

Nakanoshima Museum of Art, Osaka

“NAKKA Kids” Learning Program for Children Starts!

This summer at Nakanoshima Museum of Art, Osaka, the “NAKKA Kids” learning program for children will begin in earnest.

The NAKKA Kids program aims to get children get away from textbooks and copybooks, to give free rein to children’s creativity and imagination, to introduce children to a variety of objects, ideas, and people, and to give them exciting and thrilling experiences. In collaboration with various specialized institutions, we are planning and implementing a variety of programs that make use of content displayed at Nakanoshima Museum of Art, Osaka.

NAKKA: a short name for NAKANOSHIMA MUSEUM OF ART, OSAKA consisting of the full name’s first three letters (NAK) followed by the last two letters (KA)

Round one will consist of a workshop to be held three times this year, in cooperation with “graf yochien,” an educational program for children operated by “graf,” a creative unit based in Osaka. Beyond simply making “things,” the workshops will entail forms of expression that make use of the whole body. At the same time that it enriches children’s senses and makes creating accessible, this program aims to expand the scope of the children’s communication. Through making full use of their five senses, the children will experience the infinite space between sound and music, between movement and dance, and between a variety of other things.

For round two, we invited “andminna” to serve as navigator of an interactive art appreciation program. Taking a child’s-eye view, we will make time and space for children to have fun and let their imaginations run wild, leaving time to actively listen to their words.

By having the children look closely at art works and listen to what other children have to say about them, we aim to let them taste the excitement of expanding their experience of art through new realizations, and savor the pleasure of engaging in dialogue.



■ NAKKA Kids Communication program

Session 1: "Making Sounds" Let's make things that produce sound from household items that are no longer needed! What kinds of sounds will be created? How do we need to move objects in order to produce sounds? Feel free to try moving different "things" and putting together various combinations in order to find ways to create the sounds you want. Let's enjoy the world that opens up from a single sound.



Dates:	August 18th (Thursday) and 19th (Friday), 2022
Morning sessions:	10:30-12:00 (90 minutes) Registration from 10:15
Afternoon sessions:	14:00-15:30 (90 minutes) Registration from 13:45
Venue:	Nakanoshima Museum of Art, Osaka 1F workshop
Organizer:	Nakanoshima Museum of Art, Osaka
Presenter:	graf yochien
Target audience:	Elementary school students
Capacity:	10 participants per session
Admission fee:	Free
Application:	Pre-registration required; admission on first-come, first-served basis

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- * Children who have not yet started school are not eligible to participate.
- * In order to allow children to create freely, based on their own sensibilities, we ask parents to refrain from observing. Please register your child only if this is acceptable.
- * The museum will provide materials for creating sounds.

Session2: Creating Movements (provisional title) Scheduled for October 2022

Session3: Creating Dance (provisional title) Scheduled for March 2023

● About graf yochien

"graf yochien" primarily organizes children's workshops that combine "making things" with "learning." Children learn about history, traditions, and cultural themes that are rooted in their local surroundings and/or way of life, then they use the knowledge and ideas they have gained as hints that inspire their creative activities. Through graf's unique style of learning, we pass on the excitement and thrill of discovering new knowledge.



■ NAKKA Kids Interactive Art Appreciation Program

Art Chat Time

Let's look at real art works in the Exhibition galleries, then let's all talk to each other! Something amazing happens when you talk, listen, and think freely about what you felt in response to a work of art.... suddenly whole new worlds open up!

Dates:	September 10th (Saturday) and 11th (Sunday), 2022
Morning sessions:	10:30-12:00 (90 minutes) Registration from 10:15
Afternoon sessions:	10 th : 13:30-15:00 (90 minutes) Registration from 13:15 11 th : 14:00-15:30 (90 minutes) Registration from 13:45
Venue:	Nakanoshima Museum of Art, Osaka 1F workshop (assembly) and 5 th floor Exhibition gallery: Our City - Portrait of Osaka exhibition (Part 2)
Organizer:	Nakanoshima Museum of Art, Osaka
Presenter:	andminna
Target audience:	Elementary school students * Elementary students may be accompanied by a sibling under 6; unaccompanied children under 6 may not participate
Capacity:	15 participants per session
Admission fee:	Free
Application:	Pre-registration required; admission on first-come, first-served basis; registration expected to begin Aug. 18

<https://nakka-art.jp/program-post/nakka-program-202209/>

* In order to avoid congestion in the exhibition gallery, only one guardian may accompany each child. A separate ticket is required for accompanying adults (high school students and older) to enter the exhibition gallery. (Elementary students and younger may enter free of charge.)

● About andminna

"andminna" is all about everyone enjoying art together. It was established by former members of Kids Plaza Osaka's Creative Studio, which has implemented many programs that draw out children's creativity by having them make things. Andminna produces spaces where children can freely express their insights and ideas by creating art and by engaging in interactive art appreciation. In the process of sharing real works of art with everyone, andminna guides each group toward enjoying new worlds together by sharing feelings and noticing differences.

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