

Coming Up in September

To our Community -



The seasons are changing and fall comes rushing in later this month. Camp Creativity has been a blast...([Click here](#) for the *Camp Creativity video playlist and refresh memories of summer learning and fun at Darlington.*) and now the school year begins! September launches the new year at Darlington with a multitude of great opportunities to explore talents and connect with your creative spirit.

September also reveals the new 5-days a week Darlington Preschool and Kindergarten Enrichment programs. Both offer a number of advantages to young learners with the incorporation of music, art, dance, and drama into the daily curriculum. Our arts-based learning instruction emphasizes creativity, imagination, exploration, and active participation. The arts add depth to fundamental concepts, and act as springboard for reinforcing comprehension and enhancing memory. Another notable advantage to the Preschool program is the new second language-learning component that introduces Spanish to students through teachers from the Language University. This provides children another cultural enrichment benefit, helping to build confidence and instill greater awareness of the world around us.

All interested parents and friends, please attend our **Preschool Open House on Thursday, September 6 from 10 AM to 12 Noon!** This event provides a perfect opportunity to learn more about the Darlington programs for young learners that offer a significant edge over alternatives.

With direct transportation from Garnet Valley School District to Darlington, it is time to join our **After School Arts Club**. Peruse the Fall catalog [here](#) and select fall classes and workshops that will expand your child's potential and satisfy your artistic desires. Choose to develop your talents and learn new skills or enhance your current level of accomplishment in the arts. Students may ride the bus from the Garnet Valley School District directly to Darlington for any activity scheduled at 4:00 p.m. Get set to express your originality and creativity.

Adults can also jump on board the DAC transport to creativity and improved quality of life. At Darlington, students of all ages can express their individuality, originality and curiosity by immersing their fingers in clay, making bold brush strokes in shimmering colors, strumming guitars, singing on key, or developing their dancing prowess. Avenues to explore the arts are infinite and taking the leap to say yes to your talents at Darlington opens a doorway to discovery and a window to enduring joy. Each bold step taken in the arts is an affirmation to living in the present, an embrace with creative possibilities revealing the inner beauty than lies within each of us.

September also begins the new schedule for private music lessons. We are thrilled to announce that several new Teaching Artists have joined the Center, providing increased options for students to select while developing their music skills.

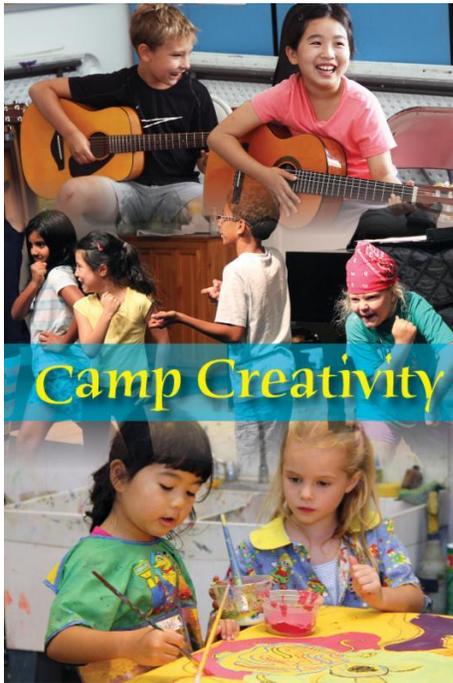
You are always welcome at Darlington - the young and not so young, new members, or established friends all have a shared environment to explore the arts together as a community. We are an active arts center that invites participation, a comfortable place to utilize your expertise. If you enjoy getting more involved, consider becoming a member of our committees, or join our Board of Directors. Please email me at: eric@darlingtonarts.org. For more information on DAC volunteering opportunities, click [here](#).

The arts bring pleasure and satisfaction. They challenge everyone to explore his or her potential and savor the fruits of the journey. We enjoy each visitor and member of the Darlington community! Come and take a tour, or just stop in to chat about the arts. Call with any questions, or visit us at www.darlingtonarts.org. Our quest is to provide Every Art for Everyone! Choose DAC classes and workshops as the avenue to express yourself on a unique artistic journey. Bring your talents and enhance your life at Darlington today!

-Eric Carter-Thompson, Executive Director

DAC Summer Camp Adventures Await

There are a few remaining spots!



Summer Camp Creativity is Underway!

There are some remaining openings to make the most of this summer. Plant seeds of learning, creativity, and discovery today. Explore and develop new interests, talents, and abilities.

Darlington Summer Arts Camp provides children with eleven weeks of interactive fun and hands-on experiential activities. Each week features a unique theme providing every child opportunities to find new areas of interest that stimulate learning. Sign up for one week or spend the entire summer at Darlington.

Start the adventure today! Get ready to weave the four arts with science and technology during [STEAM in the Summer](#) or Travel the globe during [Around the World in 5 Days](#) or go on [Storytelling Adventure](#); the possibilities for adventure await.

View the DAC [Summer Camp catalog here](#) and sign up today!

Spotlighting Dance at Darlington

Teaching Artist Olivia Goodwin Expands her Repertoire!



Spotlight on DAC Teaching Artist Olivia Goodwin (Dance)

Olivia Goodwin is an accomplished dancer and exceptional teacher of multiple forms of movement. Her expertise includes (Jazz, Tap, Ballet, Modern, Hip Hop)

With the transition of DAC Teaching Artist Hattie Weselyk, to new artistic ventures, Olivia will be expanding her teaching at Darlington directing several additional dance classes at the Center.

Olivia received her B.A in Theatre and Dance from West Chester University. Olivia choreographed numerous dance projects, musicals, and collaborated with several talented artists during her undergraduate career with University Theatre and University Dance Company. She received a Certificate of Merit from the Kennedy Center for Performing Arts, for her assistant choreography during "She Loves Me" at West Chester University.

Performing across Philadelphia and New Jersey, including Atlantic City, Olivia is a company member of the Andrea Mychaels Dance Project, a modern/jazz based dance company. She has been teaching dance throughout the Delaware Valley for over seven years and believes strongly in

the arts as vital to learning for all ages. She incorporates yoga, improvisation, and storytelling into her classes to enhance the learning experience. Olivia is grateful to be able to share her knowledge and passion for the arts while striving to create an open and engaging environment for her students. Sign up for fall/winter dance classes [here](#) and watch your children flourish under the direction of this outstanding DAC Teaching Artist.

Register Today for Great Fall Afterschool Music, Art, & Dance Classes and Workshops!



It's time for fall After-School classes and workshop registration. Opportunities for exploring the arts are available at Darlington throughout the upcoming fall and winter (ugh) seasons Monday through Friday. Now is the time to take advantage of early registration discounts and save your spot to springboard new learning in any or all of the 4-arts.

Sign up today and get ready to tap your talents when the school bus arrives in September. Sign up today for fall after-school classes and discover enjoyment that is certain to last a lifetime.

Several new classes have been added to the fall lineup. Check out these and the entire schedule today!

New After-school Classes on Tuesdays -

[Performing Arts Playground](#) (Drama) Ages: 5-10, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

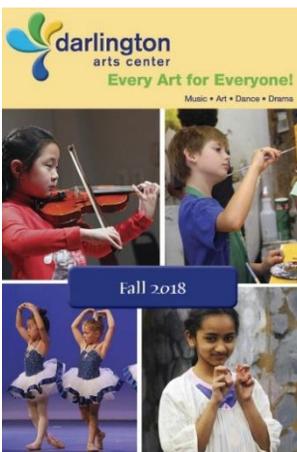
[Comic Book Club](#) (Visual Art) Ages: 5-10, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

New After-school Classes on Wednesdays -

[Language Through the Arts](#) (4 Arts) Ages: 5-10, 4:00-5:00 p.m. [Mix it Up!](#) (Visual Art) Ages: 5-10, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Check out the new [Fall/Winter catalog here](#) and sign up today!

DAC Fall Catalog is Available - Sign up for classes today!



The new Darlington Fall Catalog is now available in print and on line. Now is the time to peruse the many opportunities available to develop your talents and grow your abilities in the four arts.

Multiple avenues to explore music, art, drama, and dance await to add beauty and spice to life for children and adults.

Peruse the new classes in visual art and drama including [Performing Arts Playground](#) or [Mix it Up](#).

Adults can also tone up and get fit with new [Barre Fitness for Adults](#) or grab brushes and canvas for [Beginner Watercolor Painting for Adults](#).

View the new DAC [Fall catalog here](#) and sign up for classes and workshops today!

DAC Preschool Open House Thursday, September 6!



Register now for Darlington's new 5-Day Preschool

Mark your calendar. Thursday, September is Preschool Open House day providing a preview of opening day the following week. This unique Arts-based early learning program emphasizes creativity, imagination, exploration, and active participation! An additional advantage is the introduction of foreign language learning through the Language University program [Learn more here.](#)

Pick your days: Monday - Friday (1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 days/week)
Signup for one, two or all five this September!

Half-day Sessions: 9 AM-12 noon

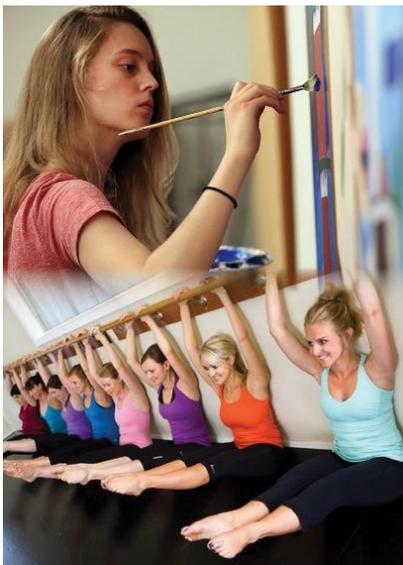
9-month Program: September-May

Get your preschooler ready for next year. Open the doorway to learning by utilizing the arts. Stop in, tour the facility, and meet new friends, Discover why Darlington's arts-integrated preschool program is the right fit for your little learner. RSVP to programs@darlingtonarts.org.

Spaces remain for Preschool this September. Sign up today!

Arts for Adults Abound in our Fall Catalog!

Sign up for classes in Music, Art, Dance & Drama today!



Get ready for fall adult classes at DAC. Beginning in September, there are multiple opportunities for adults to participate in the arts at Darlington! Sign up and express yourself through the arts! Classes and workshops are available to engage your creative spirit and discover your muse. Get ready to soar to new heights and sign up [here](#) today!

Fall Adult Classes & Workshop include:

[Beginner Watercolor Painting for Adults](#) - 4 Fridays, 9/14-10/5 @ 9-10 AM [Beginner Salsa Dancing for Partners](#) 4 Fridays @ 6-7 PM [Barre Fitness for Adults](#) Mondays @ 6:30-7:30 PM (9 weeks) Sept. 17-Nov. 12

Develop your unique style and let the art flow through you. Ventures in the arts enliven the spirit and last a lifetime!

Commit to the arts, explore your talents and never look back. **Sign up for creative learning at DAC today!**

DAC Acknowledges Our Gifted Teaching Artists



DAC Teaching Artist of the Month

Lingchin Liao (Violin, Suzuki, Early Childhood Music) is a long-standing member of the DAC Teaching Artist staff. She is a highly gifted violinist and an admired teacher at the Center. A dynamo of talent and energy, coupled with a strong desire to teach, Lingchin has introduced stringed instruments to a myriad of students at the Center and through the Outreach program creating a symphony of joy and skilled students in the process.

Her credentials include a M.M. and Professional Studies in Violin Performance, at Temple University and; B.M. Music Education and Violin Performance

from National Taiwan Normal University. She studied violin with Helen Kwalwasser and received additional training in Suzuki violin. Lingchin has performed with the Haddonfield Symphony Orchestra and Taipei City Symphony Orchestra. Her teaching experience includes The Music School of Delaware, Cairn University, Temple University Music Prep, and Trevoese Day School.

Lingchin is available during the academic year on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays. **Sign up to learn with this talented DAC Teaching Artist today!**

October Coffee House Concert Opens the Season



The Homegrown String Band Trio (Bluegrass-Folk) (Bluegrass-Folk)

The Homegrown String Band™ kicks off the fall 2018 Coffee House concert series. They perform authentic bluegrass/folk string band music brought up to speed with a family of musicians collaborating for a unique repertoire drawn from classic rural Americana. Their spin on this traditional music is innovative and honed to perfection. Comprised of husband and wife plus daughter, this dynamic trio utilize an eclectic palette of instruments including guitar, banjo,

fiddle, dulcimer, mandolin, banjo-ukulele, harmonica, jaw-harp, and doumbek to put their own musical DNA on a broad music genre.

Traversing ancient ballads of the British Isles to blues and bluegrass of the twentieth century, these crowd favorites bring high energy while creating a memorable soundscape. The Homegrown String Band will etch their place in every heart as they launch the new Coffee House season at Darlington. Foot tapping and body swaying will linger long into the night when their feel good music nourishes body and soul.

Get Ready for Great DAC Events this Fall



Save the Date for Upcoming Events!

Mark your Calendars for DAC Events this fall!

Back to School Arts Party *Saturday, September 29*

Student Recital *October 19*

Preschool Halloween Party *Wednesday, October 31*

Student Recital *November 9*

Holiday Jam *Saturday, December 8*

[Autumn Coffee House Concerts](#)

October 6 * *The Homegrown String Band* **November 10** * *Geri Smith*

December 8 * *Liz Filios with Ira Cantor*

Events are open for DAC members and family and friends. **Select dates today!**

Contact Registration Manager Madeleine Turley at register@darlingtonarts.org for reservations and information at Darlington today!

Save the Date for DAC Events



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