# Creative Creatures & Co. young artist collective



A newsletter dedicated to inspiring a creative community.

#### **Creature Workshops and Events**

#### Creative News

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Take a look inside our wonderful art exhibit we had in July! Our Young artists curated the show and all the proceeds went to the local non-profit, The Art of Elysium. Page 3

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Our "Nature @ Night" printmaking booth was full of children printing beautiful hand-carved linocuts of coyotes, bats, owls, the big dipper, saturn and more! Page 4

# **CREATIVE NEWS**

Meet the winner of the "Design a creature tshirt contest", learn about what schools we will be at in the fall, find out about our upcoming workshops and see who we are collaborating with in the upcoming months.



Above: Vivyan, the winner of our latest contest!

## Congratulations Vyvyan! The Winner of the "Draw a Creature" T-shirt Contest!

Vivyan, age 7 won our first contest with her "Love Monster" drawing. You can see her drawing, read her creative interview (where you will learn about the heart family and Uncle love) or purchase a t-shirt with her winning design all on our website: www.creativecreaturescompany.com

#### New Schools added to our roster.

The Creatures will be creating at a school near you this fall! We currently have art programs at Heart Christian Academy in San Juan Capistrano, The LePort Schools of Irvine and Huntington Beach, Excel College Prep Charter, Mountain Peak Charter, & Sky Mountain Charter. We will also be at South County Campus for Homeschooling every Monday teaching a fascinating POP ART course. Do you have students at these schools? If so, sign up for our awesome art courses ranging from Printmaking, Illustration, Pop Art, Color Theory, Photography and more!

#### New Illustration class at the Dana Point Community Center starting in October.

Beginning in October, Creative Creatures & Co. will be teaching a weekly workshop in Illustrative Illusions for the City of Dana Point. Focusing on creative mark making, students will draw two-dimensional designs that appear three-dimensional by giving the illusion of spatial depth or motion. Students will gain knowledge in interesting illustrative techniques focusing on line, perspective, foreshortening, light, shadow, tonal values, graphic stenciling and after- imagery. This 4-week course will be held Tuesdays from 3:45-4:45, October 9th-October 30th at the Dana Point Community Center.

## Creative Creatures & Co. and Alphabet Clothing collaboration

We are looking forward to the new clothing collaboration between the creatures at Creative Creatures & Co, and the wonderful clothing brand Alphabet Clothing. Stay tuned for more information about this cool collaboration and where you can purchase some sweet new threads.

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Students watch the sun transform their images into beautiful pieces of art.

# SOLAR PRINTING

In July 2012, we studied a very unique photography technique; Cyanotype Printing. Students discovered how to use the Sun to print imagery using the same process that was used in the 1800's.

One of our favorite summer workshops; Solar printing, a Cyanotype printing process in which UV rays are used to expose film positives or objects onto light sensitive materials, in the creation of visually stimulating images. Students worked with themes of nature, storytelling, and patterns while printing images on light sensitive canvas and paper. The final output of the Solar printing workshop was over 30 pieces of art. These images were matted and framed and displayed for art aficionados

at the "Blue View" Art Exhibit on July 14th, 2012 in San Juan Capistrano.





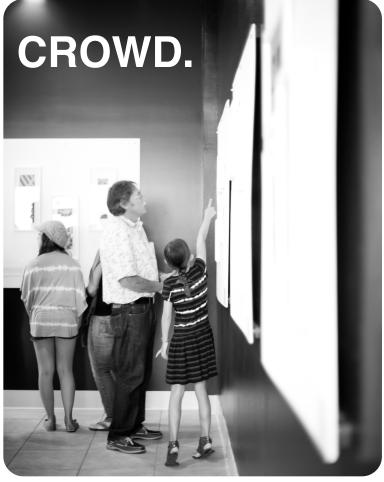
**Left Images**: Asymmetrically arranged natural objects being prepped for printing while a student exposes her print to a water bath.

Above Image: Students interact during the "Draw what you feel." art activity. Students were asked to pick an emotion while another group of students drew that emotion without looking down at their image, learning to draw by "feeling" rather then draw with sight.

# **A CREATIVE**



Laughter filled the air at the Blue View art exhibit.



A prospective art collector talks to one of the artist about her artwork.

# **BLUE VIEW ART**

On July 14th 2012 we held an art show where the walls were filled with Cyanotype images of wonder and creativity. 10 young artist ranging from 7-11 contributed to this amazing night filled with great music, vibrant art, and yummy sweets & treats from local restaurants.



The night was a huge success with over 100 people in attendance and each and every art piece being sold! Gallery space and entertainment was generously provided by the kind folks over at Los Rios Rock School. The young artists featured were all in attendance and excited to talk about their work to eager art admirers.

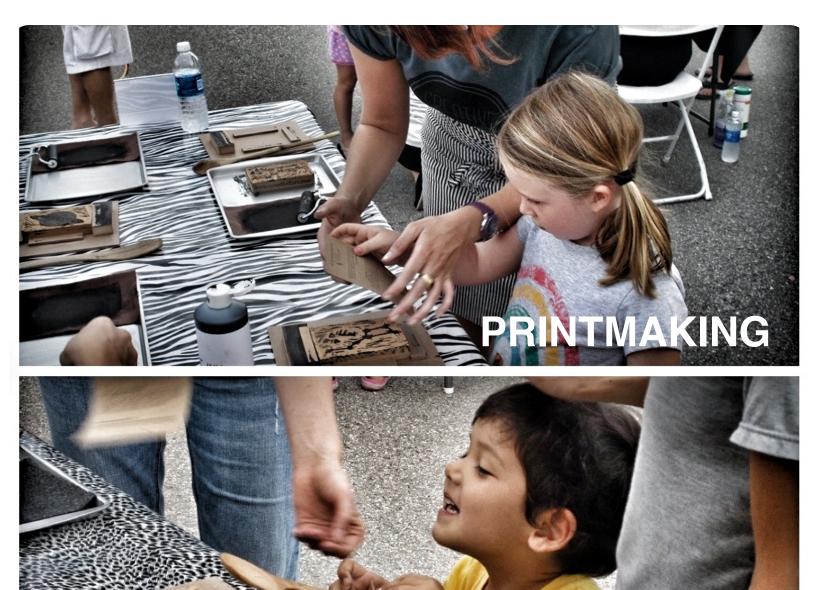
The galley was full of laughter and music but the highlight of the night was being able to give all the proceeds from the event to the local Non-Profit, Art Of Elysium which is dedicated to bringing art and music to children with serious medical disabilities.

A huge thank you to Kaylee Casanova Photography, Hidden House Coffee Shop, and The Cellar for providing beautiful snap shots of the night, wonderful coffee, and gorgeous food.



Left Images: A Creative Crowd.

Above Image: The lovely Lindsey from Los Rios Rock School played an acoustic set as the crowd mingled over the artwork.



Focused and excited kids at our "Nature @ Night" Printmaking booth.

# FAMILY CAMPOUT

Creative Creatures & Co. was invited to participate in this years Family Campout in Ladera Ranch, Ca. on August 11, 2012.

The night was warm and the skies were stormy but that didn't stop the creatures from setting up a Printmaking booth, an Illustration station, and a tattoo parlor!

Over 300 children were in attendance at the Family Campout that night and Our "Nature @ Night" printmaking booth was filled with nocturnal creatures and galactic imagery including the lunar cycle, constellation maps, howling coyotes, and night owls! After printing, children made their way over to the Illustration station where they drew interesting aliens and newly named planets. And as you may have guessed, no child would go without stopping by the Creative Tattoo Parlor, where our dear friend Jess was applying Creature Tattoos!

A huge thank you to our wonderful volunteers who came out to support the Creative Creatures, the night was a huge success because of you! We can't wait to participate in this awesome event again next year!

