Whether studying a particular theme in the classroom or focusing on a specific artist or art movement in mind, we can customize a tour to fit your needs. (Pro tip: with virtual tours student see artwork from the collection that may not be on view!) Plan your tour by identifying top priorities.

You may indicate up to THREE priorities of artists or themes you'd like your students to see. Tell us:

1. MUST SEE
2. ALSO NICE TO SEE
3. ONLY IF THERE'S TIME

FEATURING EXHIBITIONS
Choose TWO featured exhibitions for your visit. For a complete list of current and upcoming exhibitions and their descriptions, visit mcnay.org/exhibitions.

• True Believers: Benny Andrews & Deborah Roberts
  October 6, 2022 | January 22, 2023

• Margarita Cabrera: Blurring Borders
  October 6, 2022 | January 22, 2023

• Something Wicked
  Susan Hilferty Costumes
  September 8, 2022 | March 26, 2023

MAKE THE MCNAY YOUR VIRTUAL CLASSROOM
Book a virtual tour to take a dive into a theme. Students engage with art and make connections through active discussion.

SEEK AND FIND
Explore the museum grounds as you engage in a quest to locate outdoor sculptures in a self-guided activity.

BOOK A BILINGUAL TOUR
¡Bienvenidos al McNay! Inquire about a bilingual tour with Spanish-speaking docents or staff. Email tours@mcnayart.org for a complete list of languages offered.
FAQs

Q: Is the McNay currently offering in-person tours?
A: The McNay is currently booking Fall tours.

Q: Are masks required on tours?
A: Masks and social distancing are optional for all visitors. Masks are encouraged on tours.

Q: How much does a student tour cost?
A: Student tours are free! Chaperones also receive free admission for up to 1 adult per every 5 students. Adults exceeding the 1:5 ratio are asked to pay a discounted adult admission of $15.

Q: How can we afford buses to bring students to the McNay?
A: The McNay offers bus reimbursement for school visits, up to $250 per bus. Email tours@mcnayart.org for more information.

Q: What days/times may we schedule a tour?
A: Student tours must be scheduled at least two weeks in advance and are available:
- Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays starting at 10:15 am. The Museum is closed on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Q: What days/times may we schedule a virtual tour?
A: Virtual tours must be scheduled at least two weeks in advance and are available:
- Monday–Friday from 9am–5 pm.

Q: How many students may we bring on a tour?
A: In-person tours are currently limited to 50 students per tour, per hour. Virtual tours can accommodate up to 250 participants. Capacities are subject to current health guidelines.

Q: How long do virtual tours last?
A: For grades K–3, tours last approximately 45 minutes. For grades 4 and up, tours last approximately 60 minutes.

Q: How do I schedule a tour?
A: Visit mcnayart.org/tours and click Student Tours to complete an online tour request. Be ready with:
- Name of your school or organization
- Contact name, phone number, email, and mailing address
- Number of students in your group
- Date and time you would like your tour

If you have any additional questions, or are interested in educator resources, please contact: tours@mcnayart.org or 210.805.1767

Dear Teaching Colleague,

We are so excited to welcome you and your students back to the McNay Museum — both in person and virtual (teacher and parent choice).

In this Student Tour Playlist you will find information linking your curriculum to works of art on view throughout the museum - both in our Main Collection Galleries and the Stieren Center. We are all looking forward to seeing you in our wonderful museum soon!

Mary Arno
Docent Chair, 2021–2022

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Explore Outdoors

Snails are known for their leisurely pace, but the newest addition to the McNay Art Museum’s outdoor sculpture collection is rapidly becoming a visitor favorite. Plan to see History of the Conquest by Hank Willis Thomas on your next visit to the Museum grounds.

Spotlight 2022–2023

Spotlight invites students to respond to a selected work of art in the McNay’s collection.

How do YOU Spotlight?
- Learn about the Spotlight selection on a free student tour.
- Schedule a class presentation with a McNay educator.
- Save-the-Date for the educator workshop, Spotlight Saturday on Saturday, November 5, 2022.


Elphaba in Wicked, Wicked LLC. Courtesy of Susan Hilferty