

# VISUAL ARTS

**Metal and Jewelry Art** — Learn basic jewelry-making skills such as internal cut, chain maille, soldering, forging and annealing, enameling, and wire wrapping. Design and create unique pieces of jewelry and build a strong digital portfolio. Learn about the business of selling original jewelry through local jewelry designer guest artists.

**Advanced 2-D Art** — Expand your drawing and painting skills. Thoroughly study design principles to help you create interesting and unique compositions. Learn how to create multiple images through printmaking and photography techniques, and more.

**Advanced 3-D Art** — Develop your sculpting, modeling and casting skills. Study design principles to help you create interesting and unique works of art in the third dimension. Learn what to consider when creating objects to be viewed from all angles.

*“Attending EFA was the best decision I made in high school.”*

— *Chelsea Graham,  
Communications Officer,  
UN World Food Program,  
Rome, Italy*



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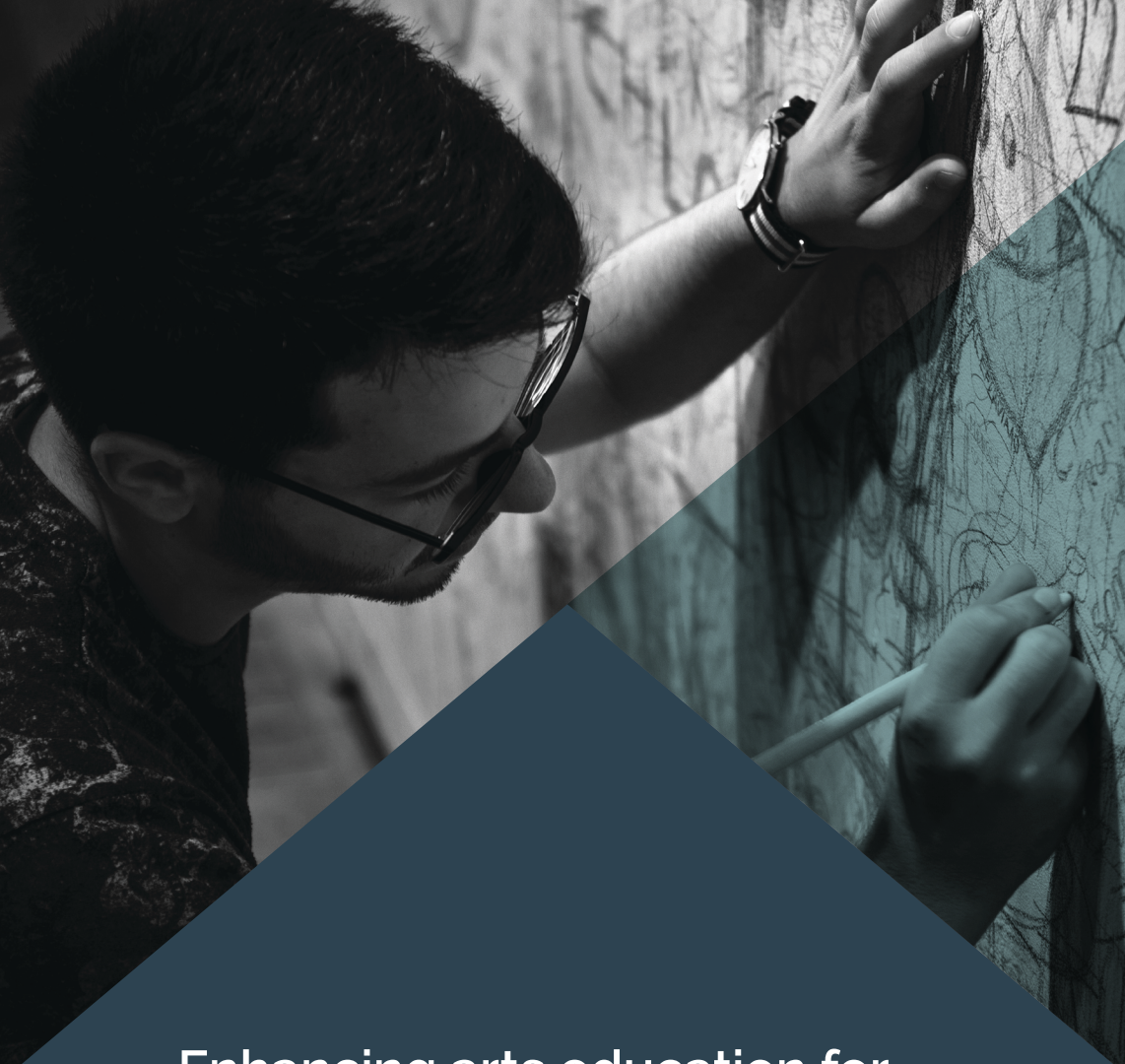
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# FUTURE READY





## Enhancing arts education for all Kalamazoo County students.

Education for the Arts strives to enhance arts education for all students in Kalamazoo County, making dance, literary arts, media arts, music, theatre and visual arts an essential part of a comprehensive education.

# PERFORMING ARTS

**Modern/Jazz Dance Studio**— Explore modern, jazz and ballet dance techniques, in addition to other cultural dance styles such as hip-hop, African and Middle Eastern.

**Intermediate Dance**— Hone skills from a variety of dance forms including modern, jazz, African and hip-hop. Explore the elements of Body-Energy-Space-Time.

**Integrated Dance/Health/PE**— Earn a Health credit while exploring dance elements. Learn the basics of volleyball, soccer, ultimate frisbee, bowling, basketball, climbing and more.

**Music Studio I**— Develop basic skills in music theory and composition beginner's class. Read music, gain basic music keyboard skills, discuss great performances. Broaden your historical and cultural understanding of music and create music in solo and small ensembles.

**Advanced Music Studio**— Further develop your music theory and composition skills in this advanced-level class. Build knowledge of scale construction, rhythm and harmony, chords and circle of fifths theory.



**Advanced Musical Theatre**— Sing, dance and act! Participate in duet, small and large ensemble performances. Create harmony, choreography and work with professional artists.

**Theatre Improv & Scriptwriting**— Create your own unique theatre experience. Study different forms of playwriting: Performance Poetry, Hip-Hop Theatre, Theatre Graffiti. Work with professional theatre artists to find and develop your voice as an artist. Expand your knowledge and learn the basic techniques of acting, playwriting and directing.

***“The dance program at EFA introduced me to the world of concert dance. Not only did it prepare me for a collegiate dance program, but it also gave me a chance to develop a love for choreographing pieces.”***

***—Michael Kelly,  
Moulin Rouge,  
Paris, France***

# MEDIA ARTS

**Film & Video Arts**— Discover your filmmaking talents. Learn to use professional editing programs. Study and practice narrative, documentary and experimental film in this class. Enter film festivals and build a strong portfolio.

**KVCC Media Arts**— Learn about digital media, computer animation and more. Explore design, photography, photo manipulation and composition. Experiment with a wide range of techniques while building a strong portfolio.

**Digital Studio Art**— Utilize design software to create and enhance illustrations. Learn the fundamentals of creating art with technology and use these skills to create your own comics, cartoons and digital works of art.

**Digital Photo Art**— Enhance your photography skills through projects in framing, composition and the use of communication through images. Explore the functions of professional grade digital cameras, learn the art of lighting and produce dynamic portraits of people, places and things.

**3D Computer Animation and Game Design**— Introduction to the technical and creative fundamentals of 3D software. Learn core concepts and create original computer animation and game design.

# LITERARY ARTS

**Creative Writing**— Read and write pieces from multiple genres of creative writing. Publish online and develop a digital portfolio of the work you've created.

***“EFA was a huge part for me in high school. It helped me be more social and it helped better my skills.”***

***—David Kuras,  
Massage Therapist,  
Portage, MI***

**Comics, Manga and Graphic Novel Arts**— Write and produce compelling, artistic and inventive comics, Manga and graphic novels. Research the history of comics, study the elements of story, plot and character development, and the productive use of imagery, layout and composition. Develop projects through manipulation and editing of media and open source graphics.