

summer fun

long days, warmth,
vibrance

Summer is a season of adventure, excitement, and relaxation. It influences art through the emotions it brings, the changes in nature, and even the literal light the sun brings.

The sun and its effects on landscapes, characters, and anything outdoors can be great to study. Pay attention to how harsh light affects objects, how things appear in shadow, and the change in vibrance compared to a cloudy day.

Hello! It's July! If you're up in the northern hemisphere, you might be looking towards some nice summer activities. Now's a wonderful time to study nature, bright sunny environments, and get out and meet other artist friends.

Southern hemisphere? Haven't forgotten you. Try flipping any summery prompts around into their winter versions. Change summery sports into wintry ones, beach relaxations to snowy adventures. Or if you pine for the sun, draw your ideal summer too.

Like the prompt?
Draw it and check ☒ it off.

Not feeling it?
Draw what you want and write it in the blank space.

This calendar is yours.
Miss a day? Drew the wrong thing? That's OK! We're all human. Let yourself make mistakes.

Daily Art Calendar

July 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
		1	2	3	4	5
		☐ Sunny Fundamentals ☐ _____ Never a bad day to practice the essentials. Lines, perspective, gesture, anything!	☐ Summer Mornings ☐ _____ A summery morning is a great time to draw! How does your character start the day?	☐ Freebie Friday ☐ _____ Pick any prompt from this calendar, or go for your own.	☐ Summer Market ☐ _____ Summer is a great time for getting out and exploring the crafts and foods out there.	☐ Summery Fanart ☐ _____ Fun fanart time. Got a show that screams "summer"? Draw it!
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
☐ Pool Toys ☐ _____ Donuts! Rafts! Characters? Invent or study the shapes and reflections.	☐ Beach Day ☐ _____ Out on the beach! What's the water look like? Who's there? What's happening?	☐ Summer Parties ☐ _____ What's a summer party look like to you? A big celebration? Small gathering? Cookout?	☐ Clear Skies ☐ _____ The sky has so many shades of blue even on a clear day. Can you replicate it?	☐ Freebie Friday ☐ _____ Another Friday, another free-choice day.	☐ Saturday Morning ☐ _____ Got any cartoons you used to watch on a Saturday morning? Make some fanart!	☐ Comfort Sunday ☐ _____ No pressure today; draw your character enjoying some comforts.
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
☐ At the Pool ☐ _____ Summery hot days call for time at the pool. Study the water and people in it!	☐ Warm Nights ☐ _____ Do you know what it means to show a warm summery night in art? Try it!	☐ Boardwalk ☐ _____ A stroll down the seaside on a breezy summer day. What's there on the boardwalk?	☐ Stormy Days ☐ _____ Not every day is sunny. How does a stormy day change your environment?	☐ Freebie Friday ☐ _____ Hopefully by this time you're not surprised it's Friday. But be excited anyway!	☐ Shaded Days ☐ _____ Relaxing under a tree or hiding from the sun; what's that look like to you?	☐ Wintry Summers ☐ _____ For friends down south! This time of year, draw that chilly winter landscape.
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
☐ Sunbathing ☐ _____ A classic. Draw your character out soaking up the sun.	☐ Fireside Stories ☐ _____ An active day ends with winding down by the fire sharing stories.	☐ Seasonal Change ☐ _____ Got photos of something in both winter and summer? Draw the change.	☐ Summer Snows ☐ _____ Ever seen snow on a bright summery day? How much is left? What's it feel like?	☐ Freebie Friday ☐ _____ Lots of Fridays! Your choice again.	☐ Night's Cozy Comforts ☐ _____ A warm summery night. Sit by the fire? Watch the stars? Listen to crickets?	☐ Sunlight in Water ☐ _____ Look closely at how sunlight hits things underwater. Can you capture it?
27	28	29	30	31		
☐ Hot Days ☐ _____ How do you cool off in the heat? What does cold *look* like in the heat?	☐ Mountain Meadows ☐ _____ Study a bright sunny picture of a mountain meadow. Capture the vibrant colors.	☐ Sunlight Snooze ☐ _____ Study a photo of a pet (or any animal) finding a sunlit place to snooze.	☐ Gestureful Afternoons ☐ _____ On this lazy afternoon, grab some references and study the human figure.	☐ Freebie Friday ☐ _____ Just one more Friday to round off July.		