



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY

VSA Minnesota TEACHING ARTIST ROSTER

AUGUST 19, 2010 9:30AM – 3:30PM

Perpich Center for Arts Education
6125 Olson Memorial Highway
Golden Valley, MN 55422

The *VSA Minnesota Teaching Artist Roster* is a community of teaching artists working to create engaging lessons and environments that meet the diverse learning needs of all students.

Who should attend?

Current members of the VSA Minnesota Teaching Artist Roster, artists interested in becoming a member, and educators who work with students with disabilities.

Goals of the training:

- Enhance your skills and abilities as a teaching artist
- Increase your understanding about inclusive practices in the arts
- Expand your knowledge of best practices in Special Education and the Arts
- Network with other artists from around the state

About the day

Use this opportunity to work with others to articulate and refine your teaching practices in order to anticipate the needs of students with various disabilities.

Examine the work that teaching artists do when three experienced *Peer Coaches* demonstrate *Artful tools*, part of the *Artist to Artist Professional Development Program*, an informal network of teaching artists actively supported by the Perpich Center for Arts Education, the North Dakota Council on the Arts, Red Eye Theater, and the Minnesota State Arts Board.

Session 1: Experience a visual art lesson first-hand taught by VSA Minnesota Teaching Artist **Lori Brink**. This model workshop is intended for collaborating teachers to become familiar with concepts that will be presented to students during the residency. Share strategies and ideas on ways to improve various aspects of the in-service experience for residency sponsors.

Session 2: Describe back what you experienced using a [facilitated reflection protocol](#) guided by facilitator **Barbara Cox**, Arts Education Partnership Coordinator, Perpich Center for Arts Education. These protocols will help you to perceive deeply, think critically and make meaning.

Session 3: Participate in a hands-on theater activity led by Teaching Artist **Steve Busa**. Learn how to design important and engaging learning experiences and how to identify learning goals and activities. Steve will also share insight about what worked and what didn't work from past VSA Minnesota residencies.

Session 4: This session conducted by **Mary Z. McGrath**, Educator/Professional Speaker/Author, [Reflections Resources Ltd.](#) is designed as a review of various disabilities and teaching strategies for each. Mary will guide participants to modify their lesson plans and practices to accommodate the needs of students with time allowed for sharing ideas and experiences.

* Please bring a lesson plan of your own to participate in a small group activity.

Location

[Perpich Center for Arts Education](#) 6125 Olson Memorial Highway, Golden Valley. We will meet in the Glassbox Conference Room, located in the Professional Development & Research Building southeast on campus, separate from the main building.

Date/time

Thursday, August 19. Sessions will take place from 9:30AM to 3:30PM. Check-in begins at 9:00AM.

Lunch/refreshments

Refreshments will be served in the morning and at lunch. Lunch includes a variety of drinks, a sandwich, served with potato chips, a pickle and a cookie catered by *Panera Bread*. Click to view the ingredients and nutritional information on the menu: www.panerabread.com/menu/cafe/sandwiches.php (scroll down to Café Sandwiches).

Please indicate your Café Sandwich preference on the registration form:

Sierra Turkey- Smoked turkey breast with chipotle mayonnaise on Asiago Cheese Focaccia.

Smoked Turkey Breast- 99% fat-free on Country.

Smoked Ham & Swiss- 96% fat-free on Stone-Milled Rye.

Mediterranean Veggie- Zesty Peppadew piquant peppers, feta cheese, cucumbers, lettuce, tomatoes, onions and cilantro hummus on Tomato Basil.

Roast Beef- on Country.
Tuna Salad- on Honey Wheat.

* All sandwiches are prepared with mayo, spicy mustard, lettuce, onions, tomatoes, salt & pepper.

Cost

Registration costs \$15. Please send a check payable to VSA Minnesota along with a completed registration form to: VSA Minnesota, 528 Hennepin Ave., Suite 305 Minneapolis, MN 55403. As seating is limited, please register early.

Cancellation

Registered participants who wish to cancel their registration and receive a full refund must do so by August 12.

Clock hours

All participants who complete the training will receive a completion certificate stating the number of hours and content completed.

For more information, contact:

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VSA Minnesota works to create a community where people with disabilities can learn through, participate in and access the arts.