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# STAR★Nova



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***Building new worlds with Minecraft!***



***Meet Jane, the Rosy Boa at the  
STAR Eco Station!***

**Mark Keppel Nova 3**



***Rocking out at the El Rey Theater!***

**January 30 - March 31, 2017**

**Register Online: January 26th at 1:00pm**

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**MARK KEPPEL NOVA 3**  
**JANUARY 30, 2017- MARCH 31, 2017**

Welcome to the STAR NOVA Program! STAR NOVA invites ALL students to enroll in NOVA classes that are taught by experienced instructors who are specialists in their field.

**HOW TO REGISTER You can REGISTER ONLINE!**

**<http://markkeppel.starinc.org>**

If you are unable to register online, please contact your site director to obtain a registration form. Please note, NO PHONE CALLS will be made to let you know you are enrolled, unless classes are canceled or full.

**NOVA MEETING PLACE:OUTDOOR LUNCH AREA**

**GETTING TO YOUR STAR NOVA CLASS**

**Kindergarten Students** will be picked up from their classroom when the school is dismissed.

**1st - 5th Grade Students** will meet their teacher at the lunch benches.

If your child is absent from school, it is school policy that he/she cannot attend STAR NOVA that day.

**AFTER YOUR STAR NOVA CLASS**

Students will need to be picked up at the Outdoor Lunch area.

**K-1st grade students** who are not in an after school childcare program **MUST** be checked out by a parent, legal guardian, or person authorized by their parent.

**2nd-5th grade students** will be released to the yard. Please be on time to pick up your child because STAR is not responsible for your child before and after class.

**REGISTRATION FEE**

A \$10 fee is required for each student PER SESSION to cover insurance and registration costs. This fee is non-refundable and is not applicable toward the cost of the classes.

**ABSENCES**

Please contact your STAR NOVA Director if your child will be absent.

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**REFUND POLICY**

1. No refunds of any kind will be given after the first week of attendance.
2. We reserve the right to cancel any class due to insufficient enrollment. Should such an event occur your money will be credited.
3. Tuition will not be refunded if your child misses a class, quits, or is asked to leave due to disruptive behavior.

**BEHAVIOR POLICY**

STAR NOVA reserves the right to dismiss students whose behavior proves disruptive to other participants. In such cases a consultation will be held with all relevant parties before any action is taken. No refund will be offered in such cases.

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

Scholarships are available on a sliding scale basis. **Scholarship paperwork MUST be submitted by January 23, 2017 along with a check for 50% of the total fee INCLUDING REGISTRATION FEE.** Please see your STAR NOVA director to inquire for more information.

**If you have any questions, or for information about school closures and minimum days  
contact your STAR NOVA Director,  
Stella Sargsyan, at (310) 892-6155 and [markkeppel@starinc.org](mailto:markkeppel@starinc.org)**

**Important Note: 3rd- 5th Grade Classes**  
**"All STAR classes incorporate advanced enrichment curriculum for 3-5th graders to appropriately challenge and creatively stimulate our older STAR students."**

**STAR MONDAYS**

**SPORTS: BASKETBALL STARS**

Take it to the hoop with an alley-oop! Our spirited coaches will teach you fresh ball-handling skills, game strategies and passing techniques to bring your game to the next level. Try your new moves during in-class scrimmages that leave you feeling like a pro. Focus your training and game day skills in this popular STAR class! Your team will even prepare to compete in our STAR basketball tournament at the end of the session.

**This is a two-session commitment that culminates in a basketball tournament. All fees include tournament fees, t-shirt and a medal.**

**Day: Monday**

**Time: 2:15 PM - 3:15 PM ( K-5 ) 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$85**

**Date: 1/30/2017 - 3/13/2017**

**No Class: 2/13/2017 2/20/2017**

**CHESS: CLASSICAL CHESS (ALL LEVELS)**

Classical chess is the oldest way to play the royal game. This class will focus on the fundamentals of piece movement and strategy. Using games from classical geniuses such as Paul Morphy, Roy Lopez, and Capablanca, kids will learn that the game of chess is not about taking all of your opponent's pieces, but about taking the right pieces, at the right time, to win in as few turns as possible. Students will study chess puzzles that will improve tactics, pattern recognition, and spatial memory. This class is appropriate for students of any age or ability and builds critical thinking skills while lengthening attention span. In addition to the regular class, students will also play on an in-class chess team and participate in a tournament against all of our schools at the end of the session. Chess is the easiest international language to learn. It is a bridge between people from all countries, cultures, and ages. Give your child a head start in learning one of the world's most beloved games.

**Day: Monday**

**Time: 2:15 PM - 3:15 PM ( K-5 ) 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$80**

**Date: 1/30/2017 - 3/13/2017**

**No Class: 2/13/2017 2/20/2017**

**FASHION: GARDEN OF FASHIONABLE DELIGHTS**

Let Spring flowers and colors inspire your sense of fashion, as your sewing talents bloom, creating fashionable spring accessories. In this class, we will be making 3D Flower clips, headbands, and bracelets, a beautiful sharpie tie dye silk scarf, a bunny softie with a carrot pouch, a flower fairy crown, a butterfly party purse, and more. Spring into fun with fashion! **NOTE: Limited to 10 students maximum.**

**Day: Monday**

**Time: 2:15 PM - 3:15 PM ( 1-5 ) 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM ( 1-5 )**

**Fee: \$100**

**Date: 1/30/2017 - 3/13/2017**

**No Class: 2/13/2017 2/20/2017**

**STAR WEDNESDAYS**

**CULINARY ARTS: HEALTHY SEASONAL WINTER DELIGHTS**

Lets warm our bodies with healthy comfort delights and seasonal fruits and vegetables to make delicious recipes. We will be creating savory and sweet dishes using vegetables like butternut squash and carrots; and fruits like bananas, and pineapples while discovering how these healthy foods can create yummy treats like butternut squash soup, carrot muffins, banana bread and pineapple tarts. Students will learn how to combine these different fruits, and vegetables to create the perfect winter time meals.

**Day: Wednesday**

**Time: 2:15 PM - 3:15 PM ( K-5 ) 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$160**

**Date: 2/1/2017 - 3/29/2017**

**No Class: 3/22/2017**

**MISSION TO MARS: ENGINEERING TO LIVE ON MARS!**

3, 2, 1... blast off! Get ready for the mission of a lifetime as you design and create everything needed to live on Mars. Design a high flying rocket that can not only take us to Mars but also withstand the landing impact. Build a structure that can withstand Mars' harsh weather, engineer a way to grow and clone your own food for your journey and use the limited materials you have to design your own water-seeking rover. Discover if you have what it takes to be an Aerospace Engineer and thrive on Mars!

**NOTE: Limited to 12 students maximum.**

**Day: Wednesday**

**Time: 2:15 PM - 3:15 PM ( K-5 ) 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$144**

**Date: 2/1/2017 - 3/29/2017**

**No Class: 3/22/2017**

**STAR THURSDAYS**

**GAMESCHOOL: MINECRAFT: WORLD BUILDERS**

Minecraft is not just a game: it has been used by passionate creators as a canvas to build amazing creations. In World Builders, you will use tools like WorldEdit to quickly and efficiently create a Minecraft world of your own design. Working in small teams, you will collaborate with fellow builders to create astounding worlds others will want to see. Will you build an epic monument? An exciting game? A recreation of your favorite fictional world? The choice is yours in Minecraft: World Builders! **NOTE: As this class will involve use of typed commands, enrollment is limited to 2nd grade and up and 12 students maximum.** *A part of the STAR S.T.E.A.M. Initiative, this class utilizes multiple disciplines (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Mathematics) to convey crosscutting concepts.*

**Day: Thursday**

**Time: 2:15 PM - 3:15 PM ( 2-5 ) 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM ( 2-5 )**

**Fee: \$152**

**Date: 2/2/2017 - 3/30/2017**

**No Class: 3/23/2017**



**ART: CLAY STUDIO**

Roll into our clay studio to join one of our most popular classes! Students in this “clay-zy” class learn the basic methods of clay sculpting by molding, rolling, and carving to design and create amazing works of art. Students transform a simple slab of clay into fascinating creatures, pop art inspired foods, or adorable animals with their very own hands! This class always offers exciting projects for new and continuing students. Art classes are fun but can get messy. Please dress your child appropriately.

**Day: Thursday**

**Time: 2:15 PM - 3:15 PM ( K-5 ) 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$152**

**Date: 2/2/2017 - 3/30/2017**

**No Class: 3/23/2017**

**IDEA LAB: CARE OF MAGICAL CREATURES**

What amazing creatures can we bring to life with LEGO bricks? Challenge your imagination as we play with fantasy to explore real environmental issues. Build animal hospitals, refuges and other solutions to help save our favorite creatures: real and imagined. This session, construct with LEGO bricks, K’Nex, Zome and other tools and let creativity open the doors to your own ability to invent and create. Each week is devoted to building fun and exciting projects that develop young minds in areas such as problem-solving, critical thinking, visual-spatial reasoning, creativity, and teamwork! Challenge your mind and expand your possibilities. **NOTE: Limited to 12 students maximum.**

**Day: Thursday**

**Time: 2:15 PM - 3:15 PM ( K-5 ) 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$136**

**Date: 2/2/2017 - 3/30/2017**

**No Class: 3/23/2017**

**STAR FRIDAYS****SPORTS: TRACK & FIELD – READY, SET, GO!**

Sprint to the finish! Lace up your shoes, stretch out your legs and join the race. Participate in team relays with your friends and learn the fundamentals of stretching and proper hydration. Train in different events from “100” fast sprints to longer “800s” as you become fit and feel great! You’ll get a solid understanding of what it takes to be a healthy, successful runner. At the end of the session, you’ll get to participate in a mini track meet and get your very own STAR ribbon as your parents cheer you on!

**Day: Friday**

**Time: 2:15 PM - 3:15 PM ( K-5 ) 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$128**

**Date: 2/3/2017 - 3/31/2017**

**No Class: 3/24/2017**

**DANCE: HIP HOP**

Hip-Hop Hooray! Bring your best moves and come prepared to learn super fly street beats, improvisational styles and even integrate some of the latest break-dance moves into your very own music video choreography. Get up on your feet -- or your hands-- to get down to these hip-hop beats! **NOTE: This class is a two-session commitment.**

**Day: Friday**

**Time: 2:15 PM - 3:15 PM ( K-5 ) 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$128**

**Date: 2/3/2017 - 3/31/2017**

**No Class: 3/24/2017**

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**MONDAY****TUESDAY****WEDNESDAY****THURSDAY****FRIDAY**

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