

SLAVEN DIZDAREVIC

"DREAMS IN MOTION: AN OLYMPIAN'S GUIDE TO ART AND AMBITION"

SPORT AND ART PROJECT FOR SCHOOLS

ROAD TO PARIS 2024

Connecting **SPORT** and **ART** with **SLAVEN**

Imagine an Olympian leading an art class, fueled by the spirit of sportsmanship.

The program starts with my own **adventure to the Olympic Games**, a story packed with inspiration and a testament to the magic of chasing your dreams. It's all about showing the students that chasing dreams is not just okay; it's amazing, and with the right mix of skills and practice, anything's possible!

Next, we plunge into the colorful world of our class with **painting activities**. Think of it as art meets the Olympics. We've got '*painting sprints*' and '*painting marathons*,' where making art is as fun as a game. Imagine the kids racing to create a masterpiece in the time it takes Usain Bolt to sprint 100m. Ready, set, boom! And just for kicks, we throw in a few burpees and push-ups, then channel that speed, strength, or endurance into an abstract masterpiece.

I'm all about *mixing it up with sports gear*, using things like tennis balls and badminton shuttles as paintbrushes to mash up sports and art in the coolest way. I'll sprinkle in some **Olympic values** and open the floor to curiosity, answering all sorts of questions about what life's like as an athlete.

This program is easy to fit into the existing school timetable, accommodating all scheduled art classes for that day. Plus, I suggest launching an art competition themed around sports and the Olympic Games, potentially culminating in a school-wide exhibition to showcase and celebrate the students' creations.

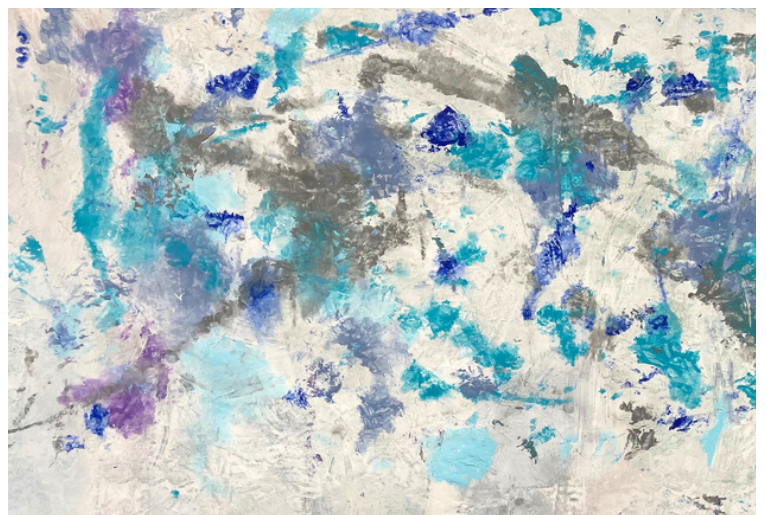
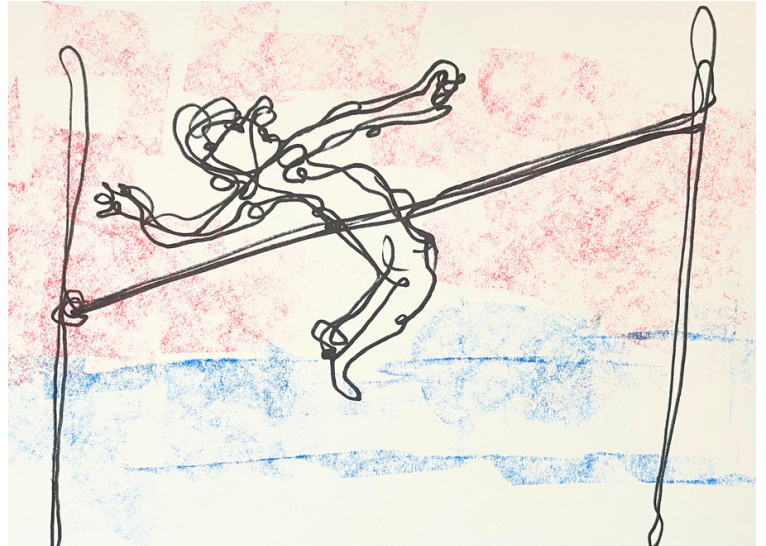
Beyond the art classes, schools have the opportunity to choose student groups that would most benefit from a separate **inspirational and motivational speech**. Typically, this would be students in their final years, who are contemplating their future paths and next steps in life.





ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS

by painting sprint, endurance, sports equipment



PROGRAM FEE

The daily fee of €1,000 for the program includes the following:

Running Olympic-themed art classes designed to accommodate the school's schedule. In addition, I will share my personal journey to the Olympics and explore selected Olympic themes with each group of students, all in accordance with the *Olympic Value Education Program*.

Providing **sports equipment** for artistic activities, such as ping pong balls, tennis balls, badminton shuttles and other sports materials.

An inspirational and motivating talk about my journey to the Olympics and pursuing personal dreams, separate from the discussions within each art class. Duration 15-20min + Q&A.

Schools can select, for instance, which student group would most benefit from this talk. Often, students nearing the end of their education and considering their future paths find great value in such insights.

Educational Sports Program: In addition to the above, I am open to organizing educational sports class based on school's needs and schedule availability, leveraging my expertise as both a coach and an expert in delivering sports programs for children.

The school is asked to provide painting materials and canvases, unless there is a different preference.



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Originally from Sarajevo, grew up in the Olympic village post-1984 Winter Games. Moving to Slovakia at ten, he excelled in track and field while also developing a passion for art.

Pursuing a sports career, Slaven made history in 2008 as the first Slovak decathlete in the Beijing Olympics, setting national records and winning titles in multiple disciplines.

In 2014, he shifted to Switzerland, where he completed sports management postgraduate studies and reignited his art passion. By 2019, he debuted his art exhibition in Lausanne, followed by the "Painted by" project at the 2020 Winter Youth Olympic Games and the Olympic Agora project in Tokyo with six paintings, merging his athletic and artistic pursuits..



Projects and Exhibitions

- 2024 *Road to Paris*, school project connecting sport and art
- 2022 *Artist in residence* for hospital project, UK
- 2021 *Olympic Agora*, Japan
- 2020 *Youth Olympic Games*, Switzerland
- 2019 *Triathlon* exhibiton, Switzerland

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