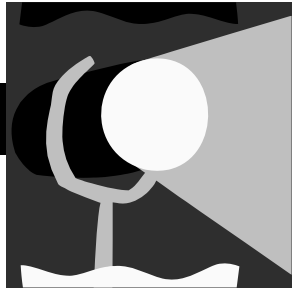


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UCO-BASED OKLAHOMA A+ SCHOOLS TO PRESENT ARTS INTEGRATION WORKSHOP

Oklahoma A+ Schools®, headquartered at the University of Central Oklahoma, will host an encore presentation of the arts integration workshop Movie Soundtrack Theatre from 1-3:30 p.m., Saturday, March 28 at the City Arts Center at the Oklahoma City Fairgrounds.

Participants will learn ways to creatively integrate music, visual and theatre arts with history, language arts and other PASS connections to engage students in PK-12 grade-classrooms. Movie Soundtrack Theatre was created as a result of OK A+ Fellows' shared vision to bring back to Oklahoma their collaborative experiences from the San Francisco Symphony's Keeping Score Education program.

Demand for the first presentation in February was so high, OK A+ decided to offer a second workshop. "I learned a way of integrating music into my classroom, rather than simply setting a mood with different period pieces, and I want to help other teachers do the same," said OK A+ Fellow Deji Dugger.

Dugger and Sonya Ferguson, also an OK A+ fellow, will facilitate the interactive workshop. "Music is powerful, and it can strongly impact learning experiences to be more meaningful for our students," said Ferguson.

Dugger teaches 5th grade Social Studies and Writing in Moore Public Schools and has been an OK A+ Fellow since 2005. Ferguson has been an OK A+ Fellow since 2006 and currently teaches 3rd-6th grade gifted and talented students in the Moore Public school district. Each has been a professional educator for more than 10 years.

"OK A+ Fellows represent a wide range of experiences and expertise to offer creative and engaging professional development, and participants will truly benefit from the music and history based backgrounds of Deji and Sonya," said OK A+ Program Director Rosalynn Wade.

All OK A+ workshops encourage participants to make connections from the workshop to their own classroom learning environments, as no two are the same. Collaboration and brainstorming among participants also are utilized as important tools in these experiential learning opportunities.

Registration is free for members of the OK A+ Schools® Network and UCO faculty, staff and students, and is \$30 per person for others. Registration includes 2.5 hours of professional development, snacks and classroom materials.

Oklahoma A+ Schools® is a statewide network of PK-12 schools that advances a quality, whole school experience to nurture the creativity in every learner and provides the state's only research-based school reform model with creativity in its mission. Oklahoma A+ Schools® is headquartered at the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, OK. For more information or to register, visit www.aplusok.org or call (405) 974-3779.

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