Teen Academy



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Online Classes - Join Us From Anywhere!

Teen Academy creates spaces for students to locate themselves in the traditions and teachings of image-making. The program is designed to cultivate visual literacy, personal vision, and leadership skills through classes focused on the techniques and history of photography and visual culture.

Open to teenagers ages fourteen through nineteen, online courses include classes in digital photography that explore a variety of themes and image-making practices from self-portraiture and self-publishing to documentary approaches and portfolio development. Curricula is youth-centered and includes: photographic and writing assignments, visual presentations, discussions, critiques, guest artist visits, and culminating presentations for family and friends celebrating the students' achievements.

Teen Academy is committed to making photography education accessible to all teenagers regardless of their economic resources. Need-based scholarships are available before the start of each term.

Email teen_academy@icp.edu or call 212.857.0058 for more information.

Registration opens April 17 icp.org/school/teen-academy



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Registration Opens 4/17

Photography I: Principles of Digital Photography

Learn the basics of digital photography, from composing images to exploring the effects of light. Expand your technical and aesthetic understanding of the medium.

May 4 – Jun 8 Mon | 4:30 – 6:30pm Ariana Sarwari

Photography I: Reinventing the Selfie

Capture yourself in ways that you may never thought of before! Take inspiration from artists and use shooting assignments to create self-representational imagery.

May 7 – Jun 11 Thu | 4:30 – 6:30pm Néstor Pérez-Molière

Photography II: Documentary Practice and Visualizing the Now*

Explore ways of documenting our new everyday reality through discussions, shooting assignments, and critiques to create a series of documentary images.

May 3 – Jun 28 Sun | 2 – 4pm Curtis Willocks

Photography II: Portfolio Development*

Expand ideas of theme, narrative, and quality through assignments and critiques to develop a collection of work to submit to colleges, exhibitions, and awards.

May 9 – Jun 13 Sat | 2 - 4pm Keisha Scarville

Reconstructing the Family Album**

Dig into your own personal archives and create new work reflecting on your relationship to home, place, heritage, and/or chosen family.

May 3 - Jun 28 Sun | 2 - 4pm Kamal Badhey

The Self-Published Artist**

Explore approaches to photography publication design, production, and distribution. Develop a project proposal and digital maquette.

May 9 – Jun 13 Sat | 2 - 4pm Carla Liesching

Please note: All classes will be held on Zoom. Students must have access to a computer with a webcam and stable internet connection. Students must have access to a smart phone, DSLR or mirrorless camera, or digital point and shoot camera to complete assignments.

^{*}Pre-req: Photo I or as approved by Teen Academy staff.

^{**}This class is open to teen photographers of any experience level.