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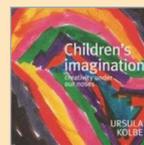
Books to buy

Unfortunately the best readings about art are in books that cost money. Here is a selection we think are worth the investment, if you choose to purchase them.



1. [Becoming With Art in Early Childhood](#)

Becoming with Art in Early Childhood is for those who are uncertain about how, as an early childhood teacher or educator, you should “do art” with children. Written by Australian educators and teachers and edited by Dr Red Ruby Scarlet this book explores art with children. **\$100**



2. [Children's Imagination: Creativity Under Our Noses](#)

Children's Imagination – Creativity Under Our Noses is by artist and educator Ursula Kolbe. Opening our eyes and ears to what's happening 'under our noses' when children play – with anything from seedpods to felt-tip pens or even an iPad. Kolbe's stories reveal that unstructured and unhurried play encourages children to become imaginative and inventive thinkers. **\$52.50**

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[Young Children, Pedagogy and the Arts: Ways of Seeing](#)

Young Children, Pedagogy and the Arts by Felicity McArdle describes practices and research that cross all five strands of the arts-visual, drama, music, dance, and media-and illuminates ways of understanding children and their arts practices that go beyond the common traditions. The book offers practical and rich illustrations of teachers' and children's work. **\$74.25**



[Rapunzel's Supermarket: All About Young Children and Their Art](#)

Rapunzel's Supermarket: All about Young Children and Their Art is filled with ideas for helping children realise their potential as image-makers. Building on children's curiosity about their world, it offers many suggestions for drawing, painting, collage, clay work, puppet making and much more. **\$57.25**



[Creativity and young children: Wondering, exploring, discovering, learning](#)

Creativity and young children: Wondering, exploring, discovering, learning – This ECA Booklet explores creativity as an essential part of early childhood, with a focus on building early childhood educators' understanding of the features and values of creative processes and their outcomes. **\$16.95**



[The Language of Art: Inquiry-Based Studio Practices in Early Childhood Settings](#)

Typical art resources for teachers offer discrete art activities, but these don't carry children or teachers into the practice of using the languages of art. *The Language of Art* by Ann Pelo offers guidance for teachers to create space, time, and intentional processes for children's exploration of art. **\$79.25**

Three online training modules from ECA are great for those wanting to know more about doing art with young children.



[Putting Art in Place](#)

Putting Art in Place by Dr Red Ruby Scarlet is a professional development program that focuses on relationships, and aims for those undertaking this learning module to 'feel' with the ears and eyes as arts practice is put in place through relationships. **\$55**



[Understanding and making art: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art in early childhood settings](#)

This module explores ways educators and young children can approach art appreciation and art-making inspired by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art. **\$38.50**



[Visual art and creativity in your curriculum](#)

This module will help you to create an early childhood curriculum that celebrates and supports the visual arts and creativity, including the tools – and attitudes – that educators need to achieve this. It features footage of art experiences and video interviews with educators. The module is particularly suitable for experienced educators. **\$38.50**

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[The Art of Strewing](#)

Strewing is the art of casually yet strategically leaving “invitations” for learning and creativity out for children to discover on their own. This web page explains more.



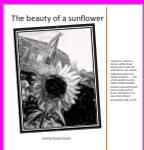
[ecARTnz e-magazine](#)

ecARTnz is an e-magazine of professional practice that show-cases examples of excellent visual art education for infants, toddlers and young children. Articles are written by early childhood teachers and students working in early childhood centres, academics and researchers. Articles are illustrated with colour photographs showing both teachers and children engaged in visual art learning experiences. Web-links to relevant internet sites are also included.



[ecARToz](#)

ecARToz is an Australian blog by Early Childhood Teacher Dr Gai Lindsay who did her PhD on visual art in early childhood. The blog is designed to support early childhood educators to share reflective stories, articles and useful resources in support of high quality early childhood visual arts pedagogy.



[The Beauty of a Sunflower](#)

The page showcases some of the excellent art projects that early childhood teachers and artists are doing with young children.



[Can I Make It With Mud Clay?](#)

A journey of making things with clay and young children.



[How to Teach the Elements of Art to Preschoolers](#)

Many advertisements on this page but persevere! A good explanation of ways you can teach the elements of art to preschoolers.

Prefer to watch videos than read?



[Beginner Art Education – All About Lines](#)

This Paint it Kids Series goes through the elements of art/design and ways you can talk about and show these with children. (Look for others in this series).



[The Benefits of Art for Kids](#)

Unconvinced about art? This website spells out the benefits of art for children.



[Art and Wonder](#)

Great video about Art and Wonder: Young Children and Contemporary Art – a research project between the Museum of Contemporary Art Australia, Macquarie University and the Mia Mia Child and Family Study Centre. Lots of video of children interacting with art.

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