

# November Community Event

“The Importance of Art and Art Education in the 21st Century”

Speaker: Jodi Stanley, Art Educator Pawtucket School Department

## Think Children Don't Need ART In the 21st Century? THINK AGAIN!

An Arts Education Teaches Children To...

### Collaborate & Cooperate

- Work together
- Understand Their Actions Affect Others
- Realize Even Small Contributions Have Value
- Compromise for Common Goal
- Take Responsibility for Mistakes
- Realize Mistakes Happen
- Share responsibility
- Realize Their Contribution is Important to the Success of the Group

### Communicate

- Receive Constructive Feedback
- Develop Language By Talking About Art & Describing Creations
- Improve Skills Through Evaluation
- Communicate Different Emotions
- Realize Feedback is a Part of Learning
- Breakdown the Mechanics of Body Language
- Portray a Character Effectively
- Interpret Visual Information
- Experience Different Ways of Moving

### Be Creative

- Think on Their Feet
- Approach Tasks From Different Perspectives
- Interweave Ideas Into New Possibilities
- Take Creative Risks
- Develop a Sense of Innovation
- Practice Creative Thinking Until It Becomes Natural
- Be Original!

### Organize

- Concentrate & Focus
- Keep a Balance Between Listening & Contributing
- Develop Motor Skills
- Think About Their Role & How It Contributes To the Big Picture of What is Being Created

### Problem-Solve

- To Keep an Open Mind
- Explore Further Info
- Move Forward to New Insight & Understanding
- Have Decision-Making Skills
- Develop Skills in Reasoning & Understanding
- Be Attentive to Details, of Perceptions & Ideas

### Self-Direct

- Persevere!
- Practice Follow-Through
- Improve Academic Performance
- Develop Healthy Work Habits

### Be Socially Responsible

- Act Responsibly With The Interests of the Larger Community in Mind
- Understand Choices Artists & Designers Make
- Know & Appreciate Diverse Societies
- Interpret & Evaluate Others' Perceptions of Reality

### Be Fluent With Technology

- Develop Information & Media Literacy Skills
- Utilize Today's Digital & Social Media As An Appropriate Vehicle For Their Message (Computers, iPads, Video, Digital Cameras, and more!)
- Create Information in a Variety of Forms & Media

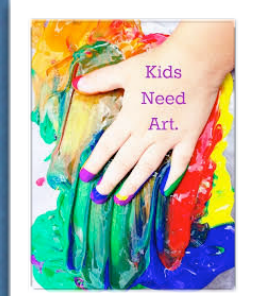
"We live in an age when the most valuable asset an economy can have is the ability to be creative—to spark and imagine new ideas, be they Broadway tunes, great books, iPads or new cancer drugs."  
—Thomas Friedman, New York Times, August 4, 2010

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Jodi's presentation will cover:

1. Why art is more important than ever in the 21st Century
2. The additional art related jobs due to the digital age and reality TV.
3. Transitions adult practicing artists can make for the future.
4. Developing art education as an adult to improve your life.



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