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25th Annual Art Safari Moving Online in 2020

Torpedo Factory Art Center's free family-friendly afternoon of hands-on activities

Saturday, October 17; 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

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October 9, 2020 – Alexandria, Va. – An Alexandria tradition for 25 years, Torpedo Factory Art Center's [Art Safari](#) moves online in 2020.

Professional artists lead a series of creative hands-on projects via [Facebook Live](#) ([facebook.com/torpedofactory](https://www.facebook.com/torpedofactory)) on Saturday, October 17 with live sessions running 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Children can learn to create their own works of art like pinch pots with clay, origami butterflies, marbled paper, and more. The online sessions will feature live sessions, pre-recorded demonstrations, as well as downloadable content to create at home.

Projects are tailored for kids aged 5–12 to do together with their families. Everyone should dress to get a little messy.

Local families have enjoyed Art Safari for a quarter-century, with tens of thousands of participants from across the greater metropolitan region. Leading up to the special day, the public is invited to share their own stories and photos of past Art Safaris with hashtag **#artsafariALX**.

For more information, visit <http://torpedofactory.org/artsafari>.

Live Scheduled Activities:

- 11 a.m. – Family Painting with Judy Heiser (Studio 326)
- 1 p.m. – Suminagashi paper marbling with Sto Len
- 3 p.m. – 2020 Art Safari animal with Lisa Schumaier (Studio 16)

Pre-Recorded Online Demonstrations and Guides:

- Scope Gallery (Studio 19): Animal pinch pots
- Pat Sargent (Studio 325): Ink from black walnuts
- Tracie Griffith Tso (Studio 22): Origami butterfly mobiles
- Alexandria Archaeology Museum (Studio 327): Commemorative historic-ware
- Tai Hwa Goh (Target Gallery's 2020 Solo Show artist): Traditional *takbon* Korean rubbing techniques



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Downloadable coloring pages from:

- Rosemary Feit-Covey (Studio 224)
- Vi Trinh, 2020 winter post-grad resident
- Katherine Pedrick, local artist currently included in Target Gallery's *Mythos*
- American Institute of Architects Northern Virginia Chapter (AIA NoVA)

About the Torpedo Factory Art Center

Founded in 1974 in an old munitions plant, Torpedo Factory Art Center is home to the nation's largest number of publicly accessible working artist studios under one roof. The City of Alexandria manages Torpedo Factory Art Center through the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities as part of the [Office of the Arts](#)' family of programs and facilities. Just south of Washington, D.C., the Torpedo Factory Art Center overlooks the Potomac River in the Old Town section of Alexandria, Va. Each year, more than a half million national and international visitors meet and interact with more than 160 resident artists in 82 studios and seven galleries. For more information, visit torpedofactory.org or follow the Art Center on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [Pinterest](#) via @torpedofactory.



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