## CENTRAL CALIFORNIA CHAPTER



California Association for the Education of Young Children

Dear Early Childhood Educator,

December 2018

The Central California Chapter of CAAEYC is organizing an art display in honor of the Week of the Young Child held in April of 2019. The Week of the Young Child is an annual celebration hosted by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) where we celebrate early learning, young children, their teachers, and their families.

In honor of the event we will be showcasing children's artwork from the early education communities located within Fresno, Madera, Mariposa, Kings, and Tulare counties. We would like to invite you to submit process artwork from the children in your early childhood education program.

Both two-dimensional and three-dimensional art pieces are encouraged for this event. The art display will highlight child-created, individualized, process art. Therefore, in order for your submitted artwork to be used in the display, the pieces will have to be some form of child-created process art. Below you will find characteristics of what process-focused art is, as highlighted in Laurel Bongiorno's article in the Vol. 7, No. 3 edition of Teaching Young Children:

## Characteristics of process-focused art experiences:

- There is no step-by step instructions
- There is no sample for children to follow
- There is no right or wrong way to explore and create
- The art is focused on the experience and exploration of techniques, tools, and materials
- The art is unique and original
- The art experience is relaxing or calming
- The art is entirely the children's own
- The art experience is a child's choice
- Ideas are not readily available online

In an attempt to help support an understanding of process-focused art, we will be holding a professional development workshop to provide an understanding of the importance of process art for the children's development, as well as some interactive activities related to the topic. The workshop will be held on **Saturday**, **January 19<sup>th</sup>**, **2019**. If you are interested in attending this workshop, please check our website for more details at <a href="https://www.centralcaliforniaece.org">www.centralcaliforniaece.org</a>.

**How to Submit:** If you would like to submit your student's art for this display, please do so during the week of *March 18 – 22, 2019*. The art pieces may be mailed or dropped off in person to the Central Valley Children's Services Network located at 1911 N. Helm Ave, Fresno, CA 93727. If mailing in the art work, please indicate, "ATTN: Public Relations" on the package. Attached to this letter is a description page and student labels that need to be submitted with the artwork.

Art will be displayed during the month of April 2019. We encourage you to invite the children and families from your program to view the art display at their convenience. The art display location is still to be determined and will be announced when it is secured.

Please distribute this information to any early childhood programs/educators that may be interested. If you need additional labels or have any questions, email us at <a href="mailto:centralcaliforniaece@gmail.com">centralcaliforniaece@gmail.com</a>.

Thank you for your support of this event.

Central California Chapter of CAAEYC

## Documents Required for Submission of Artwork for the Central California Chapter of CAAEYC Week of the Young Child Art Reception

When submitting your student's artwork, please include the completed form below regarding a brief description of the artwork being submitted. For example, you could list the materials used, the title of the piece, inspiration, as well as the children's interest during the process.

With the description form, there is a section for you to fill out your center's name as well as a contact number for us to use after the art display is complete regarding returning your art. Please note that the phone number will not be used in the display itself.

In addition to the brief description, we ask that you fill out a label for each of the pieces you are submitting which includes the child's name, age, and the school they attend The labels have been provided with the document as well. If you need any additional copies, you may email us at <a href="mailto:centralcaliforniaece@gmail.com">centralcaliforniaece@gmail.com</a> .
Description of Artwork:

Phone Number:

Center Name:

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Student's Name:	Student's Name:
Age:	Age:
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