



# The **Art** Of Change

News About How The Arts Make A Difference

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Dream A World Education provides a unique, high quality early childhood arts education that supports academic development, social-emotional learning and an understanding of cultural diversity.



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## *Can You Imagine A World Without Arts*

*It's A World Some Children Live In*

Art for children is not frivolous. It's not just giving a child a piece of paper and some crayons or playing a song on a beatbox. It's providing curriculum and a meaningful environment where children can learn to explore and process who they are. Learn more about Dream A World Education's approach to arts [here](#).



## Meet Tomoka & Phylliss Two Of Our Great Teaching Artists

This month we feature Tomoka Nomura-Jarvis and Phylliss Bailey-Brooks. These magnificent women fill our children's lives with music and influence them with world culture that is a part of who they are. Tomoka is from Gifu, Japan and plays sax and flute. Phylliss, is a vocalist and songwriter with a vast background in theatre. See more [here](#)



## Teaching Kindness

### The Arts Provide A Template

Our current world climate tells us why kindness is something our children need to learn. In our Secrets of the Heart dance workshops, through a Liberian welcome dance called Fanga, children learn about the world and how to show kindness. To get into college, Harvard University advocates for kindness instead of overachieving. We're on it Harvard! [here](#).



## The Real Benefits of Drumming

### Improving A Child's IQ

There are a long list of benefits to drumming beyond having fun, and our [One World Drum Circles](#) curriculum designed for 1st grade, as well as for teachers and parents, is providing all this and more. According to a study by Dr. E. Glenn Shellenberg at the University of Toronto, IQ test scores of 6 year old children significantly improved after receiving drum lessons. [See more here](#).



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- Mike Goldstein, Principal  
Eucalyptus Elementary

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