

Fall Program Highlights at Creative 360

What: Flying Pig Theatre Academy
Beekeeping with Cheryl Smith
Open Studio Painting for Adults

Where: Creative 360 (formerly Creative Spirit Center) at 1517 Bayliss in Midland.

When: Classes begin in September.

Cost: Costs vary by class. Scholarships available for children.

For more information: Call (989) 837-1885 or visit www.becreative360.org

Midland – Creative 360 offers new fall programs in creativity for children and adults.

For children: **Flying Pig Theatre Academy** offers basic training in all elements of performance on stage.

Taking Flight

Students, in an elementary or a middle school group, rehearse and work on scenes. They begin by understanding story and character; then move on to stage movement and use of the voice, with improvisation and pantomime. Next, they learn how to set the story on stage: plan and build sets and properties, design make-up, costumes, and wigs; and decide which sounds and lights will bring it all to life. At the end of the 14-week class, students present a showcase production. Ages 7-14.

**Mondays, 4:30 – 6:30 pm. Sept. 13 – Dec. 13. No class Nov. 22.
or Saturdays, 12:00 – 2:00 pm. Sept. 18 – Dec. 18. No class Nov. 27.
\$168 plus \$15 materials fee**

Bacon Bits

For preschoolers who like to play dress up, “Bacon Bits” is an introduction to theatre and the art of performing, especially designed for pre-schoolers and non-readers. Students use props and costume pieces to act out stories and practice the basics of theatre. This 45-minute class is perfect little 'hams' ages 3-5.

**Wednesdays, 10:00 – 10:45 am or 1:00 – 1:45 pm
Sept. 15 – Dec. 15. No class Nov. 24. \$84 plus \$15 materials fee**

Soaring on Stage

“Soaring” participants take the theatre elements introduced in 'Taking Flight' to new heights, applying “show-cabulary” and skills gained in

performing, props and set design in a fully produced performance at the end of each term. Ages 7-14. Pre-requisite: completion of *Taking Flight*.
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Hoofing It Dance Class

Movement for the stage. Instructor Kelli Jolly teaches performance elements of musical theatre, including basic choreography and improvisation skills, all set to classic and modern musical scores, including *Cats*, *Oliver*, *Annie*, *The Wiz*, *Mamma Mia*, and *High School Musical*. Students choose their favorites to showcase at the end of the session.

Ages 7 – 14. **Saturdays, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm**

Sept. 18 – Dec. 18. No class Nov 27. \$112 plus \$15 materials fee

For adults:

One open and one facilitated session enable painters to paint weekly by appointment throughout the fall:

Open Studio Painting

Creative 360 offers open studio time for work alongside other painters of watercolor, acrylic, oil, and mixed media. For artists who can bring their own materials and do their own cleanup. Easels provided. Call 837-1885 to reserve a space.

Thursdays, 2:00 – 4:00 pm. Sept. 9 – Dec. 23. \$8 per session.

Sunday Painters

Facilitated sessions for painters to work with other artists, share ideas, and participate in constructive critiques. Experienced instructor Cynthia Keefe, MFA, provides individual support and direct critiques of new work and work in progress. Acrylic, oil, watercolor, pastel and mixed media will be

Sundays, 1:00 – 4:00 pm. \$120/\$115 members. Sept. 12 – Nov. 14

Keeping Bees, with Cheryl Smith

Cheryl Smith, who has been keeping bees for over 20 years, offers a class covering the process of being a beekeeper; the costs, the time involved, the space and equipment required, and amazing stories about bees. Each participant takes home a jar of honey.

Wednesday, September 15 / 6:30 – 8:00 pm. \$12/\$10 members

About Creative 360

Creative 360, formerly known as Creative Spirit Center, is a not-for-profit community arts and wellness organization celebrating its 15th anniversary in 2010. The Center's mission is to create an environment for people of all ages to experience the creative process through ongoing classes, art exhibits, events, concerts, speakers and outreach programs; and its goal is to enhance the

development of physical, mental and spiritual wellness through the arts and humanities. Visit www.becreative360.org for more information about the offerings at Creative 360, or call (989) 837-1885 to request a mailed copy of the current schedule.

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