

Curriculum Title:
Holidays Around the World

Arts Organization:
Cincinnati Arts Association

School:
Oakdale

Grade:
K

Academic and Classroom Goals:
To learn about various holiday celebrations and to understand different cultures through their holiday celebrations.

Arts Content Goals:
To instill the values of self-confidence, respect for one another, teamwork, self-expression, and the awareness of their surroundings and of others through the use of theater games and exercises and performance.

Overview:
The students will be working towards a performance for the holiday- Holidays Around The World, which they will create in class. Each visit will incorporate theatre games to develop the students' communication skills. The students will also be introduced to various holiday celebrations.

Research Question:
What holidays are celebrated around the world and what cultures celebrate them?

Brief Step by Step Art Integrated Activities including date/goals:
Class 1-The Name Game, Animal Identification Exercise and the creation of nametags. What Country are you from?
Class 2-Pass the energy, Pass and describe the kitten, Map making.
Class 3-Who Started the Motion, Holidays in my Country.
Class 4-Stories with Sounds. Rehearsal Holidays Around The World
Class 5-Environmentals Rehearsal Holidays Around The World
Class 6-Environmentals, Rehearsal Holidays Around The World
Class 7-Human Knots, Rehearsal Holidays Around The World
Class 8-Telephone Tell a Joke Day, Rehearsal Holidays Around The World
Class 9-I See Something (Specific Game), Rehearsal Holidays Around The World
Class 10-Describe Your Partner, Change Three Things, Rehearsal Holidays

Around The World

Class 11–Pet Store, Rehearsal Holidays Around The World

Class 12–My Good Qualities are, Your Good Qualities Are, Rehearsal
Holidays Around The World

Extended Activity Designed by Teaching Artist – Taught by Classroom
Teacher

Teachers should help the students prepare for the performance by
reinforcing information learned about the different holidays and
allowing time for the students to rehearse.

Field Research from Sources Outside the School: Education World–Holiday
Calendar: December, [HYPERLINK "http://www.education-world.com/holidays/
archives/december.shtml"](http://www.education-world.com/holidays/archives/december.shtml) www.education-world.com/holidays/archives/
december.shtml

Bany-Winters, Lisa. ShowTime: Music, Dance, and Drama Activities for
Kids. Chicago: Chicago Review Press, 2000.

Assessment used for this Unit:

Final performance

Reflections from Teaching Artist, Teachers, Students and Parents:

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Art Links Integrated Curriculum Unit

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