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***Who we are:*** Art 'N You founder Michelle Honles has developed fine art programs at various private and public schools in Ventura County and has taught for over 14 years in both classroom and private settings. Michelle began her own company in 2004 to help promote the arts and instruction in fine arts to kids of all ages, seeing the need for fun and fine art instruction that is lacking in many areas. She has been the Chairperson at the Camarillo Art Center for children's Art Smart classes, has taught at: Creative Arts Workshop, Children's Celebration of the Arts for the City of Ventura, Pleasant Valley Recreation and Parks District, the Carnegie Art Museum in Oxnard, as well as local schools including Camarillo Heights, Christian Cornerstone, La Mariposa, and Las Posas, just to name a few.

Currently Michelle is helping to administrate a non-profit group offering expressive art workshops to women and children survivors of domestic violence. The organization, [ARTesiaHealingArts.org](http://ARTesiaHealingArts.org), hosts workshops to help people process difficult emotions and become free to live again and focus on positive life goals.

***Why Art?*** Many children are amongst the heaviest users of mass media entertainment which has the unfortunate side effect of greatly decreasing their attention spans. This translates into less tolerance for reading and focusing on details. Learning art teaches observation skills, critical thinking skills, cognitive skills, fine motor skills, right and left brain development, spatial reasoning and perception. Art helps people learn patience though practice and disciplined work. It helps develop a sustained attention span by focusing and concentration. While learning art a student learns to follow directions, but as they grow they develop creativity to see and think for themselves. With all these benefits we believe art is something everyone can learn and will benefit from.

The beauty of art is that it is interwoven with many other studies. When students take cultural art workshops they not only learn social studies, but an understanding and appreciation of other ethnic groups. When learning about proportions in art workshops the practice helps children learn about math and spatial reasoning. When students draw plants, animals, or people it helps them learn about anatomy and biology. Art truly helps us

learn about the world we live in, and in learning art it allows us to express how we interpret the world and allows other to see through our eyes.

Each lesson we teach builds upon a previous lesson to develop art skills and encourage creativity. It gives the student an opportunity to refocus their energy into something creative and the art concepts learned today have the future potential for use in various careers (i.e. field scientists, engineers, teachers, business professionals, etc.)

***Our Objectives*** at Art 'N You are to develop self confidence in drawing and in oneself. Art is a creative and individual expression and we encourage this as long as it does not hurt others or is not done with malice. We want each student to feel successful and proud of what they create.



We aim to help students learn how to properly use materials in a manner that they can succeed. We also understand that many students have not used many of the materials we will work with, but with the proper training and the use of high quality equipment we believe that your student will have fun learning with us.

While learning we discourage negative talk and ask students to instead look for areas they might want to change and grow. When we hear “I can’t do this!” or “I am not a good artist”, we encourage YES you can! We understand this is a growing process and are proud of our students who feel successful after accomplishing something they thought they could not do before.



At Art 'N You we believe that everyone learns just a little bit differently. We teach using a variety of approaches and try to get to know each of our students so we can tailor our lessons to maximize their growth. Michelle, having had four children of her own, has seen this process first hand through each of her children. The three target areas we focus on are: 1) We use *visual* aids (demonstrating how it is drawn), 2) We *verbally* explain procedures, and 3) students *kinetically* have they get their hands working to develop and complete their art.

### ***Can you come to my home, or school, or group activity?***

Yes! In addition to teaching at the Art 'N You Studio and the Camarillo Art Center, we bring “Art In a Box” to give private lessons in people’s homes as well as teach classes at schools, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and even birthday parties!

***What is supplied?*** We are happy to provide “Art In a Box” with all the supplies included, or you can choose to use supplies that you have and we will guide you through with visuals and other non-expendable materials (like small models for life drawing or drawing tools for the Architecture class). Supply fees start at \$3 per student and vary depending on medium used. (i.e. a 6 week cartooning class uses fewer materials and usually runs \$8/student, whereas a watercolor class for the same time uses more materials and runs about \$20/student).

***What is the cost?*** Teaching fees will vary depending on number of students. Private tutoring for 2 students would cost \$40 per hour at our studio. Group lessons of 6 or more students start at \$50 an hour, and if there are more than 15 students it would cost \$60 an hour. Regardless of the group size we make sure there are enough instructors per student because we want to ensure everyone has individual attention. *No child left behind!* If your school or group requires liability insurance beyond what we are covered for, we will need to know in advance to give a proper quote.

***An example in 2012:*** For the after school class at La Mariposa Elementary, *Animal Drawing Pastels*, which ran one hour a week for 6 weeks cost the roughly \$70. The cost covered an additional assistant, rental space, insurance required by PVSD, and supplies.

***Can you recommend materials to purchase if my child wants to continue?***  
Yes! We are more than happy to assist you in purchasing high quality materials to inspire your budding artists to blossom. Good materials help make art less frustrating because they are less of a pain to work with and they will help ensure that your finished products come out great!

***Are your teachers fingerprinted and approved by the PVSD & Ventura County School System?***

Yes! We make sure all of our teachers are qualified to teach art and safely handle the classes. We have additional teachers fingerprinted so they can assist if we need extra hands to help out, so that all students feel successful in art. We also have the necessary insurance to cover the legal requirements despite no injuries in working for students in the past 15 years.

### ***Testimonials:***

Our family loves Art N' You! The quality of work that my daughter has produced taking Art N' You classes is astonishing. The beautiful, colorful animal studies in watercolor, the pastel still life's and crafty sculptures make this a very valuable and enriching art program. I have been extremely impressed as a mother, who happens to have studied and showed art myself. Very high quality instruction and my daughter has so much fun. She

feels very comfortable and confident in Michelle's classes and I would recommend these classes to anyone.

— Jennifer McBain

I highly recommend Michelle Honles with Art-N-You! My daughter, Jenny Rose Arsenault has been a student of Michelle Honles for 3 years. It began with just one summer art class and now she attends weekly tutoring! As a result of Michelle's ongoing support and inspiration, Jenny Rose continues to grow in her artistic ability and confidence. Whether you're in a group class or private tutoring, Michelle with Art-N-You can be counted on to share her experience, dedication and love of art with each and every student under her care.

— Cindy Arsenault

Mrs. Honles provided lots of great ideas in her class and the students really enjoyed it. She presented an interesting history lesson on the mosaics workshop.

— Mrs. Marshall (teacher)

Mrs. Honles was prompt, personable, and very knowledgeable about Mosaic art. She was great with the kids - friendly, positive, and cheerful. The students really enjoyed her lesson.

— Mrs. Ansama (teacher)

***More Information*** can be found on the website [Art-N-You.com](http://Art-N-You.com) or call Michelle Honles directly at **(805) 443-1555**.