

Elementary Division

Moving Forward with Art!

Make plans now to be a part of TAEA's 50th Anniversary Celebration! If you joined us last year, you received your own sketchbook to show how "Every Day Matters" in developing your own creative space, encouraging your own artistic development and reflecting on your process. Hope you made time to create and explore—if not through the summer, then take on the challenge now. Be firm and set aside 20 minutes of daily art time—for your self! If you need further inspiration, take a look at <http://illustrationfriday.com/>. Or tune in to Art:21's extraordinary documentaries on contemporary artists, art and themes. See: <http://www.pbs.org/art21/artists/>

Almost all creativity involves purposeful play.
~Abraham Maslow

We in Elementary are vital to the artistic development of K-16 students. We are the foundation. We can be instrumental in making sense of the mass of information students hear from our counterparts in other classrooms. Whether it is art techniques and

process, art history, connecting across the curriculum, building interpersonal and intrapersonal skills, collaborating, creating, thinking: What better way is there to learning, to becoming a whole person, than participating in quality art programming? At our Elementary Division Meeting on Saturday, we will jump into art making, higher level thinking and collaboration. Want to take away great ideas? Join us, as Tamra and I have a great presentation planned. We can't wait to see you in Galveston~ it is going to be a great conference!

Be sure to bring your sketchbook to share, an extra journal for notes, your favorite drawing supplies, glue stick, and scissors (if you can travel with them). You never know what will inspire you...

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