

# The Great **Mystery Show**

## SCHOOL WORKSHOPS

The American Visionary Art Museum invites you and your students to join us for a hands-on visionary experience. Tap into your creative energy, experiment with unconventional materials, and make extraordinary creations in our visionary classroom! Workshops are inspired by the artists featured in the permanent collection and the current exhibition ***The Great Mystery Show***, and give students an opportunity to explore their creativity in a new way.

Teachers will indicate their workshop preference on their Group Visit Request form. Hands-on workshops are about 50 minutes long, and include a brief introduction to visionary art and the corresponding inspirational artist. Each participating student will complete a project to take home.

### BEADED BEAST

*Inspired by Roominous installation*

Three visionary artists collaborated to create a grand-scale, beaded mosaic installation in *The Great Mystery Show's* Half Moon Gallery. Students will be challenged to practice different mosaic techniques to create a blinged out cat or dog.

Beaded Beast is recommended for all ages.



### INNER-VIRONMENT: WHAT'S IN YOUR HEART?

*Inspired by Lorann Jacobs*

One of the *The Great Mystery Show's* great mysteries is the human heart. Students will think beyond the physical realm to consider what's inside their heart. They will create a 3-D sculpture showing the textures, colors, shapes, and other contents of their heart's "inner-vironment."

Inner-vironment: What's In Your Heart? is recommended for all ages.





## PLANETARY PENDANT

*Inspired by Edward Woltemate*

Visionary artist Edward Woltemate creates vivid planetary scenes from his imagination. His drawings depict the planets and inhabitants of an imaginary galaxy. In this workshop, students will use Perler beads to design their own wearable planet.

Planetary Pendant is recommended for students in grades 3 through 8.

## MICRO WORLD

*Inspired by Ingo Swann*

Visionary artist Ingo Swann was known for his “remote viewing” capabilities, where he could envision details of distant, and sometimes planetary locations. In this workshop, students will use an array of 2D and 3D materials to transform an empty box into a mini visionary environment that is out of this world!

Mirco World is only offered to students in grades 4 through 12 because hot glue guns are necessary to complete the project.



## IMAGINATION PORTRAITS

*Inspired by Gregory Warmack*

Back by popular demand, students will learn about the life and art of visionary artist Gregory Warmack, aka Mr. Imagination. Mr. Imagination is known for creating portraits out of everyday objects such as paintbrushes, brooms, and bottle caps. In this workshop, students will use Apoxie and 3D materials from our visionary treasure trove to transform ordinary paintbrushes into imaginative portraits.

Imagination Portraits workshop is recommended for students in grades K through 8.



## MORE INFORMATION

To arrange a group visit with a tour and/or workshop, contact Sara Pike at [groupvisits@avam.org](mailto:groupvisits@avam.org) or 410-244-1900 x216.

Workshops are available Tuesday through Friday for groups of 10-60 students. Workshop times can be arranged to coincide with your tour of the exhibit. The cost for each workshop is \$2 per student in addition to group admission price. Workshops and admission are FREE for Title 1 Schools. Teachers and chaperones must accompany students during their workshop. Visit [AVAM.ORG](http://AVAM.ORG) for additional information.