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**Bridging the Gap
between Arts Education
and Communities**



What can 04Arts do for you?

School Administrators

04Arts Foundation can be the bridge between your district's resources and the increasing demands placed upon them. Working with you to determine your school's specific challenges, we can provide integrated arts curricula designed to satisfy mandated requirements in arts education, or to provide enrichment programs. And, 04Arts can help you meet your art related professional development needs through VTS teacher training.

Our flagship program, Visual Thinking Strategies, helps classroom teachers develop skills in guiding discussion about art, with clear, step-by-step instruction. This training enables teachers to confidently lead stimulating and substantive discussions about visual art with student groups of any age, opening a new door to the world of ideas and cultural literacy.


Museum Directors

04Arts has developed a model for creating a bridge between communities and arts institutions. We can help develop your audience through community outreach such as Family Day events, and enhance the visitor experience to your Museum through docent training. Docent staff and volunteers trained in VTS receive an excellent grounding in discussing art, helping to engage museum visitors of all ages in a meaningful, memorable way.

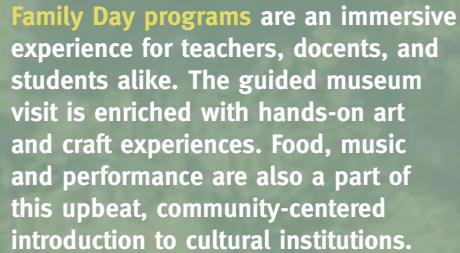
A woman and a young girl are looking at a drawing together in an art classroom. The woman is leaning over the girl, who is holding a large piece of paper with a drawing on it. In the background, there is a shelf with various art supplies, including brushes and a sign that says "Oil & Acrylic Brushes".

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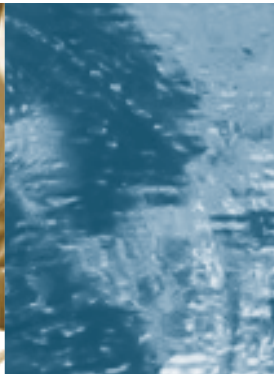
- developmentally appropriate arts curricula for all age levels
- teacher training
- docent training
- community art programs



Teachers and students alike are enthusiastic about the **VTS Program**. The highly interactive, student-centered sessions are a fresh way to bring verbal and visual literacy together, through discussion of imagery of paintings, sculpture and photography.



Family Day programs are an immersive experience for teachers, docents, and students alike. The guided museum visit is enriched with hands-on art and craft experiences. Food, music and performance are also a part of this upbeat, community-centered introduction to cultural institutions.



Moving Waters: An innovative program combining environmental art and empirical observation. Young students learn about the city in which they live, and begin to develop a personal connection with the natural world through observation, hands-on activity and art-making.


About Director Penelope Speier

With an academic background in art history, Penelope Speier is an accomplished painter, and has been an active arts education advocate for over 30 years.



As a partner in a contemporary arts gallery, she developed a broad network of clients, artists, art educators and museum curators in the United States and in Mexico. Her access to the arts community then allowed her to involve many well-known artists in school art programs, in the San Antonio Independent School District, at Blue Star Art Space, and the San Antonio Museum of Art. Penelope has produced support materials to accompany curricula, such as lesson plans, study booklets and audio visual presentations.

These experiences, coupled with knowledge acquired through many years of business ownership and volunteer organization leadership, led Penelope to formalize her mission and found the o4Arts Foundation for Arts Education in 1998. ■



04ARTS Foundation is a valuable educational resource for your school, museum or cultural organization.

To find out more about developing customized arts curricula for your institution, contact us at

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