Dear Fellow Educators,

The Dunedin Fine Art Center, a Pinellas County School approved tour site, invites you to participate in a wonderful and unique opportunity, the 25th annual children’s hands-on exhibit, A Toy Story: New and beloved Favorites. This interactive, hands-on experience for 4.5 to 12 years old provides an environment where you can explore how Art and Science go hand in hand in the wonderful world of “Play”. Work in a Toy designers’ shop, use your building imagination with items like Tinker Toys and Lincoln Logs, watercolor toy still lifes, animated chalk wall Space Cadets, dance with toys in our own green screen theater, create colorful images with our giant lite bright table, draw with laser powered crayons, barrel of monkeys for sure, giant connect four, stop motion mania with tiny toys plus vintage toys on display. These and more wonderful experiences are waiting for your students here at DFAC and by using Art, Science, humor, and History to explore the theme, fun and learning are boundless.

Our tour consists of three components:

1) Students start with a 30-45 minute engaging gallery discussion involving science, history, social influence and impact, principles and elements of design, creative problem solving and humor.

2) Students proceed to the hands-on interactive area where they explore, create and build on concepts and images from the original artworks seen in the gallery. Time in the hands-on area is 30-45 minutes.

3) Students gather in the studio for a teacher directed exhibit related activity involving imagination and motor skills.

Total tour time is two hours and the Center offers a discounted fee of three dollars per student. NGSS, FCAT, Common Core Standards, etc can easily be identified and correlated to all three stages of our tours. We hope your teachers will be able to take advantage of this special resource in this community.

Thank you for your attention,

Todd Still
Director of Youth Education
Admission is $3/person- Includes a gallery talk, hands on museum and studio activity time. Please give us a call with any questions, 727-298-3322.

To schedule a tour:
Please fill out the form below and fax to 727-298-3326 or email to Shannon@dfac.org.

School: ___________________________
Grade: ___________________________
Teacher: ___________________________
# of students: _______ Ages _______
Date: 1st choice ___________
       2nd choice ___________
       3rd choice ___________
       (Monday - Friday only)
Time: 9:30-11:30 _____
      10:00 - 12:00 _____
      10:30 - 12:30 _____
      Other ___________
Phone: ___________________________
Contact: ___________________________
email: ___________________________

Any Special Needs/Concerns: ___________________________

Please check one:
Photos acceptable

Photos acceptable except the following: ___________________________
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Note: DFAC is a 501c3 non-profit and uses the photographs for grant documentation and the promotion of programs.

Office Use:  Booked _____ By ___________ Paid ___________

Gallery Exhibitions
9/8/23 – 10/15/23
Rossi Gallery
LOL: Funny Papers
All Media Call for Artists! Inviting artworks incorporating comics, illustrations, zines and mixed media collage. Juried selections made by DFAC’s Curatorial Team. Guest Judge, cash awards. (50 artists)

9/8/23 – 10/15/23
Meta Brown Gallery
PLAY On!
This exhibition of Artist-made Toys represents artworks in all media. In some instances, the toys were originally created for the artists’ own children and grandchildren and in other cases, reveal artists simply celebrating the spirit of PLAY, which we know, they ALL excel at! (22 artists)

9/15/23 – 12/23/23
Douglas-Whitley Gallery
At Home with City of Ghosts
This multi-media exhibit will feature the personal artwork of 15 City of Ghosts creators, highlighting each artist’s individual visions, passion projects, and more. Developed by Elizabeth Ito, City of Ghosts is an Emmy and Peabody Award-winning show that premiered on Netflix in March 2021 and tells stories about Los Angeles neighborhoods through the lens of a group of children and the ghosts they encounter. Curated by Nathan Beard.
9/15/23 – 12/23/23
Entel Family Gallery
Nancee Clark
“My work reflects a personal mythology . . . Intentional ambiguity challenges familiar assumptions with an unanticipated and often humorous play of ideas exposing human folly.” Nancee Clark is a southern artist who has exhibited nationally and internationally. Her professional experience includes past directorships, university teaching and she been recipient of numerous awards and her paintings are included in various corporate and museum collections.

9/15/23 – 12/23/23
Gamble Family Gallery
Amy Santoferraro
With extensive study, practice and teaching in the ceramic arts. Amy Santoferraro’s works are a combination of kitsch collectibles and crafted clay elements that make the familiar, unfamiliar—assigning objects a new imagined life. (1 artist)

11/3/23 – 12/23/23
Syd Entel Founders Hall, Meta B. Brown & Rossi Galleries
Five Golden Rings
Artful creations celebrating the season! DFAC’s annual national invitational of fine art, craft + design offers a fusion of gallery elegance with a marketplace of cool, affordable hand-made goods. (70 artists)

1/14/24 – 2/25/24
Syd Entel Founders Hall
Wallace McGuire: Drawn Together
Enjoy this gathering of friends, drawn over time with the loving attention of an artist’s eye. (1 Artist)

1/14/24 – 2/25/24
Gamble Family Gallery
Florida West Coast Goldsmith Society
FWCGS has been a vital and magnanimous partner to DFAC’s Jewelry program. This exhibition celebrates the creative work of their dynamic membership. (16 artists)

1/14/24 – 2/25/24
John + Pat Rossi Gallery
Come Closer . . .
Community Call for Entries for tiny artworks in all media. Guest Judge and cash awards! (50 artists)

3/15/24 – 3/16/24
Rossi, Meta B. Brown, Gamble + Entel Family Galleries + Founders Hall
Trashy Treasures
Tampa Bay’s Most Beloved Art Garage Sale with Friday Night Silent Auction Bash! (200 Artists)

4/5/24 – 5/19/24
Gamble Family, Douglas-Whitley, Meta B. Brown + Rossi Galleries
Summa & Magna: DFAC Student & Member Exhibition
All students and members are eligible to exhibit one work of art in any medium, competing for cash prizes selected by a guest juror. (300 Artists)

4/5/24 – 5/19/24
Entel Family Gallery
Faculty
DFAC’s honored faculty exhibit concurrent with our annual Student & Member exhibitions. Witness the full range of creative talents shared and cultivated at our mighty fine art center! (40 Artists)

3/29/24 – 5/19/24
Teaching Gallery
The Secret Life of Art Teachers
This long overdue exhibition celebrates The Secret Life of Art Teachers . . . True Heroes + Sheroes—these fabulous creators show us what they do when they’re not working. And you guessed it—it’s more work, but this work is THEIRS. (16 Artists)