

2011-2012 Artist-In-Residence Grant Awards

ELEMENTARY

Builta

Benita Scott

Language Arts

Sally Walker Presents the Writing Process

Sally Walker, best known for writing about scientific subject matter, will present a talk about the writing process, especially nonfiction writing. She will also present the various stages of the publishing process, including photo selection, illustration, printing, and the production of a hard cover book. The author will address specific topics in the science curriculum tailoring her presentation to each grade level.

Owen

Katie Handy

Fine Arts

May I Have This Dance Assembly/Workshop

Ballroom Blitz - This program emphasizes the etiquette of dance and introduces students to basic partner dance concepts. Dance Around the World – Innovative multicultural dance curriculum that includes dances from every continent.

Gombert

Gayl Smith

Reading / Writing

Author Ester Hershenhorn

The author's presentations will support the work of students who are in the process of writing narratives. She will share her writing process, how she gets her ideas, how she puts those ideas on paper, and how she revises and polishes her work.

Chicago Sinfonietta

Courtney Perkins

Music

Audience Matters

This project is the Chicago Sinfonietta's core educational program that serves 4th through 6th grade students to provide the opportunity to learn about and experience classical music through a curriculum-based program that provides multiple in-class and concert performance exposures. The Chicago Sinfonietta has identified three possible partner schools to work with for this program – Brookdale, Georgetown, and Longwood.

Fry

Danielle Donaldson

Music

A Day of Dulcimers

Carole Ehrman, a mountain dulcimer professional, will introduce students to a unique genre of America's music heritage. This awareness will promote national pride and give students a better understanding of the history of the United States.

Kendall

Andrea Burck

Fine Arts & Literacy

United & Unique: Working Together to Learn

Performing artist, Amanda Crockett, will guide students' encourage students to see themselves as part of a larger community while still acknowledging their unique individuality. She will introduce students to kinesthetic learning and storytelling through mime. Kinesthetic learning promotes confidence building and increases spatial awareness.

Still

Donna Davis

Art

Hugh Skibbens: Dynamic Watercolors

Professional water color artist, Hugh Skibbens, will demonstrate his painting technique and explain his process, answer questions and challenge students' thinking. During a hands-on workshop, the artist will provide step-by-step instruction to create their own painting.

Crone

Tom Cappaert

Music & Foreign Language

French Verse in Poetry & Music

French violinist Blaise Magniere is a chamber musician and university professor. Students will read, recite and study poems and learn to play music from the French baroque and romantic era.

Still

Donna Davis

Art

The Recycling Movement in Art

Paper Mache sculptor, Dave Smith, will share his artistic process - from conception to final production - with students. Students will have the unique experience of learning a technique that was created and developed by the artist.

NVHS

Cat Bishir

AP Euro History

Bringing Elizabethan England to Life

David Blixt, a Shakespearean actor, will speak to students about life during Elizabeth I's reign. He will focus on the life of the common people and "lowlives" as opposed to the nobility or court in order to bring new understanding to the way regular people lived.

NVHSGold

Karen Pierros

Language Arts

Joe Goodkin Sings the Odyssey

Joe Goodkin will present his original composition for solo acoustic guitar and voice, which tells the story of The Odyssey in song, invoking the spirit of the ancient Greek bards who originally brought forth the timeless stories of Odysseus and the heroes of the Trojan War.

MVHS

Glen Schneider

Music

NIU Jazz Ensemble Performance with Victor Lewis

Victor Lewis, will provide a historical and music performance clinic for students. NIU Jazz Ensemble students will provide educational clinics on their primary instruments.

WVHS

Mark Myers

Music

Meet-the-Artist-Concert

Brian Neal, performer, educator and conductor, will work with students for one-week in the areas of musicianship and technique. Rehearsal and performance with students on collaborative pieces will lead to evening performance for and with students.