

Sasha Lyth holds a BA in Studio Art and Art Education, as well as a Single Subject Teaching Credential in Art. In addition to teaching K-12 art at Saint Bernard's Catholic School, she is also completing her MA in Education from HSU. Previously she taught art at South Fork High School, Morris Elementary, and Arcata High School. She also co-directed The Redwood Coast Children's Chorus, and served as the Program and Education Manager for the Humboldt Arts Council. She has been teaching art and music to children, teens, and adults throughout Humboldt County, both privately and in the schools for over 9 years, and has additionally worked with undergraduate students at HSU, assisting with curriculum development for their participation in the HSU Art Education and Service Learning Program. Sasha has been a guest presenter at the North Coast Education Summit, presented student work at the HCOE Arts Educational Forum, and was a featured presenter on KHSU's Art Waves. She also maintains her own art practice and examples of her work can be seen on her website, sashalyth.com. Sasha is passionate about teaching and she consistently strives to maintain a challenging, inspiring, and deeply meaningful art education for all of her students by integrating multiple learning modalities and promoting a student-centered approach in the classroom. Thus, her art classes are not only about teaching specific skills and techniques, but about using visual media as a launching point to investigate the world in which we all live. Students are encouraged to take creative risks, to think critically and creative problem solve, and to use their art making to express and communicate their personal beliefs, and ideals. It is her hope that through art education students will become empowered, autonomous learners, as well as effective collaborators.