

## Proclamation

WHEREAS, The City of Cupertino is committed to supporting the arts to

inspire and prepare students for success in the 21st century and allowing youth to develop as productive, contributing members of

a strong community;

WHEREAS, Along with the Santa Clara County Office of Education, we share

the vision of ensuring that students have access to a high-quality arts education that is culturally relevant and inclusive in all forms as part of a comprehensive education that sparks curiosity,

imagination, creativity, and joy;

WHEREAS, The month of March is recognized as Youth Art Month in the State

of California, and is an annual celebration to emphasize the value of art education for all children while encouraging support for art

programs in schools;

WHEREAS, Arts-learning strategies and arts integration help teachers to

recognize and build upon critical thinking skills, curiosity, flexibility, communication, innovation, and collaboration and are

traits required for post-secondary and workplace success;

WHEREAS, Each March, art education is celebrated in local schools, school

districts, community arts organizations, and larger communities to

grow support, understanding, and interest in art education.

**THEREFORE,** I, Mayor Darcy Paul, and the Cupertino City Council do hereby

proclaim and recognize the month of March as

Youth Arts Month

to support, encourage, and advocate for art education in our local classrooms and celebrate students' creativity, inspiration, and joy through artistic expression.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Cupertino to be affixed this Tuesday, March Second, Two Thousand and Twenty One.

Darcy Paul

Mayor