TUESDAY - 4/19 @ 6PM - 7:30PM

**VISUAL JOURNALS & SKETCHBOOKS: THE WHAT, WHY, & HOW!**

Research supports the increase in retention rates when utilizing a visual journal or sketchbook for note-taking. Utilizing a visual journal or sketchbook does not require any specific art training...all you need is some kind of journal and something to write with. There really isn’t a right or wrong way to use them. Explore how to incorporate visual journals within your own subject area, grade level, or in your own personal lives!

Presenters: Dr. Jane Montera - President Elect, Michigan Arts Education Association

WEDNESDAY - 4/20 @ 6PM - 7:30PM

**HOW TO FUND AND GROW YOUR ARTS PROGRAM - THE MICHIGAN ARTS AND CULTURE COUNCIL**

The Michigan Arts and Culture Council (MACC) is the statewide agency tasked with supporting arts and culture programming across the entire state. And they believe that arts education is a critical part of the education of our youth in opening new worlds to them, encouraging creativity and presenting opportunities for careers. Join MACC Arts Education Program Manager Chad Swan-Badgero as he outlines grant funding opportunities for teachers and schools to support arts related projects in the classroom, and walks you through submitting a successful application to MACC. This is a great way for you to access funding to support your classroom!

Presenters: Chad Swan-Badgero - Arts Education Program Manager, Michigan Arts and Culture Council

THURSDAY - 4/21 @ 6PM - 7:30PM

**GETTING TO CENTER: SELF-REGULATION THROUGH THE ARTS**

You’ve had a full day by 11am, it is time for some nervous system regulating resources. In this session, you’ll be introduced to the Expressive Therapies Continuum with practical arts experiences to bring the students (and you!) back to the center and back to the classroom community. Learn how visual arts and movement-based strategies can be implemented at all grade levels and in all disciplines.

Presenters: Emily Chase, Peckham Inc. and Heather Vaughan-Southard, MAEIA

TUESDAY - 4/26 @ 6PM - 7:30PM

**GRANT WRITING FOR FINE ARTS EDUCATORS**

Grant writing is an excellent way to make a significant change to your teaching environment, but it can sometimes feel overwhelming to pursue. Together we will explore some basic tips that will help make developing this skill feel much easier.

Presenter: Ashleigh Lore, Grand Ledge Public Schools / Treasurer - Michigan Music Education Association

WEDNESDAY - 4/27 @ 6PM - 7:30PM

**INTEGRATING DESIGN THINKING IN THE K-12 CLASSROOM**

Have you ever thought about how to integrate the five phases of design thinking into your curriculum? Join Jane Montera for an informational session on what the five phases are and how to put design thinking to use in your classroom.

Presenter: Dr. Jane Montera - President Elect, Michigan Arts Education Association

THURSDAY - 4/28 @ 6PM - 7:30PM

**PROCESSING THE PANDEMIC EXPERIENCE WITH K-8 STUDENTS THROUGH MUSIC AND THE ARTS**

Engage in music-making while exploring new resources that may help K-8 students process their experiences during the pandemic. Participants will experience cross-curricular experiences in children’s literature, poetry, and art, and will be invited to connect their experiences to their own teaching contexts.

Presenter: Shannan Hibbard - Detroit Public Schools / President Elect, Michigan Music Education Association