

City of Santa Clara  
*Proclamation*

- WHEREAS,** Children's Art Month began in 1961 to emphasize the importance of art education, and in 1969 the celebration expanded to become Youth Arts Month, that encourages the support of quality school art programs and youth-made art. The month of March is nationally recognized as Arts Education Month celebrating the benefits of arts education for students and recognizing arts educators in the community; and
- WHEREAS,** arts-learning strategies and arts integration help teachers to recognize and build upon critical thinking skills, curiosity, flexibility, communication, innovation, and collaboration, all of which are key traits for success in education and in the workplace; and
- WHEREAS,** the Santa Clara County Office of Education has put forward a focused arts education initiative known as Artspiration to foster creativity, imagination, innovation, and joy through direct arts instruction and integrated Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM) learning; and
- WHEREAS,** The Don Callejon Arts and Design School ignites the flames of creativity in every student, nurturing their innate talents and fostering a deeper understanding of the world through art and design.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, LISA M. GILLMOR,** by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor, and on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2025 as

**YOUTH ARTS MONTH**

in the City of Santa Clara and encourage arts in our classrooms and celebrate students' creativity, inspiration, and joy through artistic expression.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the City of Santa Clara, California, this 25<sup>TH</sup> day of March 2025.



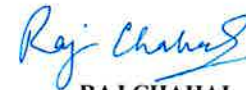
LISA M. GILLMOR  
MAYOR, CITY OF SANTA CLARA



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