Partnering with Your Art Gallery

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Importance of Partnerships

- Oppourtunities to expand audiences, network with teachers share relevant resources with peers
- Reciprocal relationships between institutions and educators.
- Builds capacity for art education across Canada and pushes boundaries on who has access to certain spaces
- The emphasis of taking the time to collaboratively think together about discourse in art education.





Professional Learning: AGO/CSEA Summer Institute

Goals

- Establishing a sense of community among art educators.
- Researching most relevant practices in art education.
- Moving forward strategically as an art education community.







Highlights of 2017 Summer Institute Canada 150: Where Are We In Art Education

- Explore AGO collections, *Georgia O'Keeffe* exhibition and *Every.Now.Then.* exhibition.
- Engaging conversations with key thinkers in Contemporary Art, Education and Activist practices.
- Hands on art making workshops of various techniques.
- Site visits to McMichael Gallery, ROM and Power Plant.
- Critical, reflective discussion sessions with Institute participants.
- Resource sharing and more...





Participant Feedback

"The wonderful diversity of experiences and voices made the institute such a valuable experience".-2016 summer institute participant.

"I thought this was an incredible experience. I appreciated being exposed to a variety of different museums and conversation that was very thought provoking and relevant".- 2017 summer institute participant.

"Thank you for organizing this institute. I hope to implement the various approaches to learning about art in my class this September and I am grateful for the opportunity to connect with like-minded colleagues".— 2017 AGO/CSEA Summer Institute Participant







Lessons Learned

- Evaluation at end of week informed agenda for the following year.
- Build in more time for discussion and hands on art-making.
- Sent a survey prior to Institute to familiarize with participants.
- Utilize prior knowledge of participants throughout the Institute.
- Allow time for reflection and networking.





Establishing Your Own Professional Learning Community

- What are the professional learning needs of you and your colleagues?
- What are the strengths of this group?
- What skills would this group like to develop?
- What types of programming would best serve this group?





Stay Connected

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Questions





Resources

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