

WORKSHOPS & TOURS



Welcome to **CAPONI** ART PARK

**Book your tour and
workshop now to
experience art in nature!**

Bring your group to experience art in a new way in our beautiful urban oasis.

We offer a range of tours and workshops for all ages and abilities.

We work closely with you to create a park experience to meet your needs and program goals.

"To appreciate and experience art, you need to use all of your senses."

—Anthony Caponi,
founder of Caponi Art Park



Our tours and workshops introduce participants to art and creative activities through engaging nature-based projects.

Each workshop includes a short lesson on the materials and concepts they will use and how the activity connects to art making traditions.





CAPONI ART PARK workshops are adaptable.

In addition to the workshops listed here, we have a range of classes designed specifically for individuals with disabilities and special needs.

Contact the park to learn more about these options.

TOUR AND WORKSHOP PRICING:

Stand-alone guided tours are \$10 per person with a \$50 minimum per group.

Workshop prices are listed on the following pages and include a tour for every participant.

Contact us about the availability of golf cart tours for participants with limited mobility.

Scholarship discounts are available upon request. Contact the park at 651-454-9412 or erin@caponiartpark.org to learn more.

TOURS

A guided tour is included with each workshop. Stand-alone tours are also available.

Art Park tours introduce participants to the park's sculptures, their creation, materials, and the concepts of art they illustrate. The tour covers some of the most prominent works in the park as well as the art park's history. You'll also learn about the plants and animals of the park, our environmental stewardship efforts, and how we've integrated sculptures into the landscape.

Or opt for an alternative to a traditional tour:

Explore the Art Park through a Scavenger Hunt. **Experiment** with creative pursuits like making music, composing photographs or writing poetry.

Find out more about when you book your visit.



2025 ART WORKSHOPS

We offer so many workshops they don't all fit in the brochure! Join us for 5 new workshops, or choose a returning favorite.

Not listed here are additional workshops: Nature Viewers, Manipulated Monoprints, Watercolor Leaf Prints and Tissue Paper Resist Art. Please ask for more information when booking.



NEW

NATURE COLLAGE

Appropriate for ages 8-adult, \$13/person

It's often said that Mother Nature is a great artist, but have you ever made art *out of* nature itself? Learn about the arts of collage and assemblage as we show you how to use natural park materials to create your own scene



NEW

FUN WITH FIBER ART: MINI WEAVINGS

Appropriate for ages 7-12, \$14/person

Weaving is one of the oldest artforms! You will learn how to construct a simple loom using repurposed materials, then create a vibrant colorful, unique weaving using a variety of yarns and natural materials.



NEW

LEGO STAMPING/PRINTMAKING

Appropriate for ages 6-9 (stamping) 10 and up (printmaking), \$16/person

What do fractals, nature, art and LEGOs have in common? Patterns! Learn about pattern and printmaking basics as you use LEGO bricks to build and print your own images! We have an alternative LEGO stamping project for younger groups, just ask us when booking.



NEW

PLEIN AIR DRAWING: CAPTURING THE BEAUTY OF NATURE

Appropriate for ages 14-adult, \$18/person (onsite only/seasonal)

Observational drawing builds skill and appreciation of your surroundings. Bring a sketchbook and we'll provide the drawing materials. An experienced drawing teacher will lead you through the art park and guide you through technique, composition, and developing your artistic eye.



NEW

MAKE AND FLY YOUR OWN BIRD

Appropriate for pre schoolers-grade 1, \$13/person

Learn about the birds that live in and around our area and the important role they play in our ecosystem. You will make a three dimensional bird of your own using your imagination and a variety of art materials and fly your birds during educational bird games.



GELLI PLATE PRINTMAKING

Appropriate for ages 6-adult, \$14/person

Gelli prints are a fresh twist on monoprinting. You will learn about nontraditional printmaking, then create a series of unique prints from gelatin plates combining natural materials, stencils and paint. This method allows for experimenting with layers and color combinations as well as exploring natural shapes and textures.



SEED MOSAICS: A MINNESOTA TRADITION

Appropriate for ages pre k-adult, \$13/person

Each year the State Fair displays seed mosaics created by Minnesota artists. In this workshop, you will learn about this great tradition, helpful information about design and techniques, and create your own unique seed mosaic.



ORGANIC WIRE SCULPTURES

Appropriate for ages 10-adult, \$15/person

Select this workshop for the opportunity to create a metal sculpture, using techniques similar to sculptures in the park. Working from an image of wildlife or plant life, you will create your own 3D wire form by bending and shaping metal wire. The finished organic 3-D wire sculptures will be mounted on a base for display.



MANDALA ROCK ART

Appropriate for ages 8-adult, \$14/person

Discover the art of mandala rocks. In this workshop, you will learn the history and meaning behind mandala designs and practice techniques to create patterns using dots. You will combine this knowledge to paint your own mandala art on rocks



NATURE JOURNALS: BASIC BOOKMAKING

Appropriate for ages 8-adult, \$20/person

Engage the natural world using your own handcrafted nature journal. You will learn basic bookbinding techniques to create nature journals. These 6" x 9" 16 page journals include prompts for journaling and can be used to document your nature adventures.



PRINTMAKING: BASIC RELIEF PRINTING

Appropriate for ages 6-14, \$16/person

Carve out your spot in the world of printmaking with this introduction to relief printing. In this workshop you will learn a brief history of printmaking and the techniques needed to create your image on paper. Using simple materials you will create reproducible images.



RECYCLED PAPER COLLAGE

Appropriate for ages pre k-8, \$13/person

Collage art is a great way to get creative and recycle materials at the same time. Learn about composition and collage as you make your own piece. Using shaped paper punches and collage techniques, you will transform magazine pages and other recycled papers into colorful compositions.



BIRCH TREE RESIST PAINTINGS

Appropriate for ages 6-adult, \$20/person

Learn how to paint the perfect woodland scene featuring birch trees and accompanying leaves using a few simple techniques and materials. You will be guided step-by step through the painting process and be introduced to new art terms and techniques related to this project.



3D LEAF RELIEFS: RAISED TINFOIL ART

Appropriate for ages 8-14, \$16/person

Learn about elements of art as you create a unique 3D relief project! Explore texture, shape and value as you combine tinfoil with leaves and other natural materials collected from around the park to create your work.



POINTILLISM PAINTING

Appropriate for ages 6-12, \$14/person

Capture the feeling of an old Marvel comic book page, or a Lichtenstein painting, using only dots to compose your picture. Pointillism uses tiny dots of pure color to compose a larger image. With Q-tips and a variety of paint colors, you will use your imagination to produce a painting that any budding comic artist would enjoy!

WORKSHOP AND TOUR POLICIES:

Chaperones: We require at least one chaperone for every 10 youth participants. A chaperone is an adult over 18. Chaperones must stay with participants at all times and are responsible for their conduct. This will help us provide the best experience possible during your visit.

In the rare event that a participant's behavior is disruptive to others, Caponi Art Park staff will ask for additional assistance from the group's teachers and chaperones. In extreme situations staff reserves the right to ask the participant to leave the group.

Preparing for your visit:

- Review park rules and expectations with your group before arriving at the park.
- Park visits last about 2 hours. Tours and workshops are approximately 45-60 minutes each.
- Tours include walking about 1 mile.
- We recommend bringing water, sunscreen, insect repellent, and wearing weather appropriate clothing and closed-toed shoes.
- For larger groups, your group will be split into groups of 20 or less with one park staff member per each small group.
- Please be aware that the park is open to the public during your group's visit and others will be in the park at the same time.
- The park has portable restrooms that are ADA accessible and equipped with hand sanitizer.
- Picnic areas may be reserved before or after your visit at no additional charge.



To schedule a tour and workshop for your group please call the park at 651-454-9412 or email erin@caponiartpark.org. Tours can be scheduled any time the park is open, except during public performances and events.

Number of Participants: We will ask for an estimate of the number of participants in your group to make sure we have the right amount of staff and workshop materials on hand. We will charge for a minimum of 10 participants with a per person charge for each additional participant.

Change in the Number of Participants: If you know the size of your group will be significantly different than you estimated, please contact us as soon as possible. If your group is considerably smaller without letting us know ahead of time, we will charge you for the number of participants in your original estimate.

Canceling/Rescheduling Policy: If you need to cancel or reschedule your visit, please let us know as soon as possible.

Weather Policy: If severe weather or high temperatures are predicted that would make your visit to the park unsafe, we will contact you to reschedule. If you have concerns, please contact us prior to your visit.

Payment Policy: Payment may be made by invoice or by credit card, check or cash at the time of your workshop.

COVID-19 Policies and Protocols: We follow current guidelines when interacting with the public. We know that each group is different and we are happy to adapt our protocols to fit your needs. For more information please contact the park.

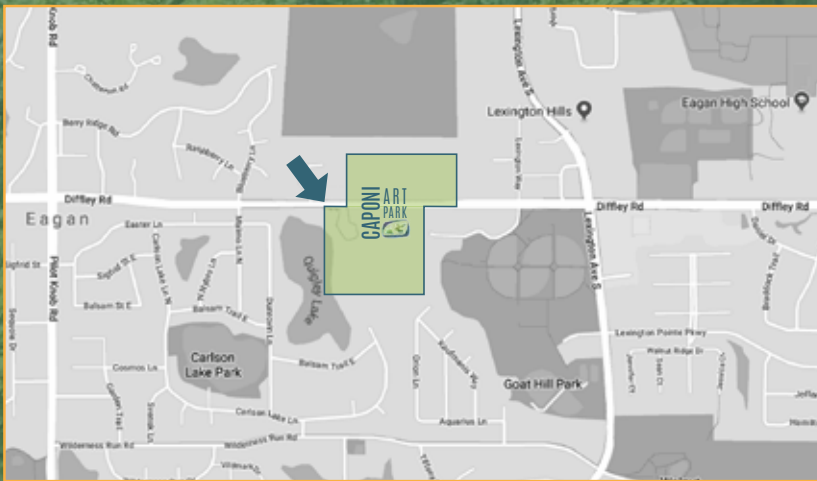
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WHERE TO FIND US:

1220 Diffley Road, Eagan, 55123

The park entrance is on the south side of Diffley Road.
Look for the large park sign and red gate.

For information about accessible parking
please contact the park.



PARK HOURS:

Closed Mondays
Tues-Sun: 9AM - Sunset

For more information visit
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