

Monday, June 20 — Wednesday, June 22, 2011

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Event Schedule and Workshop Descriptions

MONDAY, JUNE 20th

8:30 - 9:00am - "OPENING SPARK"

Let the Creative, Kinesthetic Sparks Fly!: Building Community with Rhythm (Brian L. Davis)

9:15 – 10:45am – Day 1, Session 1 (Concurrent sessions)

Body Percussion: Exploring Rhythm, Cultural Connections, and Arts Integrated Learning (Brian L. Davis)

Using the original instrument, this workshop will explore body percussion as a means for understanding rhythm and as a tool for increasing focus, self esteem, physical and mental coordination, musicality, ambidexterity, and team building. You will also learn about a variety of rhythmic cultural influences including Africa, Cuba, Brazil, and India, as well as avenues to explore the form in relation to studies in geography, writing, drama, poetry, sports and math.

1wo Brains are Better than One - 1he Value of Collaboration

(Carin Rosenberg and Briana Linden)

Collaboration is at the heart of the work of The Right Brain Initiative. Before any students begin exploring an arts discipline, artists and teachers sit together to blend the needs of the students and the school with the essential learning elements of the specific art form. Teachers and artists also interact throughout a residency, making adjustments, sharing discoveries and observing the growth of the students. In this workshop, we will explore elements used by the initiative to support this collaboration.

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Beyond the Classroom Walls: Advocating for Arts Education

(Rebecca Burrell)

We know that public education is the responsibility of the entire community—but how do you engage non-educators in this effort? Learn how The Right Brain Initiative, and other arts education advocates around the nation, have creatively and exuberantly rallied public support through social media, exhibits, community partnerships and parent leadership. Learn what resources can connect you to the local and national network of arts education advocates. Then, begin to dream boldly and plan practically about how you can forge partnerships that will engage your community to make equitable arts education a reality in public schools.

Shift, Share, Show: The Arts and Classroom Management

(Carin Rosenberg)

In this workshop, Carin Rosenberg draws from her own experience as an elementary classroom teacher and teaching artist to share strategies and tools participants can take back into their own practice. Various strategies include soliciting ideas from students, organizing students during transitions and hearing them reflect on their learning. Learn about crucial moments in any effective lesson to make learning creative and powerful for students.

Introducing The Right Brain Initiative: Achieving Whole-Brain Learning through Partnership (Marna Stalcup)

Learn how a public-private partnership in the Portland metropolitan area is working to ensure arts learning for all K-8 students in the region's public schools. This session will provide an overview of the initiative and its approach to achieve a measurable impact on learning through arts integration.

3:15 – 4:45 – Day 1, Session 4 (Studio Sessions, concurrent)

(Two-part series focus on art-making continues on Tuesday)

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TUESDAY, JUNE 21st

8:30 - 9:00 - OPENING" SPARK"

Creating Creators: National Trends in Arts Education

(Dennie Palmer Wolf)

Think of this session as a flying tour of some of the newest and most thought-provoking trends in arts, design, and arts-integration thinking. Together, we will consider not only major trends but what they might mean for districts, principals, teachers, teaching artists, students and families.

9:15 – 10:45am – Day 2, Session 1 (Concurrent Sessions)

So What Did They Learn: Findings from the Right Brain Initiative

(Dennie Palmer Wolf)

In this workshop, we will look at the power of pre- and post- samples, student interviews, and classroom observations to tell us what students learn when they participate in Right Brain residencies. In addition, we will look at how these strategies can help students to see themselves and one another as thinkers and innovators.

Maps: Unlocking Stories

(Natalie Serber)

Maps trigger within us a desire to explore. They help us define and organize our experiences and develop understanding of our environment (internal and external). Maps inspire us to have a close relationship with a setting, to develop a spatial relationship with places and events, create new vocabulary and can encompass fantasy. How can we use maps in our classrooms as prompts for student stories and poems? Can maps encourage a playful attitude towards language and engage different learning styles? In this workshop we will look at ways to energize both reluctant and prolific writers. bringing them to the page with both visual and language prompts, eager to tell their stories and share their ideas.

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<u>11:00am - 12:30pm - Day 2</u>, Session 2 (Concurrent Sessions)

Making Lasting Impressions

(Briana Linden)

In this hands-on workshop, participants will investigate the parallels between science and art by using observational skills as innate to the natural sciences as they are to art-making. We will also examine art terms like process and design, positive and negative space and making marks to tell a story while creating your own repeatable, unique prints. You'll put these skills to use as you reflect on the prints you've made as well as those of your fellow participants. Discover

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applications for using printmaking lessons in your classroom as we explore how to naturally and sensibly integrate art making lessons into classroom curriculum, using the discipline of the natural sciences as a jumping off point, and exploring ideas you bring to the table.

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IMAGINARIUM: GREAT BRAINS THINKING TOGETHER

(Group Session for all participants)

During this interactive session, all seminar participants will work collectively to explore the power of the arts at the center of school-wide learning. With the provocative art installation of two emerging Portland area artists - "A Home and Country Should Leave Us No More" — we will explore connections and resources to unify the school's entire learning community.

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5:00-6:00 pm – Wine and cheese

IMAGINARIUM - Continued

Participants are invited to this informal gathering to continue the dialogue begun in the day's Imaginarium session. Meet artists Chloé Womack and Brennan Broome, creators of: A Home and a Country Should Leave Us No More.

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22nd

8:30 - 9:00am - "STUDIO SPARK"

Sharing Our Creativity

(Studio Leaders and participants)

9:15 - 10:45am - Day 3, Session 2

IMAGINARIUM — "And now, Imagine THIS!"

(Group session for all participants)

Test our collective plans for arts-centered learning with a few nearly unimaginable opportunities that the future holds for education and the arts.

<u>11:00 – 11:45am – Day 3, Closing Session</u>

Foresight 101: The Art & Science of Thinking about the Future of Learning (Garry Golden)

Join professional Futurist Garry Golden in exploring trends and emerging ideas that might transform how children (we) create, collaborate and design arts experiences. We will look at shifts in demographics and culture, new approaches to place-making - and how digital experiences might evolve in the years ahead.

11:45am - 12:30pm - FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Enjoy a complimentary lunch buffet and the opportunity to network with colleagues, share insights and dream about the year ahead.