

WE TELL STORIES

Storytelling Workshops

We Tell Stories workshop artists are professional teaching artists-actors and storytellers who use the We Tell Stories unique educational philosophy and strategies. They create a safe environment where children feel empowered to uniquely express themselves. Connecting to both the Language Arts and Theatre Content Standards, they enhance literacy. WTS workshop artists lead students in exercises that help increase communication skills, build self-confidence and encourage imaginative thinking. The goal is to motivate that produce a community of active, avid readers and learners by giving them the skills to understand multi-cultural stories.

Through sequential instruction that includes basic improvisational theatre games and trust exercises, children learn story structure, explore themes, develop characters, experiment with staging and work as an ensemble.



Students engage in transforming a story into a play through individual or shared narration, and bring the story to life by playing characters from the story.



PRIOR TO THE WORKSHOP DAY:

Space:

- Clear of obstacles
- 15 x 20 feet

Surface:

- Clean and safe

Equipment:

- Whiteboard and markers
- Students need names on desks
- Comfortable attire for movement

Assistance:

- One teacher per thirty-five students.

ON WORKSHOP DAY:

Arrival:

- 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start time to prepare and set up.

Parking:

- One space near the venue for loading and unloading.

Assistance:

- Please have a school representative ready to welcome the artist and to stay and help as needed.
- Campus map and school pass

Start Time:

- Please prepare to start the program on time.
- Students should be in the workshop space, seated and ready to begin at the listed times.