

Project Summary:

Pay for Cabrillo Elementary School students to attend art classes held at Liberty Station
This is undoubtedly one of our most impactful projects in our local Point Loma community.

Project History:

23/24 School Year: Donated \$6,000 for Cabrillo School. \$3,000 from Club + \$3,000 from District.

24/25 School Year: Donated \$6,000 for Cabrillo School. \$3,000 from Club + \$3,000 from District.

Project Details:

Cabrillo Elementary School is located in Point Loma, San Diego CA and has very little in community support due to, among other things, a transient population of military families who are subject to deployment at any time. One significant lack at this school is any type of arts program.

This project will help pay for students to attend the NTC Foundation's Arts Education Program for Underserved Youth. Instruction is held in the Liberty Station Arts District. The program uses different fields of art to help students learn in new and creative ways; to promote a positive learning attitude; to increase self-esteem; and to encourage exploration of new possibilities for the future. Because these students come from a variety of backgrounds, students attending this program will receive learning opportunities that are not otherwise available without outside support from community groups.

The students will take classes with professionals in the fields of photography, dance, art, music, playwriting, animation, writing, and more at no charge to the students or their school.

The timeline for this project takes place during the 25/26 school year.

Project funds will be used to help pay for instructors' time, materials and bus transportation between Cabrillo Elementary School and Liberty Station.

Local community groups already involved in this project include Point Loma Assembly and Point Loma Optimists.

Point Loma Rotary Club members will periodically be able to observe various art classes while in session with the students.

See additional information attached.



ARTS DISTRICT

LIBERTY STATION

May 13, 2025

Point Loma Rotary
PO Box 6454
San Diego CA 92166

Dear Point Loma Rotary,

On behalf of the board and staff of the NTC Foundation, I would like to thank you for your generous \$6,000 donation to the NTC Foundation Liberty School Arts Educational Program at Arts District Liberty Station. Your gift contributed to the Liberty School programming for students at Cabrillo Elementary.

In the 2024-25 school year, our staff, partners, and teaching artists have had the opportunity to meet and engage with 102 Cabrillo youth, ranging from 1st – 4th grade – to provide access to meaningful exposure in a multidisciplinary arts experience that is unique in the San Diego region. This year thanks to your contribution a total of 5 classes, one more than the previous year, were able to participate.


As you know, Liberty School's primary focus is to integrate the arts into the school curriculum, incorporating a unique approach to education that fosters creativity and incorporates student's learning styles and abilities. To that end, the teaching artists provide instruction through experiential opportunities in a variety of art forms. "Twas the perfect balance of listening, learning, student voice and hands on experience!!" said one of the 3rd grade teachers, Ms. Lamb.

Anecdotal evidence and survey responses have reinforced that the Liberty Station experience positively impacts students' social-emotional learning and the cultivation of a growth mindset. Other impact areas we've seen include:

- Positive changes in student attendance and behavior
- Improved academic performance of students
- Increased class participation and improved ability to focus and follow instructions

Thank you again for your significant generosity and support!

Warmest regards,



James Halliday
VP & Chief Advancement Officer
Arts District Liberty Station

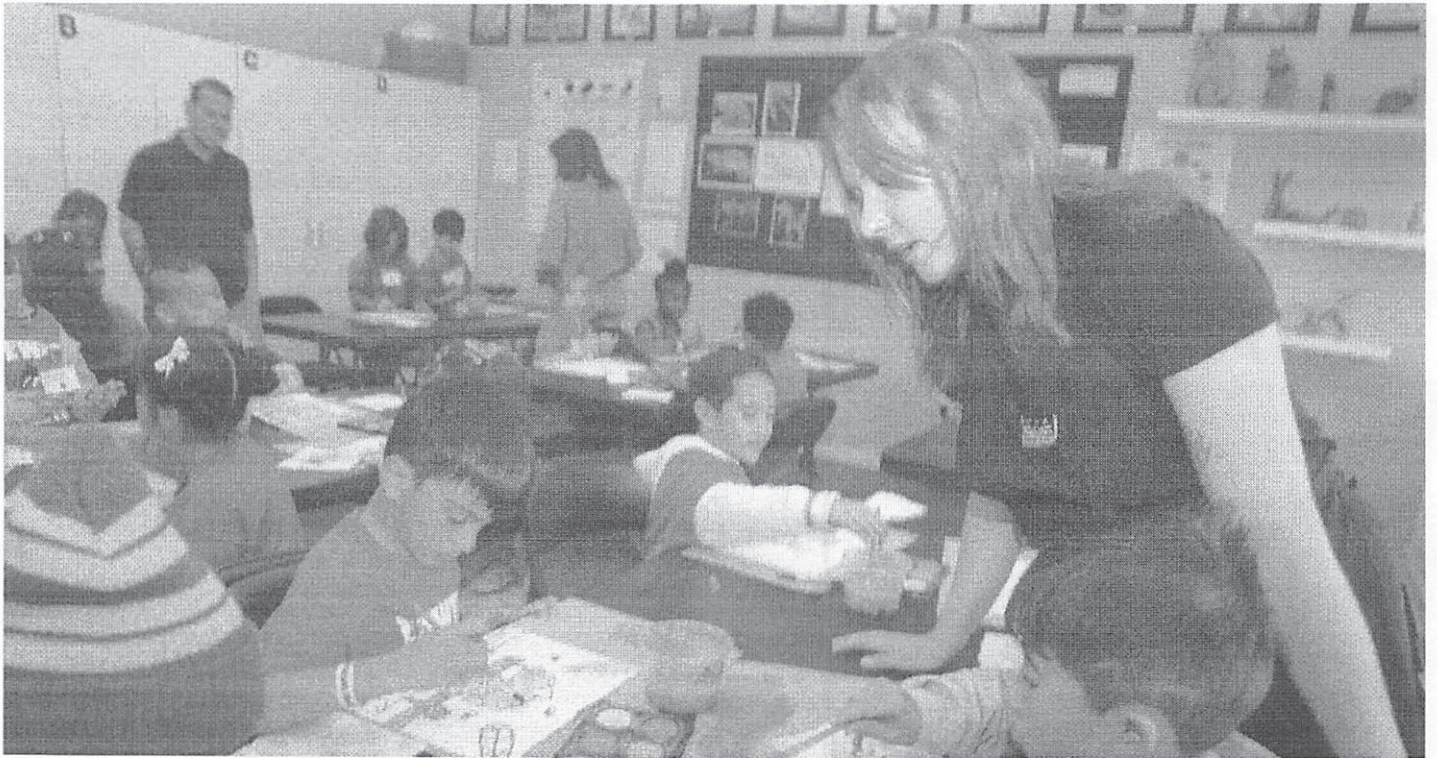


Join the Friends of Arts District Liberty Station!
(<https://artsdistrictlibertystation.org/friends>)



Liberty School

Learning in a Whole New Way



Arts District Liberty Station's Arts Education Program for Underserved Youth

Liberty School, founded by the Arts District Liberty Station in 2007, aims to support and inspire local school-aged children who face socio-economic challenges and who may be at risk for academic success. By providing access to arts education, Liberty

School offers these underserved students an opportunity to engage with various art forms, helping them process their emotions, develop critical thinking skills, and enhance their ability to learn.

Arts education has been shown to have a positive impact on students, offering a creative outlet for self-expression and fostering important skills such as problem-solving, collaboration, and communication. By exposing underserved children to the arts, Liberty School not only enriches their educational experiences but also opens up new avenues for personal and academic growth.

Art professionals, who partner with Liberty School, provide a range of artistic activities, including visual arts, music, theater, dance, and more. These activities can help students discover and explore their creative abilities, boost their confidence, and develop a lifelong appreciation for the arts.

By focusing on students who may be at risk, Liberty School plays a vital role in addressing educational inequalities and nurturing the potential of underserved youth. By providing access to arts education, Liberty School helps to level the playing field and give these students the tools they need to succeed not only academically, but contributes to their holistic development and paves the way for a brighter future.

Who are Liberty School students?

Liberty School programming brings grade 1 – grade 5 students, ranging from ages 6 – 11, from local Title 1 San Diego schools to Liberty Station, to experience the extraordinary Arts District Liberty Station. Students engage in a multi-week session of California Standards-based instruction embedding in the Arts. Youths take classes from in-resident teaching artists in the fields of dance, art, music, improv, martial arts, writing, quilting, and more, at no charge to students or their schools. Students work directly with professional artists to experience art-making that fosters creativity and imagination. The program uses the Arts to help students learn in new and creative ways; promote a positive attitude toward learning; increase self-esteem; interact and collaborate with others; and encourage exploration of new possibilities for the future.

School Partners

Cabrillo Elementary School- Point Loma

Dewey Elementary School – Point Loma

Washington Elementary School- Little Italy

2025 Tenant Partners

Apt 4 Music (<https://www.ap4music.org/>)

Cygnnet Theatre (<https://www.cygnnettheatre.com/>)

Filipino Kali Academy (<https://www.facebook.com/fkasandiego/>)

Hawaii Fluid Art (<https://hawaiifluidart.com/liberty-station-ca/>)

Helena Westra (Emerging Visual Artist) (<https://www.helenawestraart.com/>)

LPA Design Studios (<https://lpadesignstudios.com/locations/san-diego>)

Nikusha Beatty Art Studio (<https://www.nikushabeatty.com/>)

(<https://monartdrawing.com/>)**San Diego Craft Collective** (<https://sandiegocraft.org/>)

(<https://www.sandiegodancetheater.org/>)**San Diego Ballet**

(<https://sandiegoballet.org/>)

(<https://www.sdws.org/>)**San Diego Writers, Ink**

(<https://writeyourstorynow.org/>)**Seaside Arts Center** (<https://seasideartscenter.org/>)

Songbirds Music (<https://songbirdsmusic.com/>)

(<http://www.theatreartssd.org/>)**The Rosin Box Project**

(<https://www.therosinboxproject.com/>)**Visions Museum of Textile Art**

(<https://vmota.org/>)

(<https://www.mockingbirdimprov.org/>)

“Liberty schools really enhances students education and lives. They learn so much in those four week sessions, that I cannot teach in my classroom. The emphasis is on the whole child and the joy of learning. Liberty Schools is such an integral part of our school’s success.”

Ms. Fuller 3rd grade teacher Washington Elementary

Perkins Elementary Quilts at Visions Museum of Textile Art



DONATE TO LIBERTY SCHOOL NOW ([HTTPS://NTCFoundation.NETWORKFORGOOD.COM/PROJE](https://ntcfoundation.networkforgood.com/PROJE))

Thank you to our Liberty School Donors and Community Partners

Bravo Foundation

Capdevilla Gillespie Foundation

Caterpillar

City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture

City of San Diego Community Projects

Community Service Association of San Diego Unified School District

Dorothea Laub

Fleet Family Foundation

Jill Hall

Henry L. Guenther Foundation

High Tech Explorer Elementary

Marry Ann Beyster

Optimist Club Foundation

Pat Woodward

Point Loma Assembly

Point Loma Optimists

Point Loma Rotary

Pratt Memorial

Price Philanthropies

ResMed Foundation

Rice Family Foundation

Samuel I. and John Henry Fox Foundation