

Kodiak Arts Council Teaching Artists Roster

(as of May 2025)

| Last Name | First Name | Discipline(s) | Preferred Ages | Availability | Recent Work / Notes |
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| Bercy | Tasnah | Visual Arts: Watercolor, Illustration | All Ages | Flexible, depends on childcare | 2021-2023 Sum'Arts Teaching Artist |
| Budd | Nicole | Visual Arts: Drawing | All ages | contact for availability | 2024 Teaching Artist Training; |
| Dillard | Bonnie | Visual Arts: Painting, Drawing, Ceramics | All Ages | contact for availability | Retired KIBSD Visual Arts Specialist Teacher, 2016 Artist in Residence (Peterson), 2019 Artist in Residence (Main), 2017 - 24 Sum'Arts Teaching Artist, 2017 - 24 Teaching Artist Training Leader, 2018 - 24 Arts Lab Teaching Artist |
| Fish | Sarah | Visual Arts: Mixed media and paper mache | All Ages | contact for availability | 2024 Teaching Artist Training; 2024/2025 Classroom Teaching Artist (Chiniak School) |
| Foster | Jennifer | Visual Arts: Metalwork, Drawing | High School or Advanced Middle School | Weekends or After 3pm; Works 6:30am-3pm | 2017 Classroom Teaching Artist (KMS), 2018 Arts Lab Teaching Artist, 2017 - 2019 Sum'Arts Teaching Artist; 2024/2025 Arts Lab Teaching Artist |
| Frets | Sophie | Visual Arts, Cultural Practice | All ages | contact for availability | 2017 Artist in Residence (Peterson), 2019 Munartet Workshop Leader (Alutiiq Museum), 2024 Arts Lab Teaching Artist |
| Griffin | Jared | Performing Arts: Theatre | All ages | contact for availability | Middle & High School Drama Coach, 2017 - Sum'Arts Teaching Artist, 2018 - 2024, Arts Lab Teaching Artist, 2020 Artist in Residence (North Star) |
| Johnson | Kathy | Visual Arts: Glasswork, Mosaics | All ages, depending on project | Varies, afternoons are best. Possibility of rural travel if able to get coverage for day job | 2015 Painted Salmon Project (North Star Elementary), 2017 Mosaic Salmon (Ahkiok), 2018 Artist in Residence (Larsen Bay), 2006 - 2024 Sum'Arts Teaching Artist; Culture Camps (Sand Point) 2022-2023, Mosaic & Painted Salmon classes, Mosaic Classes (Kodiak Collage) 2023-2024 |

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| Kesling | Katie | Visual Arts: murals, etc | Grades K-5 | Flexible | 2014 Teaching Artist Training |
| Lawson | Shelly | Visual Arts: Nature Journaling, sketch notetaking, watercolor, acrylic painting, art integrated science such as species portraits of Kodiak species | All Ages | contact for availability | 2024 Teaching Artist Training, 2024-2025 Arts Lab Teaching Artist; Sum'Arts Instructor, |
| Loewen | MaryBeth | Performing Arts: Dance | All Ages | Mornings are best | Owner, Next Step Dance Kodiak, 2019 Artist in Residence (North Star), 2019, 2023 Munartet Workshop leader (KAC) |
| Malutin | Susan | Visual Arts: Sewing, Cultural Practice | All ages | contact for availability | Multiple Residencies in Kodiak schools; 2018 & 2019 Munartet Workshop Leader (Alutiiq Museum), 2021 Sum'Arts Teaching Artist |
| Patterson | Gretchen | Visual Arts | Grades 3-8 | Prefer Mornings, but flexible | 2017 - 21 Classroom Teaching Artist (Chiniak), Chiniak Art Works, Interested in doing art installations; Likes freeform work and creative mess |
| Peterson | Shanti | Visual Arts: Multidisciplinary(Fiber Arts, Paper Mache,Puppet Theatres, Egg carton art) | All ages | Mornings or afternoons | 2017 Artist in Residence (North Star), 2017 Sum'Arts Teaching Artist, 2018 Arts Lab Teaching Artist, 2019 Classroom Teaching Artist (Peterson); 2023 Artist in Residence (Main Elementary) |
| Thomas | Marina | Visual Arts: Drawing from pencil, ink, pastels and markers. Painting from oils, acrylics, gouache and watercolors. | All ages | Varies, contact for availability | 2024 Teaching Artist Training; Salmon in the Classroom teacher 2017-2022 |
| Trenery | Natalie | Visual Arts: Fiber Arts, weaving, hand embroidery, knitting and crochet | all ages | contact for availability | North Star Elementary staff member, 2017 - 2019 Sum'Arts Teaching Artist |