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FEBRUARY 2025
25-27

BAC ANNUAL | **40TH** | ART FESTIVAL
AT BREVARD ZOO



BAC is a social enterprise dedicated to building communities that support members of unique abilities in growing their own personal success. The experience and opportunity that this event provides to our participants and those in our community, is a core service to our enrichment services, which you can become involved in or can support by visiting bacemploy.com

welcome



Dear Friends, Artists, and Supporters,

Welcome to the **40th Annual BAC Arts Festival**—a milestone celebration of creativity, inclusion, and the transformative power of the arts!

For four decades, this festival has been a testament to the incredible impact of the arts on learning, growth, and self-expression, especially for youth with disabilities. Through painting, music, dance, and more, the BAC Arts programs have provided a platform for young artists to explore their talents, build confidence, and share their unique voices with the world.

The arts are more than just an outlet for creativity—they open doors to new possibilities, enhance cognitive and motor skills, and inspire boundless imagination. We have witnessed firsthand how artistic expression empowers individuals, fostering independence and a sense of belonging in ways that words alone cannot.

This festival would not be possible without the dedication of our passionate employees, teachers and selfless volunteers. Your commitment to nurturing talent and encouraging artistic exploration has changed lives, and for that, we offer our deepest gratitude.

As we celebrate this 40-year legacy, let us honor the artists who have shared their visions, the mentors who have guided them, and the community that continues to uplift and embrace the power of creativity. Thank you for being a part of this journey, and here's to many more years of artistic inspiration!

With gratitude,



Amar Patel
President and Chief Executive Officer



Lunch Schedule

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TUESDAY FEB 25

11:00 – 11:30

Andrew Jackson
Hoover
James Madison
Jefferson
John F Kennedy
Southwest
Astronaut

11:30 – 12:00

Bayside
Cocoa
Devereux
Eau Gallie

12:00 – 12:30

Heritage
Melbourne
Merritt Island
Rockledge Senior
Space Coast Jr/Sr
Viera

WEDNESDAY FEB 26

11:00 – 11:30

Croton
Challenger 7
Golfview
Hans Christian
Andersen
Harbor City
Imperial Estates

11:30 – 12:00

Lewis Carroll
Lockmar
Manatee
Ocean Breeze
Pinewood
Quest
Roy Allen
Sea Park
Sunrise

12:00 – 12:30

Tropical
Turner
Viera

THURSDAY FEB 27

11:00 – 11:30

Jupiter
Apollo
Bethany Christian
Creel
Discovery
Dr. WJ Creel
Enterprise
Fairglen

11:30 – 12:00

Meadowlane
MILA
Oak Park

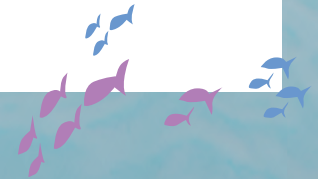
12:00 – 12:30

Palm Bay
Shining Starr Learning
Suntree
Turner
Williams

TEACHERS- PLEASE NOTE:

Picnic tables fill up quickly. Please find your lunch time on the schedule and keep to the schedule to allow for enough seats for all classes. This chart serves only as a guide and times are approximate. Please feel free to adjust as needed.

Turn to the next page to find the locations of all the Arts Stops. Please be mindful that while you may not be able to visit all the Arts Stops, we do hope you will discover ideas to utilize in your classrooms.





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Saturday March 1, 2025

1:00pm and 6:00pm Show Times
Merritt Island High School Auditorium



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CHARITY SHOW FOR
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SCAN FOR TICKETS





- A** BAC ARTS
Collaborative Art Project
- B** BAC ARTS
Collaborative Art Project
- C** GFWC - VIERA
Make a Turtle, Octopus or Fish

- D** EFSC - JOHN FAVUZZA
Talk With Your Hands!
- E** EFSC - HEATHER HAMAN
Make a Jellyfish
- F** CITY OF MELBOURNE - LISA GOOD
Fish Handprint - Post Card



Quiet Area in Exceptional Nature Space

Free Play / Movement Area in Paws On

- G** KRICKET MOROS
Musical Petting Zoo
- G*** SPACE COAST JR / SR HIGH
Orchestra Performance
(Tuesday Only)
- H** DALLAS CLARK
Find Your Rythym on Drums

- I** BPS & FDLRSR
Sea Life Project & S.O.A.R.
- J** IRL COUNCIL
Salty Science with One Lagoon
- K** BREVARD ZOO
Decorate a Fish Cutout
- L** BAC
Event Info Tent

20-HOUR (1-WEEK) VIRTUAL CYBER-SAFETY CAREER CAMP

Presented by BAC and Codecraft Works

Monday-Friday, March 17th – 21st, 2025
1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Students who complete both 10 hours Work Readiness and 10 hours of Job Exploration training will receive a **\$150 stipend.**

Career Camp is open to Florida students ages 14-21, in school with an IEP or 504 Plan. Disclaimer: Any student who receives incentives, gifts, etc. from BAC may receive a tax form reporting the receipt of payments. For questions, please consider consulting a financial advisor.

The program includes work readiness lessons, certifications, and career presenters. Sessions will be live and interactive, while including discussions about cyber-safety, career navigation, and community impact. Lessons will be adjusted for students who may need accommodation.

Students **MUST be referred** to the program by Vocational Rehabilitation. If interested, please contact your VR Counselor or local VR office for a referral.

<https://www.rehabworks.org//student-youth/student-transition.html>

We are registered with the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) and can provide services to VR participants.



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FREE TRAINING PROGRAM



In Partnership With

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Fall 2024: October - December

Spring 2025: January - March

Summer 2025: TBD

Mondays & Wednesdays 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Saturdays 9:00 am - 12:00 pm



BAC's LaunchIT Youth Program: Click IT is a customized, 60 hour live virtual training program geared for students ages 14 through 21 with varied abilities who are interested in gaining knowledge in the Information Technology (IT) field and have a current IEP and/or a 504 plan. Must be enrolled in school or post-secondary school. This FREE program is available throughout the state of Florida.

Are You Ready to Click IT? Apply today bacemploy.com/launchit

**The Youth LaunchIT program does not include a stipend for participation.*

Participants do not need to be connected with VR to participate in this state funded program



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