

Art Major Studio Special Use Review

About Art Major Studio:

We are a hands-on art enrichment center, offering all the materials you need to let your creativity shine. Our offerings are for all ages and people of all abilities. Swing by to paint, collage, tinker, build, design, or do whatever your DIY heart desires. Our mission is to encourage artistic confidence and inspire colorful minds in a positive, feel-good environment. Art Major Studio has many different offerings.

How we were founded:

Art Major Studio was born from a mother's fierce passion to craft a space where creativity, inspiration, and empowerment could flourish for both her children and herself. It's a place where freedom of expression isn't just encouraged, it's essential—because tapping into your creativity is key to living a truly fulfilling life. Our mission is to ignite happiness and positivity in everyone who walks through the doors, ensuring that people of all ages leave feeling uplifted, inspired, and more joyful than when they arrived.

There are currently two operating locations of Art Major Studios: in La Quinta, California (our original location) and Snoqualmie, Washington. We are a company of three powerful women trying to bring art to their communities.

Who is Arthur "Art" Major:

Commander Arthur "Art" Major, U.S. Navy is the grandfather of our founder (Allie Baker) and our Louisville owner (McKenna Aslin). Ever since we can remember, he was crafting and creating. In his shop he'd build model airplanes, design doll houses from scratch, and repair anything that could be tinkered, glued, or painted. Art loved the arts. He was extremely giving with his time, talents, and heart. His kindness, generosity, courage, and love for creating lives on through his namesake studio.

About the Louisville owner: I grew up in sunny California but have proudly called Colorado home for almost a decade now. I hold a Master's degree in Special Education and have spent over seven years working with individuals who have physical, mental, and developmental disabilities. I've also spent four wonderful years in education, and my passion for helping people grow and thrive has only deepened.

I'm a firm believer in the power of art as a form of self-expression—where words might fail, art always finds a way to speak. Creating a safe, inclusive space for people of all abilities is my heart's mission. Building community is also something I cherish deeply, and I'm always looking for ways to bring people together through creativity and understanding.

A little more about me: I met my awesome husband while working at a summer camp for kids with developmental disabilities, and now we've got two absolutely perfect pups! One of them only has two legs, but she's still a total ball of energy and fun—which, to me, just proves you can do anything if you put your mind to it!

We offer:

- Open Crafting: come in for by the hour crafting, where you can choose from our wall of supplies to create something awesome!
- Parties: Celebrate a birthday or any other occasion with an Art Major party! We supply a craft themed to your party and we take care of the clean up!
- Special Events: We will have special events from pottery, to resin workshops, to wreath or ornament building classes. There are so many incredible small businesses who specialize in a specific art form and we want to give them a space to share their awesome work with their community.
- Craft Camp: When school is out, we are in! We will offer crafting days for kids out of school to come in and create while their minds are taking a break from learning.

Why Louisville?:

My husband and I met working at a summer camp for kids with developmental disabilities in Lafayette. We have spent years enjoying the community of Louisville. My husband also manages a business here in Louisville as well. This city has so much to offer, with its incredible small businesses, parks, and people. We absolutely cannot wait to be a part of the creative community.

Our website: www.artmajorstudio.com/louisville-colorado/

Our hours:

MONDAY: CLOSED

TUESDAY: 10-3 reservation only; 3-6 open

WEDNESDAY: 10-6

THURSDAY: 10-6 open

FRIDAY: 12-8 open

SATURDAY: 10-4

SUNDAY: 10-4

****hours may vary based on season and private events.**

RETAIL AREA: Our retail area will consist of our merchandise for our company. E.g. ART MAJOR shirts, sweatshirts, stickers, etc.

Criteria Questions:

1. *The property upon which the proposed use is located is not contiguous to any residentially zoned property. Public right-of-way and private streets or alleys will not be considered when determining contiguity;*

NO.

2. *New building construction associated with the proposed special review use, whether for a new building or an addition to or expansion of an existing building, does not exceed 200 square feet;*

NO new construction.

3. *The proposed use is consistent in all respects with the spirit and intent of the comprehensive plan and of this chapter, and is not contrary to the general welfare and economic prosperity of the city or the immediate neighborhood;*

YES

4. *That such use/development will lend economic stability, compatible with the character of the surrounding established areas;*

YES

5. *That the use/development is adequate for the internal efficiency of the proposal, considering the functions of residents, recreation, public access, safety and such factors including circulation, storm drainage facilities, solid waste, sewage and water facilities, grades, dust control and such other factors directly related to public health and convenience;*

YES

6. *That external effects of the proposal are controlled, considering compatibility of land use; safe and efficient movement of vehicles, bicycles, and pedestrians; services, including arrangement of signs and lighting devices as to prevent the occurrence of nuisances; landscaping and other similar features to prevent the littering or accumulation of trash, together with other factors deemed to effect public health, welfare, safety and convenience;*

YES

7. *That the proposal provides for an adequate amount and proper location of pedestrian walks, malls and landscaped spaces to prevent pedestrian use of vehicular ways and parking spaces and to separate pedestrian walks, malls and public transportation loading places from general vehicular circulation facilities.*

YES

8. *That the proposed use does not include the following uses:*

- a. *Limited wholesale sales, as defined in [section 17.08.262](#).*

- b. *Mobile food court, as defined in [section 17.08.322](#).*

- c. *Banquet or reception hall, as defined in [section 17.08.029](#).*

Not to be used for any of the above.