

SISTERS STUDIO TO SCHOOL

A Collaboration Between
Sisters Folk Festival
and Sisters School District



Sisters is one of 18 grant sites funded by the Oregon Community Foundation. Studio to School is a multi-year grant program to support projects between schools and community arts organizations to design and deliver sustainable arts education opportunities.

Exploring collaborative strategies for supporting high-quality, innovative arts education opportunities for elementary and middle school-aged youth.

WORKING TOGETHER TO DEEPEN AND EXPAND MUSIC AND ARTS EDUCATION

The Sisters Studio to School Project infuses the arts into learning experiences for all students, grades K-8, and helps develop a culture of music and art enrichment and integration in the Sisters School District.



RIVER CELEBRATION

"We started with dreams and possibilities of what our kids could do to be connected to their school through art ... and look what happened. A community has come together – young and old – to celebrate artistic expression and learning about water in the high desert!"

Becky Stoughton,
Sisters Elementary School Principal



EVERYDAY EXPERIENCES

- Visual arts classes K-4 to develop fundamentals, skills and experience
- Arts integration in visual arts, digital storytelling and Americana arts
- General Music class with keyboard lab
- iPad technology lab for projects integrated into core academic areas
- After-school guitar and ukulele club



WHAT'S HAPPENING THROUGH THE S2S PROJECT

- Art and music specialists provide classroom instruction daily and collaborate with teachers to integrate the arts in core content areas.
- Students have access to resources provided: General Music keyboard lab, iPad technology lab, musical instruments, and instructional materials and supplies to stimulate creativity and learning.
- Teams of teachers learning together to implement arts integration, including professional development training to plan and collaborate.
- Guest artists and artist residencies work with students and teachers to enrich students' experience through performances and interaction in the classroom.
- Use of new music gear provided for schools.
- Storyline Professional Development training for teachers.
- After-school Americana strings program.

ARTIST RESIDENCIES

- Laura Campbell "River Celebration: Connection" art installation
- "Lovely" Lisa Elrod Theater Arts workshop and teacher training
- Dale Largent African Drumming workshop

GUEST FESTIVAL ARTISTS, FIELD TRIPS AND ASSEMBLIES

- The Ballroom Thieves
- Laura Cortese and the Dance Cards
- Katie Glassman and Snapshot
- Christone "Kingfish" Ingram
- Tall Heights
- Tim & Myles Thompson
- Mr. B. Boogie Woogie piano
- Atelier 6000 Printmaking



Whale Songs: Environmental Impact on Whales

Edward Curtis Photography Exhibit

- Aaron Meyer violin workshop provided by Oregon Music Hall of Fame

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Sisters Folk Festival, Sisters School District, The Roundhouse Foundation, Sisters Science Club, Family Access Network

