

ART FOR LIFE



The **Art for Life** Children's Charity program is a comprehensive program designed to improve quality of life among children undergoing long term hospital care. This program is primarily designed to assist children cope with difficult and rigorous medical care by providing a positive focus and obtainable short and medium term goals for children ages 4-16. It also helps to give children the will to continue fighting for life through difficult programs of treatment.

All artworks created through the program (especially the most recent) are carefully framed and memorialized in one of the Art for Life museum projects, serving to honor the children's fight against their diseases and to attract donations to be used in helping to cure children's ailments. Donations can be given to a general children's cures fund or can be specially designated to help in curing one particular disease. Memorial events and counseling services for loved ones are also provided at the museums.

Art for Life uses trained children's art therapists and therapy assistants. The level and frequency of visits depends upon the size of the program in your hospital, the number of children enrolled, and the severity of need. Mobile and social children often work on their projects in groups, while children experiencing difficulties experience one-on-one sessions with an art therapist or assistant. Extra sessions can be added to run during particularly difficult times for the child, and interested parents can participate in our Art for Life Parent's Programs – which teach you the basic practices of a therapy assistant.