

Brief syllabus, Mia school guide class FY25

- 13 weeks, prepare to tour 4 Art Adventure sets (DFO, LCL, AI, AAA) and 1 Introduction to Mia Highlights tour.
- No required textbook. Trainees will receive online readings, videos, and Art Adventure booklets.
- Assignments for readings, small group activities, and in-gallery activities will be given each week.
- Class held on Tuesdays, repeated Fridays, 10 AM to 12 PM, online or onsite in Studio 114

Week 1: October 15/18

Mia 101 for volunteers, guide website, review HR policies, badge photos, parking tags, tour of museum and wayfinding

School tours: Highlights and theme tours, Art Adventure program and Art Adventure sets

Week 2: October 22/25

Principles of art, visual elements, and VTS

Scheduling system (StaffSavvy accounts) and tour logistics, routes for AA and Highlights tours

Practice inquiry using VTS in galleries (Highlights and AA set examples)

Week 3: October 29/November 1

Anatomy of a tour (including group management tips), inquiry and paraphrasing, learning styles

Review of Art Adventure routes and Highlights routes

Practice inquiry and paraphrasing, grade level K-1

Week 4: November 5/8

AAG 1st set: *Dressed for the Occasion*

Cultural fluency, content and context, substitutes and props, routes

School guide mentors visit, shadowing tours

Practice inquiry, grade level 2-3

Week 5: November 12/15

Group presentations for DFO, review and reflect

Shadowing tours and reflection, group management, importance of names/check-in

Discuss individual gallery presentations

Week 6: November 19/22 (*will be online, Zoom link to come*)

AAG 2nd set: *Let's Celebrate Life*

Cultural fluency, content and context, substitutes and props, routes

Practice inquiry, grade level 4

No class November 26/29

Week 7: December 3/6

In-gallery Individual presentations: 6 artworks

Shadowing assignment (sign-ups), individual check-ins

Choosing substitutes small group discussion (based on worksheet)

Week 8: December 10/13

In-gallery Individual presentations: 5 to 6 artworks

Reflection and discussion open forum, individual check-ins

Week 9: December 17/20 (*will be online, Zoom link to come*)

AAG 3rd set: *Artists' Inspirations*

Cultural fluency, content and context, substitutes and props, routes

Practice inquiry, grade level 5-6

Shadowing and presenting one artwork on an AA tour

No class December 24/27 and December 31/January 3

Week 10: January 7/10

AAG 4th set: *Amazing Animals in Art*

Cultural fluency, content and context, substitutes and props, routes

Practice inquiry, all ages review

Week 11: January 14/17

Highlights tour for K-6 students, in-gallery

Cultural fluency, content and context, substitutes and props, routes

Discuss difficult questions and trauma awareness

Week 12: January 21/24

Period rooms throughout the museum!

Discussion of themes and how to use period rooms on a tour

Review of previous class content, discuss upcoming qualifying tours

Week 13: January 28/31

Celebration!

Prep for qualifying tours and review of tour logistics and assignments, individual check-ins

Review of continuing education through the spring (introduction of remaining Art Adventure sets)