

"Let the arts bring wonder to learning"

Arts Alive Conference

SATURDAY January 28, 2012

FINE ARTS CONFERENCE FOR STUDENTS

Dear Parents,

On Saturday, January 28, 2012, your child has been invited to St. Boniface Fine Arts Focus School to participate in an "ARTS ALIVE" Fine Arts Student Conference. All students will participate in **two morning breakout arts sessions** and **one afternoon session**. Students from many other participating schools will take part in this conference that celebrates the artists of the future.

WHEN: Saturday January 28, 2012
9:00 a.m. to 1:30p.m.

WHO: Students from Edmonton Catholic Schools -grades 4 to 6.

WHERE: St. Boniface Catholic Fine Arts Focus Elementary School
11810 – 40 Ave. 434-0294

WHY: To provide enrichment in the areas of all four fine arts:
visual arts, dance, drama and music!

FEE: \$30.00 per student (cheques payable to your child's school)

To register please send in the completed registration form, together with the registration fee, to your child's school on or before **November 23th, 2011**, (all cheques payable to your child's school).

Students are responsible for transportation and bringing their own bag lunch. St. Boniface will provide a morning snack of juice and a cookie. Parents are invited to attend the opening celebrations & sessions, free of charge. Know that parking is limited. Please do not park on the school fields.

Registration forms must be returned to your child's school by November 23rd 2011.

Sincerely,
(Your School Information)

Please note: Refunds cannot be made after registrations have been forwarded to St. Boniface Fine Arts Focus School.

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Student Registration Form

Student Name: (first) _____ (last) _____

School: _____

Grade _____

Emergency # for Saturday January 28, 2012. _____

The following are medical concerns that may affect my child during this event.

I give the supervisors of "ARTS ALIVE" permission to obtain emergency services should I not be available at the above emergency number. I understand that transportation to and from "ARTS ALIVE" is the responsibility of the parents.

Parents Signature _____ Date _____

Registration fee included _____ (\$30.00)

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Student Session Selection Form:

Student Name _____

School _____

Students hand this form in to your lead teacher.

Please **number** your choices from 1-8, with 1 being your first choice. You can expect to be placed in either your first or second choice but not both. We will then do our best to accommodate other choices; however we are limited to the number of students in each session.

Music

- David Thiaw - Glimpses of Africa
- Charlotte Burrowes - Musical School of Hard Knocks

Art

- Carole Brosseau - The Magic of Oil Pastels
- Umberto Micelli - Salami Head

Drama

- Janice Barton - Digital Story Telling
- Kathy Ingram - Conquer Glossophobia!

Dance

- Tamara Horpyniuk - Just Groove!
- Melissa Staroszik - Hip Hop

Breakout Sessions & Artist Information Section:

ART

Artist –Umberto Miceli

An elementary teacher for Edmonton Catholic Schools and a local visual artist, Umberto received his B. Ed. degree in 2000 at the University of Alberta. He has been committed to the visual arts since a small child and received extensive training in drawing and painting. Mr. Miceli has an exceptional ability in inspiring and mentoring young children and developing their artistic talents. Umberto is currently running his own art school providing weekly art instruction to the committed elementary school child.

Session – Salami Head

This hands-on workshop will give students instruction in the fundamental skills needed to create amazing art using the medium of clay. Plenty of demonstration and step by step instruction will be provided to help students create an interesting, three-dimensional art piece they will enjoy.

Artist - Carole Brosseau

Carole Brosseau is presently the Fine Arts Consultant for Edmonton Catholic Schools and this position allows her to work closely with teachers to support and encourage them in the teaching of both art and drama. She believes that the arts are a vital component in children's lives and that they are important to their intellectual, emotional, physical, and social well-being. Learning through the arts not only motivates children but it enriches their lives. She considers herself to be very fortunate as she has a job that allows her to work with her passion!

• Session – The Magic of Oil Pastels

This art workshop is designed to explore the creative possibilities of using oil pastels. You will learn some basic techniques that will encourage you to explore this medium and develop the skills needed to create amazing art. We will have time to use the techniques and skills in a few mini projects. Come and enjoy a practical hands-on

DANCE

- **Artist - Tamara Horpyniuk**

Throughout her dance life, Miss H, a.k.a “Lady T,” has had the opportunity to study various dance genres that have enabled her to compete and perform both locally and internationally. A large extent of her dance career was dedicated to Ukrainian dance, allowing her to perform with *Viter* and *Vohon*, Ukrainian Dance Ensembles, touring to Ukraine, Thailand, Hong Kong and China. Lady T’s other dance training includes Modern, Ballet, Hip Hop, Street Jazz, East Indian, African, Ballroom and Salsa. Various Hip Hop artists that Lady T has received training from include Suga Pop, Poppin’ Pete, Jojo, Richard O’Sullivan and Deuce – the King of Krump. While dancing at *Third Street Beat*, Lady T enjoyed performing for charity dance events, such as Santa’s Kidz and Hip Hop for Hope. Yoga and Zumba are also great pastimes of Lady T. Currently, “Miss H” teaches the Grades 3-6 Dance Program at St. Boniface Fine Arts Elementary School. She is immensely grateful for the plethora of rich dance experiences that she has had throughout her life and she loves sharing her passion for dance with all!

- **Session – “Just Groove!”**

Dancing is a great way to get active, release energy and have fun! Lady T’s *Just Groove!* is a dance/fitness class where you learn simple choreography and steps that allow you to get a work out and feel good! Different dance styles (Hip Hop, House, etc.) are fused together to create the simple steps that give you the ability to find YOUR groove, get your confidence and cardio up, while listening to some great beats. *Just Groove!* is for you if you like to “move it” and want to take part in a high energy and super fun class!

- **Artist – Melissa Staroszik**

As a University graduate with a Bachelors Degree in Management, Melissa has fused her scholastic knowledge with her talent and passion for dance and created her own dance company in the fall of 2007. Her endeavors as a dancer and choreographer have allowed her the opportunity to perform and work with various recording artists including The Black Eyed Peas, Lady Gaga, Akon & Girlicious among others. Melissa’s background includes training as a competitive rhythmic gymnast for 9 years prior to crossing over

into the dance world, and certification as a NCCP level 2 coach. Melissa's Classes are a high energy fusion of technical dance fused with *avant garde* street moves and impeccable musicality.

- **Session – Hip Hop**

Explore your creativity through the movements of Hip Hop Dance. Hip Hop is currently one of the most identifiable forms of dance as it is seen in music videos and concert stages across the world. Hip Hop dance is a fun and encouraging way to build self esteem and to explore one's inner creativity.

MUSIC

- **Artist -David Thiaw**

David Thiaw is first and foremost a percussionist of remarkable talent, he is also a singer, storyteller, composer, linguist, teacher, drum craftsman and the leader of Domba, an Afro Jazz group. African and World music have been David's lifelong passion. The roots of David's music and teaching reach back to his boyhood in Senegal, aptly called "the land of drummers".

David formed his first drum and dance troupe when he was fourteen. Later, he travelled through Africa, Europe, North and South America, exploring the diversity of African culture and music in those areas.

Since his arrival in Western Canada, David has focused on introducing African music and culture into the school system through performances/residencies and workshops as well as leading his Afro/World Music Band, Domba.

- **Session – « Glimpses of Africa / Regards Sur L'Afrique »**

This interactive drumming workshop will awaken the rhythmic spirit within, as a little journey for the self. David will introduce the audience to the very unique instruments from Africa and retells the wonderful folk stories that have been handed down for centuries. Beginners follow a fun step-by-step program which quickly develops rhythmic awareness while advanced drummers layer more complex patterns and learn to chant while drumming.

you will have an increased ability to speak in many situations which will result in greater confidence in prepared presentations.

- **Artist – Janice Barton**

Janice is a grade 5/6 French Immersion teacher at J.H. Picard. She is a technology mentor and has taught her students how to use digital storytelling on a daily basis. She has presented at the International Society for Technology in Education. She is currently working on her Master's degree at the University of Portland.

- **Session – “Prezi! Animoto! Digi-Juice!”**

- Gather around the campfires as the ancient art of storytelling is being revived into an emerging communication mode called digital storytelling. It has become a vehicle for mastering multiple 21st century skills. Participants will be introduced to the processes, elements of good storytelling and technical tools, bringing together voice, graphics and sound in an ARTFUL way!