needed for Algebra and Geometry and rapid calculation skills to prepare your students to ACE the SAT. PRE-REQUISITE!! Must have completed Super Math 6 or 7!!

## **Super Math 6:**

In Super-Math Six, students will master factoring, powers, roots, signed numbers, advanced calculation skills, and practice all 8 operations with fractions. Graduation Criteria is Factor-Master.

PRE-REQUISITE!! Must have completed Super Math 5!!

## **Super Math 4:**

Super-Math 4 will complete the mastery of the basic skills and advance into powers, derivation of roots, into to fractions, and decimals. The student will also continue to acquire rapid calculations skills. Graduation criteria is Grand Facts- Master.

PRE-REQUISITE!! Must have complete Super Math 3!!

## **Algebra 1: Saxon**

Algebra 1 covers all topics in a first-year algebra course, from proofs, statistics, and probability to algebra-based, real-world problems. Tests and quizzes are given in class. Prerequisites: Saxon Algebra 1/2, other pre-Algebra curriculum, or approval of instructor.

## **Exploring Geography: Grades 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>**

US and World

In this class students will embark on a journey around the world in 32 weeks. This adventure will launch an investigative study of peoples, places, cultures, religions, governments and more. Students will learn how location, topography and history influence a people and their culture.

This class will culminate with an invitation for you to capture the highlights of our travels. Equipped with maps, research, and current events, you too can experience the journey, meet the people, taste the food, and enjoy the music as you feel the heartbeat of God's people across His world.

Homework consists primarily of map work, study for tests, occasional reading assignments and the gathering of information on current events and preparation of oral reports. Emphasis is on memorization and gaining confidence in speaking in class.

## **Acting and Improv: Grades 8<sup>th</sup> –12<sup>th</sup>**

This class will improve acting skills, give confidence and keep you in theatrical shape for future productions! Includes character development and analysis; exercises in projection, posture and focus plus improvisational games. Some of the skills learned include keeping character, proper stage movement, blocking, timing, etc. Monologues, duets & scenes will be prepared for recital.

Requirements: serious attention to detail, pencil, bottle of water

## **Consumer Math: Grades 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>**

Bob Jones

Consumer Math will prepare students to manage their own money, as well as that of their family. It can be counted as a full year math credit. It would consist of the following topics, examining them from a Christian perspective:

- review of basic math skills
- income and income taxes
- budgeting and personal banking
- acquiring and maintaining a home
- life and health insurance
- borrowing money
- transportation, food and clothing
- vacations

## **Exploring Geography HS: Grades 10<sup>th</sup> –12<sup>th</sup>**

### **US and World**

In this college preparatory class students will embark on a journey around the world in 32 weeks. This adventure will launch an investigative study of peoples, places, cultures, governments and more. Students will learn how climate, location, topography and history influence a people and their culture.

This class will culminate with an invitation for you to capture the highlights of our travels. You too can experience the journey, meet the people, taste the food, and enjoy the music as you feel the heartbeat of God's people across His world. Homework will include a variety of fun research projects, map work, and the preparation of oral and visual reports.

This class provides a strong foundation for anyone wishing to study for and take the AP Human Geography exam for college credit in Spring 2009.

## **Intro to Speech: Grades 7<sup>th</sup>- up**

This class focuses on the components of a successful presentation, introducing a variety of speaking styles including recitations, expository speaking, persuasive speaking, and impromptu. Students will build confidence as they work on developing physical and vocal expression. This class will provide several opportunities for students to deliver their oral presentations to an audience.

This class provides the avenue for students to develop critical, lifelong communication skills.

The class will culminate with a competitive speech tournament.

## **Advanced Math: Pre-Calculus/Trigonometry)**

Saxon Advanced Math, 2nd edition

Advanced Mathematics interweaves concepts from algebra, geometry, trigonometry, discrete mathematics, and analysis for a fully integrated understanding of advanced mathematics to help students prepare for college entrance exams such as the SAT and ACT and for Calculus. Tests and quizzes are given in class.

Prerequisites: Saxon Algebra 2, other Algebra 2 curriculum, or approval of instructor.

Materials: Spiral notebook, notebook paper and pencils will be provided. Scientific calculators (graphing ones not necessary), graph paper, a ruler and a compass are required.

# Thursday

## **Exploring Art: Grades 1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>**

This spring, “Exploring Art” will focus on the Elements of Art: Shape, Line, Mass, Color, Texture, and Value. Children will learn the importance of each of these components and how they work together to create a beautiful piece of art. We will be using different mediums to explore these ideas, such as drawing, watercolor, collage, acrylic, papermaking, and sculpting. These projects will enable your children to “see” like an artist and develop their creativity and imagination.

## **Exploring Spanish: Grades 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Learn basic Spanish conversation through the use of games, songs, books, and hands-on activities. There will be an emphasis on conversation, although reading and writing will be incorporated into the fun. The class will concentrate on introductions, greetings, numbers 0 – 100, colors, shapes, food, animals, and family.

**Requirements:** knowledge of alphabet, recognition of numbers to 20, ability to read some words, and a three ring binder.

## **Spanish Conversation I: Grades 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>**

Learn basic Spanish conversation through the use of games, songs, books, and hands-on activities. There will be an emphasis on conversation, although reading and writing will be incorporated into the fun. The class will concentrate on introductions, greetings, the Spanish alphabet, vowel sounds, spelling in Spanish, numbers 0 – 100, colors, shapes, food, animals, and family.

**Requirements:** Ability to read and write with a desire to learn, a paperback Spanish dictionary (available in the store) and a three ring binder.

## **Biology with Lab: Grades 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>**

Exploring Creation with Biology is a college-prep biology course that provides a detailed introduction to the methods and concepts of general biology. Heavily emphasizing the vocabulary of biology, it provides the student with a strong background in the scientific method, the five-kingdom classification scheme, microscopy, biochemistry, cellular biology, molecular and Mendelian genetics, evolution, dissection, and ecosystems. It also provides a complete survey of the five kingdoms in Creation. Please note that this course does not contain a discussion of human anatomy and physiology. Students who take and understand this course will be very well-prepared for a tough university biology course. The student text contains all student material, on-your-own questions and solutions, laboratory exercises, and chapter study guides. Color illustrations and diagrams. It is recommended that the student take this course during the same year that he or she is taking Algebra 1 or have already completed Algebra 1.

## **Studio Art: Grades 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>** **Drawing and Painting**

This class is designed to instruct and coach students in basic drawing and painting skills. Students will study the elements of art, color schemes and compositions, and learn different painting styles. They will explore various mediums including pastel, charcoal, oil, acrylic and watercolor.

## **A Journey through Fairy Tales: Grades K – 3<sup>rd</sup>**

This class is sure to capture a child's God given imagination and sense of adventure while sending them on a learning journey that is fun and exciting. Components of the class include reading fairy tales, comparing Cinderella stories from around the world, drama, puppets, and writing/or dictating to the teacher their own fairy tale. This is a unit study that will include: language arts, social studies, drama, and music.

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## **Spanish Conversation II: Grades 2<sup>nd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>**

Continuing Spanish conversation through the use of games, songs, books, and hands-on activities. There will be an emphasis on conversation, writing, and reading. The class will concentrate on conjugation in several tenses, grammar, vocabulary building, and fluency. This class will have more outside work than Spanish Conversation I.

Requirements: to read and write well, previous year of Spanish, and a desire to learn. A paperback Spanish dictionary,(available in the store) and a three ring binder.

This is a 28-week - two semester class, meeting once a week for 1 hour.

## **Art History & Appreciation: – Grades 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>**

In Art History & Appreciation, students will recognize God as Creator and Author of individual, human creativity. Students will learn the elements and principles of visual organization-design, learn and use basic art/design vocabulary and experiment with methods and materials of Art in both two and three dimensional forms.

Students will also discover the artist's role in history and culture, practice art criticism in a logical thinking sequence and be able to express personal views and styles within a Christian Worldview.

This is a 2-year program: Students can join in for any semester, space available.

Year 1: Fall 2008 - Art from Noah through High Renaissance (1520): Da Vinci, Raphael, Michelangelo.

Year 1: Spring 2009 - European Art, Reformation through Revolution (1600 - 1800): Italy, England, Germany.

Year 2: Fall 2009 - French Art, Impressionism & Expressionism (1800 - 1900): Monet, Renoir, Van Gogh.

Year 2: Spring 2010 - American Art, Revolution to Contemporary (1700 - 2000): Cole, Hopper, O'Keeffe.

This class represents 1/2 credit per year.

## **Stage Craft: Ages 13 and up**

Students will explore the history of stage design as well as creating sets and props for our Theatre Productions.

## **Literature with Writing: Grades 9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>**

This is a comprehensive language arts and literature studies course that will provide opportunities for writing, and cover: vocabulary, spelling, active reading and reflective thinking. Some of the studies will culminate with special Readers Theatre presentations.  
Grades 9 - 10

The fall semester Kari will cover the award winning books *The Hiding Place* by Corrie Ten Boom and *The Trumpeter of Krakow* by Eric P. Kelly.

In the Spring Semester Kari will cover *The Scarlet Pimpernel* by Baroness Emmuska Orezy.

Grades 10 -11

In the Fall Semester Kari will cover the award winning books *Around the World in Eighty Days* by Jules Vern and *The Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne.

In the Spring Semester Kari will cover *A Tale of Two Cities* by Charles Dickens

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## **Exploring Creation with Botany: Grades 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>**

This class begins with a lesson on the nature of botany and the process of classifying plants. We will also learn the development of plants from seeds, the reproduction processes in plants, the way plants make their food, and how plants get their water and nutrients and distribute them throughout the body of the plant. As we study these topics, we will also learn about many different kinds of plants in Creation and where these plants belong in the plant classification system. As part of this class we will plant and care for our own garden.

## **Zoology I – Flying Creatures: Grades 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>**

In this class, we will begin exploring the dynamics of flight and animal classification, understanding why the design we see in these incredible creatures points us to our Creator God. Then, get ready for the exciting adventure of learning about birds. Your children will learn how to attract various bird species to your yard and identify them by looking at their special physical characteristics, diverse nests, and interesting domestic practices. They will also learn the anatomy and the glorious design that enables birds to do remarkable things. After becoming amateur ornithologists, your children will explore the world of chiropterology, which is the study of bats.

## **History Comes Alive: Grades 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>**

Experience an in-depth look at the American Revolutionary War and the Civil War. We will spend an entire year covering those two periods in American history. We will begin in the fall by looking at America's Godly heritage, why our founding fathers emigrated here from England, the colonization of America and the foundation of the republic, to include an in-depth look at the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. We will read literature from that era, and explore the geography and culture of the time. For the second semester we will do an in-depth look at the Civil War. We will discover how this was the most traumatic war in our nation's history. We will read journals of children from that time period, learn about the history, the food, the culture and more! The students will perform a reader's theater and create dioramas.

## **Triple Threat: Grades 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>**

TTT – Triple Threat Texas

Become part of the elite show choir in the DFW-Mid Cities area! Triple Threat is the term given to one, who is strong in all three areas of singing, dancing and acting.

Commitment:

1. You must audition and you would have to commit rehearsals on Thursday afternoons 4:30 - 6 p.m.
2. You must commit to performing at any pre-scheduled exhibitions, shows, events and presentations. The performance schedule will be given as soon as bookings start.

Benefits:

A learning adventure in a positive setting;

Becoming part of the CAIA legacy;

A camaraderie that can only be found in a team atmosphere;

A great experience and addition to your resume';

By audition only: Contact Anicia Brown at: [thecottage theatre@creativeartsinaction.com](mailto:thecottage theatre@creativeartsinaction.com)

Auditioning students must have a monologue or a song or a dance routine prepared (a combination of any two would be best.) Auditions are generally held in May.

Students will learn musical theatre scenes, songs and dances and may be required to rehearse outside of the scheduled class time. This troupe will receive continuous training and will need to be available to represent the best of CAIA for any scheduled exhibition or event. Performances will be booked in various locations in the DFW area including but not limited to churches, private schools, nursing homes and hospitals, as well as the Cottage Theatre.

## **Geometry: Grades 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>**

# Friday

## **Super-Math Captains Course:**

This special Course taught by Dr. Jones will focus on perfecting and expanding upon student's rapid mental calculation and super-memory skills. Not only will students travel to public demonstrations of their Super-Math skills throughout the Metropolis, but they will also take turns leading the demo. The Captains Course is not only for older students. Graduates of Super math 3 and super-Math 5 are encouraged to participate. They will be required to purchase Math 4 or 6 and complete them as part of the program. They will also learn additional memory projects. The Captains Course is for ALL students that have completed at least one semester of Super-Math and received an A Grade... and who desire to be Super-Math Team Captains.

## **Super-Math 9 SAT Prep:**

Class Time: 2 hours - This is a 16-week, one-semester course! All payments are due prior to the end of the first semester. Parents are REQUIRED to sit in on all the classes to learn the techniques of Accelerated Learning and to be able to help your students master the curriculum.

Dr. Jones teaches this SAT Prep Class. Pre-requisite: Super-Math 8.

## **Super-Reading/Speed Reading: Grades 7 - 9 and Grades 9 - 12**

The Super-Reading Laboratory is a speed-reading course that focuses on reading and discussion literature and other materials. It is an intensive reading course that accelerates speed, vocabulary and comprehension. It produces immediate and dynamic results.

Trained teachers under the personal direction of Dr. Miles Jones will lead classes.

Class Time: 1 hour - This is a one-semester 16-week course! Parents are REQUIRED to sit in on all of the classes of at least one level to learn the techniques of Accelerated Learning to be able to help your students master the curriculum.

## **SAT Math Prep:**

This SAT math review course will familiarize students with the format of the SAT, and teach testing techniques and strategies. A diagnostic test will first be given. Then each class will consist of a timed practice test, followed by a discussion of any questions the students have about problems they could not successfully work. There will be a comprehensive review of basic mathematics, algebra, and geometry concepts each class, with appropriate homework assigned. Homework questions will also be addressed.

Prerequisites: Algebra 1: Geometry and Algebra 2 are desired, but not required.

## **Super-Language for Spanish I: Grades 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>**

Learn to communicate in Spanish 3 to 5 times faster than by traditional language courses. Using illustrated dialog of literature classics, students learn via extensive contact with interesting stories in a way that is easily comprehensible. This material and methodology has been tested for decades. Trained teachers under the personal direction of Dr. Miles Jones teach the art and science of accelerated learning of languages.

## **Super-Language for Spanish II: Grades 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>**

Learn to communicate in Spanish 3 to 5 times faster than by traditional language courses. Using illustrated dialog of literature classics, students learn via extensive contact with interesting stories in a way that is easily comprehensible. This material and methodology has been tested for decades. Trained teachers under the personal direction of Dr. Miles Jones teach the art and science of accelerated learning of languages.