PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

For Educators

Our professional development equips educators with practical tools to integrate art into their classrooms, fostering creativity and engagement. Through handson training and tailored resources, we empower teachers to enhance learning across subjects and inspire their students.

HANDS ON WORKSHOPS



A Super Art Project

In this 1.5 hour hands-on workshop, Doodles Academy will lead participants in the creation of a superhero alter-ego. Throughout, educators will learn how to leverage this process-focused, instantly engaging activity to gain a deeper understanding about their student's personal interests and cultural backgrounds.



Painting a Path to Literacy

This session highlights the connection between art and literacy, showing how creative practices enhance students' critical thinking and comprehension of content-rich topics.

Session Details

- Focus: Practical strategies for integrating art with the science of reading to foster literacy and critical thinking.
- Hands-On Activity: Participants will design zodiac constellations using real star maps, write origin stories inspired by Greek and Native American mythology, and create vibrant artwork using oil pastels and watercolors with a resist technique.
- Objective: To demonstrate how art can bring literacy lessons to life, making them engaging and memorable for students.

This workshop will provide educators with creative tools to energize their teaching, inspire student engagement, and integrate art into literacy curricula effectively.



Teacher's Studios

Hands-on, two-hour training sessions led by experienced mentors, offering practical guidance and support. Particiapting teachers receive a comprehensive curriculum guide and learning resources with step-by-step instructions. In addition, ongoing virtual support is available throughout the year to answer questions and provide additional resources.

This programming is available for the:

- Art of Early Education
- Artistry of Literacy
- Art-i-culate Afterschool Programming

Please see any of the content sections for more details

PRESENTATIONS VIRTUAL OR IN PERSON



Building Connections: Knowledge Building Across Special Areas

Participants will begin by analyzing an example of art and literacy integration, followed by a deep dive into knowledge-building strategies and interpreting standards. They will then work together to design a unit that builds knowledge across specials areas. After an overview, dedicated work time will allow teachers to develop a project that seamlessly integrates multiple subjects, making learning more cohesive, engaging, and impactful for students



Bridging Art and the Science of Reading

This workshop focuses on the science of reading and how art can support and enhance literacy development. It dives into the importance of art education and explores how art meets specific reading standards. Participants will learn how to integrate art into literacy instruction using our Art + Literacy curriculum, helping to boost reading comprehension, engagement, and critical thinking skills.



Enriching Learning Through Art Integration

This workshop helps educators build knowledge on how to seamlessly and easily integrate visual journals and artwork discussions into their classrooms. Teachers will learn how to use art to stimulate new ideas, broaden classroom conversations, and connect learning to students' personal experiences in meaningful ways. Participants will walk away with practical tools and strategies for using art to enhance lesson plans, improve student learning outcomes, and foster critical thinking, all while enriching the learning environment through creative integration.

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