

BENEFITS OF THE CREDENTIAL



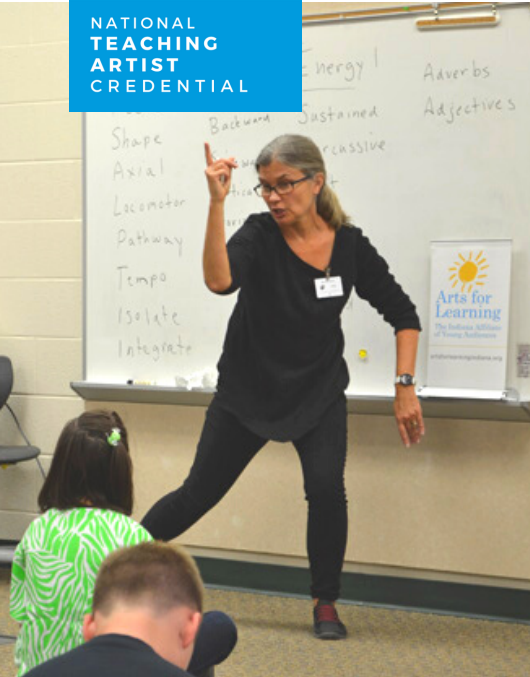
Credentialed Teaching Artists are leaders in the field of Teaching Artistry and support decision-making as it pertains to the Credential and the advancement of our work around the nation. We have found that being in community with one another supports our personal growth and advances the quality of our teaching practices in educational spaces.

Benefits For Teaching Artists

1. Recognition as a leading Teaching Artist within your affiliate
2. National visibility and recognition of your work via the YA National website
3. Free professional learning around many topics relevant to the field with other Teaching Artists at your level of expertise
4. Opportunities to design and deliver professional learning for other Teaching Artists across the country
5. Membership in a community of Teaching Artists around the country for networking, sharing resources, and support
6. Engagement in a national conversation around diversity, equity, inclusion, and access to high-quality arts education for all students around the country
7. Invitation to the YA National Conference (first year's expenses paid: in subsequent years, fees associated with attendance to be assessed at the affiliate and National level)
8. Ongoing participation in defining excellence in the field of teaching artistry
9. The opportunity to assemble, with support if desired, a comprehensive portfolio of your work that reflects on your accomplishments to date, and contains evidence that can be reused for many purposes

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Credentialed Teaching Artists are considered some of the most highly qualified practitioners in the field of Teaching Artistry. They have spent over 5 years+ teaching in educational institutions and increasing the integrity of their teaching practice. They have done this by staying abreast of current trends in the field of education, their art form, and arts integration. They have attended and continue to attend conferences and professional development focused on the art of teaching and best practices when working with children of all backgrounds. They believe in a growth mindset and are committed to learning from their peers, as well as sharing and uplifting one another in an effort to increase the quality of instruction that children receive.



Benefits for Young Audiences Affiliates

1. CTAs can support new program initiatives (assist with program ideation, creation and delivery)
2. CTAs can support and mentor other Teaching Artists at your affiliate to aid in increased advancement of teaching and learning practices
3. CTAs can create and deliver network wide professional learning opportunities, which your affiliate's whole roster of teaching artists can benefit from
4. The CTA program offers affiliates cohesion of national best practices in educational spaces
5. The CTA program offers opportunity for affiliates to stay further connected to one another
6. When Teaching Artists have the opportunity to directly connect with peers around the nation, it builds and nurtures the field of teaching artistry

Benefits for Schools & Partnering Institutions

1. CTAs will create, design, and implement high-quality programming for your students
2. CTAs are your biggest advocates of arts-based learning, which offers a holistic approach to advancing student knowledge of the curriculum
3. CTAs stay abreast of current trends in education and child development and are ready to support your curriculum standards, goals, and objectives for students