



2004-2005
ARTS IN EDUCATION PROGRAM

Descriptions of Funded Projects

- 1) Arlington District / Dutchess County
Vail Farm Elementary School, Poughkeepsie, *All the News That's Fit to Paint*

Teaching Artist Angela Batchelor will guide 129 5th grade students at Vail Farm Elementary School (opening in September 2004) will create a comprehensive school newsletter depicting creative poetry and writings by students, coverage of in-school arts assemblies, workshops and residencies, school events, community activities and people.

- 2) City of Poughkeepsie District / Dutchess County
The Circle of Courage Learning Community, Poughkeepsie, *Creating Digital Books*

The students in this project will develop creativity and self-expression using a wide range of technologies and techniques including: digital cameras, graphic design, image manipulation, layout, speech synthesis, slide show using LCD projector, animation, etc. in order to enhance self concept and address real world skills utilizing resources used in the workplace. The project, which addresses the New York State Learning Standards in Career Development and Occupational Studies, will reinforce the overall mission of the school to address issues utilizing students' strengths and individual areas of giftedness for exercising independence and autonomy, such as work skills, as well as to develop a healthy self concept utilizing the Circle of Courage's visual representation of personality via a particular animal (deer, bear, buffalo or eagle.)

- 3) City of Poughkeepsie District / Dutchess County
The Bardavon Opera House & W.W. Smith Humanities Magnet School, Poughkeepsie
Arm-of-the-Sea Theatre Project

Arm-of-the-Sea will bring two weeks of workshops to 100 4th grade students at the City of Poughkeepsie's W.W. Smith Humanities Magnet School. The students will create and build a large-scale visual theater production for a culminating evening performance at the Bardavon in which they will also participate as actors, narrators, musicians and operators of their constructed giant puppets and other theatrical elements. This project addresses the NYS Learning Standards in Social Studies.

- 4) Rhinebeck District / Dutchess County
Bulkeley Middle School, Rhinebeck, *Tolerance Mosaic*

Tolerance is a universal concept associated with the acceptance of everyone regardless of difference. To encourage creativity and group work, and to promote tolerance, the Bulkeley Middle School in Rhinebeck is planning to create a mosaic installation based on the theme of "Tolerance" in the main entranceway to the middle school. This will open the students' eyes to becoming more open and respecting of the many differences that make us unique.

- 5) Spackenkill District / Dutchess County
Hagan Elementary School, Poughkeepsie, *Vanaver Caravan Dance Residency*

Each class will be involved in a hands-on learning experience consisting of three 45 minute workshop sessions, a dress rehearsal, and two performances. Students will study the culture of a particular country which will culminate in a live performance using folk music, movement and costume.

- 6) Wappingers District / Dutchess County
Brinckerhoff Elementary School, Fishkill, *Bringing Social Studies to Life*

Under the guidance of literary artist, Angela Batchelor, 125 4th grade students at Brinckerhoff Elementary School will bring history to life through writing and publishing historical stories, which explore characters' personal experience, problem-solving and comparison to the current times.

- 7) Webutuck District / Dutchess County
Amenia & Webutuck Elementary Schools, Amenia, *Our World Through Poetry*

Our World Through Poetry is an integrated K-4 content-related curriculum and poetry-writing project. The educational and artistic goal of this project is to provide an exposure to and appreciation of the art of poetry.

- 8) City of Kingston District / Ulster County
Anna Devine Elementary School, Rifton, *A Storied School*

The teaching artist, professional storyteller Eshu Bumpus, will work several times with every student at Anna Devine Elementary School. Students will learn about story structure, then tell, perform and write their own stories.

- 9) Non-Profit Organization / Ulster County
Center for Creative Education, Stone Ridge, *Raices Profundas II: The Vibrancy of Mexico's Artistic Heritage*

The Center for Creative Education plans to offer an education program based on Mexican art, history, language and culture to the students at Rondout Valley High School. The project will take place over the school year, culminating in the creation of a mural based on the developed material.

- 10) Onteora District / Ulster County
Onteora High School, Boiceville, *Purple Mountains Majesty*

Purple Mountains' Majesty is a study of the history of conservation in America and nature writing as a literary genre through the use of the works of American Nature writers for a performance piece. It incorporates music, critical analysis of literature and acting techniques.

- 11) Private School / Ulster County
Woodstock Day School, Woodstock, *Japanese Noh Theatre*

To create a production of a Japanese Noh play, Hagoromo, adapted and performed by the sixth grade. The entire student body will participate in the project through creative writing, music, art and physical education activities.

- 12) Rondout Valley District / Ulster County
Kerhonkson Elementary School, Kerhonkson, *Stories Within*

This project will use the visual language of photography to explore, support and grow imagination, reading, writing and storytelling skills. It will use self-portraits, and single and sequenced images, to create awareness of the self, of details and structure and relations to verbal and written language and celebrate the ways in which the visual arts enrich, empower and enhance the mind and heart.