

Studio Art: Tools for the Imagination

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What is a studio space?

Creative	Stimulating	Dynamic
Inspiring	Messy	Open-ended
Colorful	Child-initiated	Hands-on
Challenging	Busy	Meaningful
Evolving	Risk-taking	Flexible
Encouraging		Inviting

Aspects of a studio space.

- Supports playful, **open-ended** (and often messy) experiences with sensory materials for everyone, including infants and toddlers.
- Offers **authentic or "risky" materials** and tools that provide challenges in a safe environment.
- Provides first time **access to artists**, performers and arts educators with a variety of artistic backgrounds and philosophies.
- Provides access to high quality, repurposed, and **artist-quality materials**.
- Provides opportunities to dedicate **time** to the art-making process.
- Valuing the art of children and local artists through the thoughtful **display** of their work.
- Providing children and adults the skills and tools to **extend their art experiences** to their home or classroom.
- Is **physically flexible** to accommodate different kinds of programming: drop-in, closed workshops, papermaking, high and low attendance times.
- **Programming is also flexible** to accommodate visitors of a variety of ages and abilities.
- An **inspiring**, beautiful, thoughtful space!