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# ART + DESIGN PORTFOLIO WORKSHOP

New student admissions for  
summer 2026 are open.



## 2-Week Course

This is a two-week program where you'll focus on one course for the entire duration.

## Program Highlights

- **Explore Design Disciplines:** Discover different areas of design to identify what resonates with your interests and strengths
- **Develop Your Style:** Use assignments and guided discussions to define your personal aesthetic and artistic voice.
- **Create Portfolio Projects:** Channel your vision into two projects that you hone during your course to add to your art portfolio.
- **Build Technical Skills:** Become familiar with design techniques: digital, sculptural and more!
- **Get Real-World Inspiration:** Visit museums and studios or hear from guest artists to inform and elevate your creative process
- **Prepare Your Portfolio:** Participate in critiques and revisions to refine your work for college art school applications

## 2026 Dates

- Session 2: July 19 - July 31



## Academic Program Overview

Guided by a professional designer, students will learn the fundamentals of layout, composition and how to present their work in a professional portfolio, with the goal of applying to college art and design programs.

Students are introduced to a wide range of art and design disciplines, including 2D composition, graphic design, digital tools like Photoshop and Canva, drawing and collage. In the first week, students sketch, experiment and explore multiple design disciplines to identify gaps in their current portfolios. In the second week, they choose two focus areas to create portfolio-ready projects.

By the end of the course, students leave with finished work, whether new additions or a strong start to their portfolio, as well as a polished template they can continue to build on.



## Excursions

Students will step outside the classroom to see how artistic concepts apply in professional and public settings. The course includes visits to museums, photography exhibitions, working studios and guest talks from artists and creative professionals.

## Instructor

This summer, learn directly from the current faculty at the New York School of Interior Design as they lead this pre-college program with real-world industry experience and creative passion.

### Franciso de Leon

A graphic design virtuoso! As the president of FAD Graphics and a former graphic designer for The New York Times, Francisco brings a wealth of creativity to the table. His experience with a wide array of design techniques gives him the perfect perspective to guide young artists through exploring their personal style and technique.

## Tuition Information:

### Residential Students: \$5,998

- **Includes:** all meals, lodging, excursions, academic course and weekend excursions
- **Excludes:** optional airport pickup and drop off service (available for an additional fee)

### Commuter Students: \$3,398

- **Includes:** lunch, academic course, excursions, programming from 9am to 5pm, Monday-Friday
- **Excludes:** lodging, breakfast, dinner and weekend excursions
  - Weekend excursions can be added on for \$125/day

### Commuter - Class Only: \$2,498

- **Includes:** lunch, academic course, excursions, programming from 9am to 3:30pm, Monday-Friday
- **Excludes:** lodging, breakfast, dinner, weekend excursions, workshops and mentor groups

## Supplements:

- **Application fee:** Starting at \$99 (mandatory, non-refundable)
- **Tuition Protection Plan:** Allows for cancellation for any reason up until the day of the program. Click [here](#) for more info.

## Course Structure

There are two class sessions per day over the two-week course. During week one, students have class from 9:30am-12:30pm and 1:30pm-3:30pm Monday through Friday. During week two students have class from 9:30am-12:30pm and 1:30pm-3:30pm Monday through Thursday. Academic excursions will happen throughout the course as well, typically during a morning or afternoon class session.



## Typical Schedule

8:30AM	Breakfast	
9:30AM	Academic Course / Excursion	
12:30PM	Lunch	
1:30PM	Academic Course / Excursion	
3:30PM	Commuter Class Only Student Depart	
4PM	College Readiness Workshop or True You	
6PM	Dinner / Commuter Students Depart	
8PM	Clubs or Evening Activity	
10:30PM	Night Checks	

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