

Monday

Core Afterschool and Enrichment Class Descriptions

Reds Core Afterschool

2:45-6:00
Fours-1st
Joel Remland
Nicole Smoot
Hannah Watkins
Gilfillan
Christine Gauthier

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3:30-4:30: Outdoor play on the roof or at Downing Street Park.
4:30-5:45: Arts and crafts project in the Lower School Art Room.
5:45-6:00: Wrapping up the day/storytime.

Blues Core Afterschool

3:00-6:00
2nd-6th
Ken Zwerin
Adrian Jevicki
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4:00-4:30: Snack and board games/social time in the cafeteria.
4:30-6:00: Outdoor play at Houston Ball Field and cooking in the cafeteria.

Karate 1

3:30-4:00
Fours-K
Vincent Barile

This class introduces the young beginner to the basic movements and ideas of Karate. *Come dressed in clothes that you can move in.*

Vincent Barile has been the Afterschool Karate teacher at LREI for over eight years. He is a second-degree black belt in the Japanese style of Goju Ryu and has over 15 years of experience in this form. Vincent is also on the Physical Education team at LREI, teaching Karate in the High School Division.

Karate 2

4:00-5:00
1st-2nd
Vincent Barile

This class introduces the older beginner/young intermediate to the basic movements and ideas of Karate.

Vincent Barile: see Karate 1

Karate 5

5:00-6:00
*With Instructor
Permission*
Vincent Barile

This is the most advanced karate class. Students must have three years of experience and the permission of the instructor to enroll.

Vincent Barile: see Karate 1

Lego Land

3:10-3:55
K-1st
Seth Eastman

An exciting and informative adventure into the world of Legos! Students will be introduced to the differently shaped building blocks and be given time to acquaint themselves with the materials. We will quickly transition to making vehicles, vertical/ building design and construction. In each class, students will have the opportunity to interact and play with what they have created.

Seth Eastman has been teaching young children since completing his Masters degree in Early Childhood Education at Bank Street. At LREI, Seth has been an associate teacher with Kindergarten and Second Grade, a co-teacher for the Fours with Sandy Wolkenburg and a Head Camp Counselor with Little Red Summer Camp.

Flamenco 1 & 2

Flamenco 1
3:10-4:00
1st-2nd
Barbara Martinez

This class introduces students to the basics of flamenco dance technique (arm and hand movement, feet tapping, hand clapping, turns, marking steps) and encourages students to explore the challenging rhythmic patterns that make flamenco music unique. Using fun games, theater skits and movement exercises, children also learn about expression, choreography, good rehearsal technique, theater/dance terms and Spanish! Students will work toward a presentation of group choreography at the Enrichment Share in December.

Flamenco 2
4:00-5:00
3rd-4th
Barbara Martinez

Bárbara Martínez has been performing since she was a child, singing and acting in opera, off-Broadway theater and feature film. She performs as both dancer and singer with flamenco dance companies such as Sol y Sombra, Andrea del Conte Danza España, Oscar Valero Company and Pasión y Arte and with musical groups, such as Gazpacho Andalú, Flamenco Sepharad and Cobra. Her recent credits include singing for Pilar Rioja at El Repertorio Español, dancing at Lincoln Center Out of Doors and choreographing and recording original music for the feature film Buscando a Miguel. In addition to Afterschool at LREI, Bárbara teaches at Bank Street School and Fazil's Studio, and recently taught master classes for artistic gymnasts of Cirque du Soleil's "Corteo".

**Digital
Photography**

3:30-4:30
3rd-5th
Alice Proujansky

Students will use photography to brainstorm and answer questions like, what is my New York? Is it a crowded street or a new tree? A funny dog or a tall building? We'll talk about what images mean, how cameras work, and how to use photography to portray feelings and opinions. We will use digital cameras, go on photography walks, and learn how to manipulate our images in the computer lab.

Alice Proujansky is a photojournalist, teaching artist, and most recently, head of the Summers at LREI media team. She holds a BFA in Photography from NYU Tisch School of the Arts and has taught at the International Center of Photography, the Red Hook Community Justice Center and many schools around the city.

Boys Basketball

4:00-5:15
4th-5th
Seth Eastman

Take the ball and run with it, but don't "travel"! Improve your basketball skills, learn to work with teammates on the court, and learn new moves that will help you put the ball in the hoop. There will be plenty of time for scrimmaging and game play.

Seth Eastman: See Lego Land (Monday).

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- 4:30-5:45: Experiments and Explorations: Fun science projects, exploring the world around us.
- 5:45-6:00: Wrapping up the day/storytime.

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- 4:00-4:15/4:30: Snack and board games/social time in the cafeteria.
- 4:30-6:00: Outdoor play at Houston Ball Field followed by a visual arts project (painting, building, sculpting, drawing, etc.).

Early Gymnastics

3:15-4:10
 Fours-1st
 Christie Newman

This class is an introduction to gymnastics and tumbling. We will learn jumps, handstands, rolls, and cartwheels as we improve our gymnastics skills through floor exercise, vault, and balance beam activities. In a safe and creative environment, children will focus on increasing strength, flexibility, and coordination through fun and engaging movement. Attention will be given to building confidence and communication skills through interactive group exercises.

Christie Newman is from California, but has been living in New York for the past several years. She received her Master of Fine Arts degree in choreography from Temple University, and is currently pursuing a Masters in Childhood Education and Special Education. Christie has been teaching dance, gymnastics, and yoga for past ten years, and is currently teaching dance at an elementary school in New York.

From Scratch

3:15-4:30
 K-1st
 Hannah Watkins
 Gilfillan

For curious kids who like to know how things are made, we'll try our hands at a range of projects from baking bread to making paper to sewing our own stuffed animals. We'll discover so much as we learn to make things from scratch!

Hannah Watkins Gilfillan has been working in Afterschool and Summers at LREI since 2006. Hannah holds a bachelor's degree from Virginia Commonwealth University in English and Dance & Choreography and an MFA in Nonfiction Writing from Sarah Lawrence College. In addition to teaching, Hannah works as a freelance writer.

Beginning Chess

3:15-4:10
EK-1st
Fred Wilson

Learn how the pieces move and capture, and what checkmate really is. Learn the "special moves", such as *castling* and *pawn promotion*, what is a *draw*, along with such basic tactical tricks as *pins*, *forks* and *skewers*. Be introduced to the rudiments of good opening & endgame play...and, of course, have fun!

Fred Wilson has been a noted chess teacher, bookseller and author for over 30 years. During the last fifteen years he has been teaching chess to children, and currently runs chess programs at City and Country School, Grace Church School, Village Community School, Metropolitan Montessori School and Packer Collegiate Institute. He has authored and co-authored 13 books, including *A Picture History of Chess*, *101 Questions on How to Play Chess*, *202 Checkmates for Children* and many others.

Intermediate Chess

4:15-5:15
2nd-5th
Fred Wilson

Intermediate level class for children who know how to play.

Learn the fundamentals of correct opening, middlegame & endgame play. Study classic games illustrating successful attacking ideas, good middlegame planning and/or essential endgame technique. Learn how to notate (record) chess games, use a chess clock and play in practice tournaments directed by Mr. Wilson. Also, many of the student's own recorded games will be studied and evaluated during the instructions.

Fred Wilson: See Beginning Chess

Karate 3

3:15-4:15
2nd & up
Vincent Barile

This is an intermediate level class. Students must have completed at least one year of karate classes and have the permission of the instructor to enroll.

Vincent Barile: See Karate 1 (Monday).

Karate 4

4:15-5:15
3rd & up
Vincent Barile

This is an advanced class. Students must have two years of experience and instructor permission to enroll.

Vincent Barile: See Karate 1 (Monday).

Floor Hockey & European Handball

4:15-5:15
3rd-5th
Joel Remland

Players will explore the basic rules and strategies of these classic (if underappreciated) team games, and have ton of fun in the process! Floor hockey is an adapted indoor version that uses padded foam sticks, while European handball can best be described as hands-on soccer. Players will develop on-the-court skills while learning the importance of teamwork and sportsmanship in a safe, high-energy environment.

Joel Remland A veteran of the Afterschool Program, Joel Remland is in his sixth year at LREI, serving as Department Head for the Reds group. Joel is also a perennial staff member at Little Red Summer Camp, acting as head counselor for six consecutive summers. A graduate of NYU with degrees in political science and journalism, he got his start in education as an academic tutor in the America Reads work-study program, earning classroom experience at PS 3 in the West Village. In his free time, Joel has been pursuing a lifelong passion for music, playing guitar and singing in various bands over the last ten years, recording albums and performing for audiences across the US and Canada.

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4:30-5:45: Indoor and Outdoor Games: Includes cooperative play, movement games, and/or board games.
5:45-6:00: Wrapping up the day/storytime.

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4:30-6:00: Park Day: Includes time for free play and larger group games such as kickball.

Dress-Up Club

3:15-4:15
Fours-1st
Nora Woolley

In this creative play class, we will fully incorporate art projects (magic potions, jeweled treasures, and gnome homes...oh my!) and cooking (spider juice, princess cakes, and moon bread...oh my!) into our favorite imaginative dress-up activities, kids will follow their imagination to a whole new world. And of course, we won't forget to make the most of the fabulous costumes, props, and music in the dress-up club treasure box. No previous dress-up experience required. Past Dress-Up Club students are welcome to register again.

Nora Woolley began teaching at LREI six years ago, after earning her BFA in Theater from The Experimental Theater Wing at NYU's Tisch School of the Arts. In addition to teaching theater, visual art, and being a Middle School Department Head in Afterschool at LREI, Nora most recently as the Program Coordinator for LREI Institute 2008. Nora has also taught physical acting and character work at NYU, and performs with an array of theatre companies both regionally and abroad.

Super Sports

3:10-4:00
EK-1st
Dave Edson

We will have so much fun exploring a wide variety of sports and games, all in a safe, fair and educational way. From personal achievement to an emphasis on cooperative teamwork, some sports will be familiar to grown-ups while others are just for kids! We will exercise in disguise with such classics as "Fishy, Fishy" and "Ocean, Shore, Wave" and kids will get to challenge themselves in whole new ways with games they didn't know they could do like Soccer, T-ball, or "Run the Gauntlet". Your kids will be teaching you games in no time!

Dave Edson has been teaching in the Afterschool and Summer Programs, and in various Lower School grades at LREI since 2003. His classes have included sports, science, music, and performing arts. In addition to teaching, Dave is a professional actor and musician. He has been playing guitar for 17 years, specializing in the blues. Dave's theater education includes a BFA from Ithaca College and extensive training with Anne Bogart's SITI Company. He always teaches things that he loves, so when a child feels the excitement of learning about a giant squid, experiencing teamwork, creating art or making someone laugh...there is no turning back!

Woodworking

3:15-4:15
1st & up
Peggy Resnick

Individual woodworking projects are at the heart of this class, where students are introduced to the tools and workings of the material.

Peggy Resnick is the Lower School woodshop teacher. She began her career teaching art in the public schools, became the woodshop teacher at the Bank Street School for Children, and came to LREI five years ago. Peggy has a BA degree from Washington University, a BFA from Cooper Union, and an MA from Teachers College.

American Sign Language

4:00-5:00
2nd-4th
Miriam Morrow

This class will give students an exciting view into the use of basic American Sign Language (ASL). A variety of fun activities will be provided and will include age-appropriate games, art, and storytelling all through the use of fun props. Sign language vocabulary will include colors, animals, emotions, food items, family members, making requests and many more!

Miriam Morrow has 15 years of experience teaching American Sign Language (ASL) to children, adults, college students, family members of deaf children, and professionals. She appears in several ASL educational CD-ROMS for children and adults. She is currently teaching ASL at New York University, is an instructor in the interpreter education program at LaGuardia Community College and is an ASL consultant nationwide where she provides professional development on a variety of topics. She also provided ASL classes to the staff members at LREI several times. As a parent at LREI, Miriam is excited to continue to be part of the LREI community and in sharing her language with the students.

Game On: Kickball and Soccer

4:00-5:00
2nd-3rd
Dave Edson

Does your second or third grader have skills? Yes. Would they like to have more skills? Of course! All levels are welcome as we explore and develop the fundamentals of kickball and soccer through drills, fun exercises, and games. Emphasis is placed on doing one's personal best and supporting team members. Strategies, trick plays, practice and, fun fun fun. We will learn from and encourage each other. Recess will never be the same!

Dave Edson: See Super Sports (Wednesday).

Science: Making Things that Move, Roll, Float, and Fly

3:45-4:45

3rd-6th

Steve Volkmann

If you have ever wondered how and why objects move, roll, float or fly, then this fun class is for you! We will discover the science behind the movement of machines that surround us. By taking apart machines that move students will find out there are many different science principles behind these moving objects. We will investigate different types of power sources, motors and scientific principles that create and sustain motion, flight and floatation, we will also learn about potential and kinetic energy. Students will use this information to design and construct different machines that move, roll, float and fly. Building and testing these fun machines is the best way to really understand why and how things move. Roll, float and fly!

Steve Volkmann has been a science teacher for over 15 years. Using physics principles to teach engineering concepts, he helps students understand how and why machines work and how structures stand and support weight. Steve enjoys machines, building, creativity and technology, and brings all these elements together in meaningful hands-on projects. Steve is currently teaching seventh and eighth grade science here at LREI and brings his enthusiasm to the classroom in order to stretch students' thinking and help them design and construct working examples of these principles.

Girls Basketball

3:45-5:00

4th-5th

Instructor TBA

This class will address the fundamentals through a series of classic drills. Students will learn defensive positions, screens and offensive cuts as well as practice passing, dribbling and shooting. Each class will be a mix of active drills with discussion, walk-throughs and lots of game play!

Instructor: TBA

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3:30-4:30: Outdoor play on the roof or at Downing Street Park.

4:30-5:45: Cooking: Children are engaged in each part of the cooking process: planning, measuring, mixing, pouring- and when it's all done- eating!

5:45-6:00: Wrapping up the day/storytime.

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4:30-6:00: Wacky Games, Secret Missions, Physical Arts and More!

Wild Life

3:15-4:10
EK-1st
Dave Edson

Are you a budding paleontologist or naturalist? Are you excited about strange animal behavior and interesting tidbits? Do you want to share and learn about the biggest, the fastest, the smartest, the strongest, and the craziest animals ever? If you do, this class is for you. From the endangered to the extinct, from myth to fact, we will unlock the mystery of animals through stories and art. Former Wild Lifers are encouraged to register.

Dave Edson: See Super Sports (Wednesday).

Ballet with Piano

3:15-4:00
EK-1st
Instructor TBA
Pianist: Peter Yarin

Put on your dancing shoes and explore the world of ballet and creative movement with live accompaniment on the grand piano! No dance experience necessary. We will share a performance at the Piano, Ballet, and Voice Recital in December. *Please wear comfortable clothes and ballet slippers or socks.*

Instructor: TBA

Beginning Mandarin

3:15-4:15
K-2nd
Instructor TBA

This creative, immersion-style classes for Kindergarten-Second Grade, we work in thematic units built around simple stories, pattern books, songs and rhymes, and other creative activities. In our integrated approach, students focus first on listening and speaking. Students are exposed to reading and writing through shared reading activities such as read-alouds. Creative activities including art projects, story writing and book-making reinforce linguistic skills learned in the classroom. In physical games like "Laoshi Shuo" (teacher says) students learn to follow and give directions while their minds and bodies are engaged.

Instructor: TBA

The Play Must Go On

4:15-5:15

2nd-5th

Dave Edson

Why do you think they call it "putting on a play"? Finally! A theater class in which you can create characters and play with them on your own stage. By using a variety of theatre games, we will develop improvisational skills and explore collaborating with friends in a highly creative environment. The results are often hilarious while building confidence and teamwork skills. This class welcomes new and returning students.

Dave Edson: See Super Sports (Wednesday).

Gymnastics

4:10-5:10

2nd-5th

Natalie Bevacqua

In this class we will explore our body's strength and flexibility through exciting and challenging gymnastics skills. In a fun and supportive environment, students will work on floor, balance beam and vault to increase coordination, focus and self-confidence. Every class will have stretching, introduction to new skills or techniques and a circuit that involves multiple apparatuses. We will also focus on joining skills together to create sequences and creative "routines". This class is open to gymnasts of any level or experience.

Natalie Bevacqua began teaching in the Afterschool program in 2007. She has been involved in gymnastics her entire life and loves to share it with others. As a competitive gymnast Natalie was 5 time YMCA National finalist and a 2 time YMCA National All-American. She has been teaching gymnastics to children of all ages for 8 years and has also served as a choreographer and competitive.

After graduating from Yale in 2006 with a degree in Psychology, Natalie began teaching in the classroom. She is currently teaching 2nd grade at Aaron School while working towards her Masters in Education at Bank Street College of Education.

**Reds and Blues
Core Afterschool**

2:45-6:00
Fours-6th
All Core Faculty

All ages join together on Fridays in Afterschool. On the first Friday of each month, students participate in the First Friday performance series between 4:15-5:15, which features a variety of guest artists, musicians, actors and dancers who share with us some of the cultural diversity to be found in New York. Past workshops have included capoeira, puppet theater, African dance, storytelling from around the world, and blues music, to name a few.

Subsequent Fridays in the month feature choice activities, where children may choose one of several projects offered by the Core Afterschool faculty. These choices can range from cooking projects and outdoor games to dance parties and much more.

Soccer

3:15-4:15
EK-1st
Ken Zwerin

In this class we will explore the basics of soccer, the world's game! If you have ever watched the World Cup, you know how exciting it can be. We will gain an appreciation of the game while we learn to work together, use our feet, and build an understanding of the rules. Join us and see how fun it is to dribble, pass, shoot and play the game!

Ken Zwerin is currently the Afterschool Blues Department Head, and has been working in the Afterschool and Summer Programs here at LREI since 2005. Ken played organized soccer for ten years as a goalkeeper. He has coached three age levels and is an accredited U.S. Soccer Federation coach. He is also a professional musician, writer and actor.

Ceramics

3:15-4:15
1st & up
Ann Schaumburger

Students will discover the sculptural qualities of clay by working at their own pace to make animals, vessels, sculptures, and other figures from their imagination. Children will take home fired and glazed work.

Ann Schaumburger has been the Lower School Art teacher at LREI for fifteen years. She is a painter who shows regularly in New York City. She created Urban Oasis, a seventeen frieze glass mosaic permanently on view at the R/N Fifth Avenue subway station in New York City. She has a BS in Art from Skidmore College and an MS in Art Education from New York University.

Woodworking

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1st & up
Peggy Resnick

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Peggy Resnick: See Woodworking (Wednesday).

Kids on Camera

3:15-4:30

3rd-5th

Adrian Jevicki

Attention all storytellers, movie-makers and creative people! Through a series of projects (our own documentaries, music videos, video collages, etc.) we will explore the world of the moving image. Along the way, we will learn how to edit our movies, how to compose a shot, how to communicate without words, and many other exciting things that will help us tell stories about ourselves and the world around us. If you've ever wanted to tell a story with a video camera, this is the class for you!

Adrian Jevicki is a graduate of Brown University where he studied Theater, Speech, and Dance. While there, he was also fortunate enough to take physics with Nobel Laureate Prof. Leon Cooper whose interest in the arts as well as physics helped open new doors to thinking about the sciences for Adrian. In addition to working in the Afterschool program and Summers at LREI, Adrian is a performing artist and choreographer who has worked with various downtown and Brooklyn-based dance/theater companies.
