



Arts Centres

Arts classes

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Preschool

Arts Centres

Nepean Creative Arts Centre, Nepean Visual Arts Centre and Shenkman Arts are destinations for specialized arts programming. Creative surroundings, purpose built studios and expert instructors combine to deliver inspirational programs and creative, dynamic experiences.

French programs at Shenkman Arts can be found in Mon Cyberguide francophone des loisirs.



Nepean Visual Arts Centre
613-580-2828
1701 Woodroffe Avenue
(Entrance 3, Nepean Sportsplex)

Nepean Creative Arts Centre
613-596-5783
35 Stafford Road,
Bells Corners



Shenkman Arts
613-580-2787
245 Centrum Boulevard, Orléans

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Performing Arts

Schedules and fees may be subject to change. Fees include HST.

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Dance

Creative Movement – With parent

For our youngest students, this provides a fun, casual approach to practicing basic and fine motor skills, and a cooperative introduction to the elements of dance and space.

Shenkman Arts – 613-580-2787

2-3 years	Sat.	9:30-10 am
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$18	1582578

Gotta Dance

Introduction to the elements of dance and space. Practice fundamental large and fine motor skills through basic ballet and jazz steps.

Shenkman Arts – 613-580-2787

3-4 years	Sat.	10:15-11 am
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$42.75	1582579

Digital arts

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Virtual Animation

A virtual animation course with NCAC movie making and digital arts instructor and experimental filmmaker. Learn how the world of animation comes to life using Blender Animation Software, creating 3D models, 2D animations, and exploring stop-motion animation techniques and video editing. Requires a personal electronic device with internet connection.

Nepean Creative Arts – 613-596-5783

9-14 years	Mon.	6:30-8:30 pm
Nov 9-Dec 14	\$132.75	1583691

Performing arts

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Dance

Acrobatic – Level 1

Free flowing class combines traditional dance styles with acrobatics. Think gymnastics but with no apparatus. Improve flexibility, strength and dance techniques. Take dance to new heights!

Shenkman Arts – 613-580-2787

9-12 years	Tue.	7:15-8:15 pm
Nov 10-Dec 15	\$63.25	1582575

Contemporary Hip Hop Combo

Blending the modern dance techniques of suspension, release and emotion, with hip hop's rhythms of the street, leads to innovative choreographed routines in a class led by an expert instructor. No experience required.

Nepean Creative Arts – 613-596-5783

9-12 years	Sat.	11 am-noon
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$63.25	1583537

Gotta Dance

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Nepean Creative Arts – 613-596-5783

6-8 years	Sat.	9:15-10 am
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$42.75	1583644

Shenkman Arts – 613-580-2787

5-6 years	Sat.	11:15 am-noon
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$42.75	1582580

Hip Hop – Level 1

Hip hop, with its roots in urban dance, gets you moving to funky, up-beat tunes. Work on strength, flexibility and musicality through intricate and fast paced choreography. Create dynamic, stylish moves just like in the latest music videos.

Nepean Creative Arts – 613-596-5783

8-12 years	Thu.	6:30-7:30 pm
Nov 12-Dec 17	\$63.25	1583675

Hip Hop and Jazz

Emphasis on body placement, coordination and basic Jazz technique.

Nepean Creative Arts – 613-596-5783

7-9 years	Sat.	10-11 am
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$63.25	1583658

Jazz – Level 1

High energy class that encourages rhythm, co-ordination, flexibility and execution. Introduction to different styles of jazz including theatrical, pop, and lyrical. Learn various moves, combinations of steps, and choreography.

Nepean Creative Arts – 613-596-5783

8-12 years	Thu.	5:30-6:30 pm
Nov 12-Dec 17	\$63.25	1583668

Tap Dance – Level 1

Learn the basics of tap dance through intricate dance combinations, expressive footwork and some simple choreography, with an emphasis on rhythm and clarity of step.

Shenkman Arts – 613-580-2787

9-12 years	Sat.	12:15-1:15 pm
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$63.25	1582573

Urban – Level 1

This unique style of dance incorporates hip hop, break dancing, pop'n lock, and freestyle. Master the dance moves from each style in a fun and energetic class.

Shenkman Arts – 613-580-2787

6-8 years	Tue.	6-7 pm
Nov 10-Dec 15	\$63.25	1582574

Drama and multi arts

Art of Puppetry

Explore 'being' through creating and manipulating puppets of all sizes and materials – of your creation. Create characters and tell stories through these fascinating personas.

Nepean Creative Arts – 613-596-5783

9-14 years	Sat.	10 am-4 pm
Nov 14-21	\$177	1583406

My Costume, My Fashion, My Style

A workshop for would-be costume or fashion designers. Conceptualize and construct your fashion or costume designs. Instruction from costume and puppet maker Donna Bourgeault. Create customized, affordable 'upcycled' styles. Materials will be provided.

Nepean Creative Arts – 613-596-5783

9-14 years	Sat.	10 am-4 pm
Nov 28-Dec 5	\$177	1583404

Music

Ukulele – Virtual

In this live virtual class, learn a unique instrument that is affordable, fun, and easy to play. Must have your own ukulele. Requires a personal electronic device with internet connection.

Shenkman Arts – 613-580-2787

10-14 years	Sat.	3-4 pm
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$83.25	1583381

Visual arts

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Cartooning and Comics – Virtual

A young and free imagination can give cartoons personality. Watch characters and comic strips come to life! Taught entirely virtually, draw and animate characters through studying figures, facial expressions, actions, perspective and use specialized illustration techniques. Supply kit available for pick up. Requires a personal electronic device with internet connection.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

9-12 years	Sun.	10-11:30 am
Nov 8-Dec 13	\$99.50	1583637
9-12 years	Sun.	12:30-2 pm
Nov 8-Dec 13	\$99.50	1583639

Digital Arts

Intro to Game Development – Virtual

In this live virtual class, create your own game using a variety of free programs and tools. Develop animation skills and your very own video game! Requires a personal electronic device with internet connection.

Shenkman Arts – 613-580-2787

10-14 years	Tue.	7-8:30 pm
Nov 10-Dec 15	\$62.75	1583386

Painting

Big Scale Abstract Art

No matter how big or how imaginative, artistic freedom is what abstract art is all about! Explore painting on a large-scale canvas, focusing on the use of colour, space, line, shape and texture.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

6-9 years	Sat.	12:45-2:45 pm
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$199	1583633

Drawing and Painting – Virtual

Taught entirely virtually, participants learn to paint and draw with charcoal, conte, watercolours, etc. Advanced techniques and learning opportunities available. Supply kit available for pick up. Requires a personal electronic device with internet connection.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

9-13 years	Sat.	noon-2 pm
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$132.75	1583523

Mixing It

Your child's creative imagination will run wild in this dynamic and creative class. Kids will explore different mediums like ink, pencil and paint; and artistic styles and techniques like drawing, painting, collage, three-dimensional work and more.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

6-8 years	Sat.	10 am-noon
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$199	1583628

Pottery

Handbuilding – With parent

Get messy with your little ones! Create a unique pottery piece together using simple handbuilding forms and techniques. Discover coils, slabs and pinching techniques. One child and parent pair per registration. Supplies will be provided.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

6-10 years	Sat.	9:45-11:45 am
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$306.75	1584014
6-10 years	Sat.	12:45-2:45 pm
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$306.75	1584015

Arts

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Art Journaling – Virtual

Taught entirely virtually, play with new materials and ideas, practice and reflect on your art, and unlock your creativity through art journaling. Explore approaches through a variety of instructor and student directed projects and exercises. Drawing, painting and mixed media techniques are taught in this course. Supply kit will be available for pick up. Requires a personal electronic device with internet connection

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

12-14 years	Sat.	2:30-4:30 pm
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$132.75	1583536

Pottery – Wheel – Level 1

Introduction to wheel throwing techniques. Create basic vessel forms such as cylinders and bowls. Glazing, decorative techniques and application of handles will be introduced.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

11-14 years	Sat.	10 am-noon
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$225	1582785
11-14 years	Sat.	1-3 pm
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$225	1582786

Virtual Animation

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Nepean Creative Arts – 613-596-5783

15-17 years	Tue.	6:30-8:30 pm
Nov 10-Dec 15	\$150	1583698

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Dance

Ballet Barre Fit

An energizing combination of ballet moves with an emphasis on posture and alignment. Develop lean muscle mass while improving your balance, flexibility, and range of motion.

Nepean Creative Arts – 613-596-5783

18+ years	Thu.	11:45 am-12:35 pm
Nov 12-Dec 17	\$59.75	1583636

Ballroom – Level 1

Ballroom is the perfect exercise for your mind and body. Move to the rhythm as you learn the foxtrot, waltz, cha cha, triple swing and merengue. Register with a partner.

Nepean Creative Arts – 613-596-5783

18+ years	Tue.	7-8 pm
Nov 10-Dec 15	\$71.50	1583000

Shenkman Arts – 613-580-2787

18+ years	Thu.	7-8 pm
Nov 12-Dec 17	\$71.50	1582577

Belly Dance – Level 1 – Virtual

In this live virtual class, explore fluidity, grace and strength through this ancient and sensuous dance form developed in the Middle East. The fundamentals of posture, isolations, steps and accents of belly dance are stressed. Requires a personal electronic device with internet connection.

Shenkman Arts – 613-580-2787

18+ years	Mon.	7:30-8:30 pm
Nov 9-Dec 14	\$53.75	1583384

Belly Dance – Level 2 – Virtual

In this live virtual class, explore more complicated arrangements as you layer movements and combinations. Prerequisite: Belly Dance - Level 1. Requires a personal electronic device with internet connection.

Shenkman Arts – 613-580-2787

18+ years	Mon.	8:45-9:45 pm
Nov 9-Dec 14	\$53.75	1583385

Bollywood – Level 1 – Virtual

In this live virtual class, learn to move to the Bollywood beat; a modern East Indian style of dance that will have your hips moving. Discover basic hip, leg and upper body choreography while experiencing the wonders of middle eastern glamour. Requires a personal electronic device with internet connection.

Shenkman Arts – 613-580-2787

18+ years	Mon.	6:15-7:15 pm
Nov 9-Dec 14	\$53.75	1583383

Hawaiian Dance

Dance Hawaiian style to Don Ho, Andy Williams, and Elvis Presley. Hawaiian arm movements help arthritic fingers. Sway in your style, standing or seated.

Nepean Creative Arts – 613-596-5783

18+ years	Fri.	7-8 pm
Nov 13-Dec 18	\$71.50	1583631

Fitness

Nia

Shape the way you feel, look, think and live! Discover your body's way of self-healing using the gentle and powerful movements of the Nia Technique. Great workout using nine movements from dance, martial, and healing arts, suitable for all.

Nepean Creative Arts – 613-596-5783

18+ years	Tue.	11:30 am-12:30 pm
Nov 10-Dec 15	\$62.75	1583627

Stretch and Strength

Combine strength training movements with flexibility to improve muscular strength and mobility.

Nepean Creative Arts – 613-596-5783

18+ years	Mon.	1-2 pm
Nov 9-Dec 14	\$51.75	1582951

Music

Guitar – Level 1 – Virtual

In this live virtual class, strengthen guitar skills while learning basic chords, strumming, picking and tuning. Recognize different strumming patterns and shuffle accompaniment. Must have your own guitar. Requires a personal electronic device with internet connection.

Shenkman Arts – 613-580-2787

18+ years	Sat.	12:30-1:30 pm
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$93.75	1583378

Guitar – Level 2 – Virtual

In this live virtual class, continue learning more advanced music. Prerequisite: Guitar Level 1 or equivalent. Requires a personal electronic device with internet connection.

Shenkman Arts – 613-580-2787

18+ years	Sat.	1:45-2:45 pm
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$93.75	1583380

Keyboard – Level 1 – Virtual

Love playing the electronic keyboard. Group instruction provides both practical and theory study including left and right hand placement, reading notes, learning scales in both treble and bass clef. Pre-requisite: a keyboard at home.

Nepean Creative Arts – 613-596-5783

18+ years	Wed.	8-9 pm
Nov 11-Dec 16	\$166.75	1587428

Visual Arts

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Big Scale Abstract Art

Artistic freedom is what abstract painting is all about. Explore painting on a large-scale canvas, create a composition focusing on the use of colour, space, line, shape and texture.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

18+ years	Mon.	6:45-9:15 pm
Nov 9-Dec 14	\$196.50	1583575

Coloured Pencils – Level 1

Drawing and painting come together with this adaptable medium. Learn how to draw portraits, landscapes, seascapes, animals and still life. Learn about pencil brands, paper surfaces, layering, crosshatching, stippling, mixing and lifting colour as well as burnishing and embossing.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

18+ years	Wed.	6:45-9:15 pm
Nov 11-Dec 16	\$196.50	1583601

Drawing for Absolute Beginners – Virtual

An introduction for the absolute novice to drawing techniques and materials. Entirely virtual, this course will teach tips and tricks that make a difference in how you draw. It creates a solid foundation for all your future arts classes. Supply list provided. Requires a personal electronic device with internet connection.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

18+ years	Thu.	1-3 pm
Nov 12-Dec 17	\$107.25	1583490

Needle Felted Holiday Ornaments

Create an adorable themed holiday ornament using needle felting. No experience required.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

18+ years	Sun.	9 am-noon
Nov 29	\$78.50	1582789
18+ years	Sun.	1-4 pm
Nov 29	\$78.50	1582790

Oil and Acrylics – Level 1 – Virtual

Pick up a brush and give it a try! This introductory class explores painting in both oils or acrylics. Taught entirely virtually, this class covers paint mixing, colour, value, form and techniques through the instructor's step-by-step demonstrations. Supply list provided. Requires a personal electronic device with internet connection.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

18+ years	Mon.	10 am-1 pm
Nov 9-Dec 14	\$160.75	1583587
18+ years	Wed.	10 am-1 pm
Nov 11-Dec 16	\$160.75	1583593
18+ years	Wed.	1:30-4:30 pm
Nov 11-Dec 16	\$160.75	1583595

Oil and Acrylics – Level 2 – Virtual

This class builds off principles taught in Level 1. Taught entirely virtually, you will explore complex techniques including working with perspective, colour mixing and brushstrokes. Try your personalized style using your own subject matter. Supply list will be provided. Requires a personal electronic device with internet connection.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

18+ years	Mon.	1:30-4:30 pm
Nov 9-Dec 14	\$160.75	1583768

Pottery

Handbuilding Combo

Learn Wheel 1 throwing techniques and explore a variety of handbuilding methods like the slab roller and coils, to make functional forms. Surface decoration and glazing techniques will be covered.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

18+ years	Fri.	12:30-3 pm
Nov 13-Dec 18	\$196.50	1582782

Functional Handbuilding

Create unique, functional and beautiful clay pieces for your home! Serving dishes, lamp bases, planters, jewelry boxes, vases, birdfeeders – the possibilities are endless. Learn basic handbuilding techniques: coil, slab and pinch pot methods. All levels welcome.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

18+ years	Mon.	6:30-9 pm
Nov 9-Dec 14	\$196.50	1582739
18+ years	Wed.	6:30-9 pm
Nov 11-Dec 16	\$196.50	1582779

Wheel – Level 1

Create basic vessel forms such as cylinders and bowls. Glazing, decorative techniques and application of handles will be introduced. For beginner or early stage potters only.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

18+ years	Tue.	10 am-12:30 pm
Nov 10-Dec 15	\$196.50	1582768
18+ years	Wed.	6:30-9 pm
Nov 11-Dec 16	\$196.50	1582776
18+ years	Thu.	6:30-9 pm
Nov 12-Dec 17	\$196.50	1582777

Wheel – Level 2

Create pieces such as cylinders, plates and bowls. More advanced techniques: forming lids, surface decoration (carving and painting) with underglaze techniques, will be introduced.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

18+ years	Mon.	6:15-9:15 pm
Nov 9-Dec 14	\$232.25	1582745

Pottery studios

Handbuilding

No instruction provided. Previous experience in any Nepean Visual Arts Centre pottery class is required. Participants must bring their own clay and tools. All clay MUST be purchased at the NVAC for a per bag fee.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

18+ years	Mon.	2-5 pm
Nov 9-Dec 14	\$88.25	1582748
18+ years	Tue.	10:15 am-1:15 pm
Nov 10-Dec 15	\$88.25	1582750
18+ years	Tue.	2-5 pm
Nov 10-Dec 15	\$88.25	1582751
18+ years	Wed.	10:15 am-1:15 pm
Nov 11-Dec 16	\$88.25	1582752
18+ years	Wed.	2-5 pm
Nov 11-Dec 16	\$88.25	1582753
18+ years	Thu.	10:15 am-1:15 pm
Nov 12-Dec 17	\$88.25	1582754
18+ years	Thu.	2-5 pm
Nov 12-Dec 17	\$88.25	1582756
18+ years	Fri.	5-8 pm
Nov 13-Dec 18	\$88.25	1582758

Wheel

No instruction provided. Previous experience in any Nepean Visual Arts Centre pottery class is required. Participants must bring their own clay and tools. All clay MUST be purchased at the NVAC for a per bag fee.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

18+ years	Mon.	2-5 pm
Nov 9-Dec 14	\$88.25	1582747
18+ years	Tue.	2-5 pm
Nov 10-Dec 15	\$88.25	1582759
18+ years	Wed.	10:15 am-1:15 pm
Nov 11-Dec 16	\$88.25	1582761
18+ years	Wed.	2-5 pm
Nov 11-Dec 16	\$88.25	1582763
18+ years	Thu.	10:15 am-1:15 pm
Nov 12-Dec 17	\$88.25	1582764
18+ years	Fri.	5-8 pm
Nov 13-Dec 18	\$88.25	1582766
18+ years	Sat.	2-5 pm
Nov 14-Dec 19	\$88.25	1582765

Studios

Abstract Mixed Media – Studio

Work spontaneously and intuitively on your own mixed media pieces in this supportive and creative studio setting.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

18+ years	Tue.	1-4 pm
Nov 10-Dec 15	\$59.25	1583468

Oil and Acrylics

No instruction. Bring your own subject matter or still life to paint. Please use only odourless solvents.

Nepean Visual Arts – 613-580-2828

18+ years	Wed.	1-4 pm
Nov 11-Dec 16	\$41.75	1582778
18+ years	Fri.	1-4 pm
Nov 13-Dec 18	\$41.75	1582780
18+ years	Fri.	5-8 pm
Nov 13-Dec 18	\$41.75	1582781