

Making Spaces



Museums Developing and Delivering Quality Maker-Centered Professional Development



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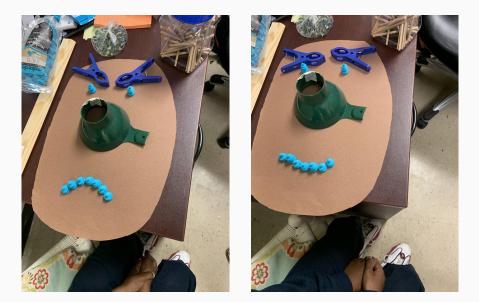
Making Faces: Tinker to Discover

- 1. Choose a paper oval
- 2. Look at the loose parts in the round tray
- 3. Choose an assortment of loose parts that can make eyes, noses, and mouths
- 4. Tinker with objects to create a face on the oval
- 5. Optional: use objects from your bag or pockets
- 6. Listen for prompts



Making Faces: Make to Learn

Change the expression of your face according to the questions we ask





Making Faces: Application Project

Portraiture: Presidents, Self Portraits, etc







Making Faces: Application Project

Apps that you can use to animate and add sound to your face.

Chatterpix

Stop Motion Studio

Gif Maker





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Our mission is to harness the potential of maker education to transform teaching and learning.

We provide training, support, and resources to individuals, institutions and communities who are integrating maker education into their learning environments.

Three delivery methods:

- Online resources
- Events (workshops & convening)
- Learning Communities (Making Spaces)

http://makered.org

What is Maker-Centered Learning and why is it important?





Approaches to Maker Education

TINKER TO DISCOVER

Learners develop an initial understanding through tinkering and making. Learners work toward short-term learning goals and then explore, make, and own their discoveries.

MAKE TO LEARN

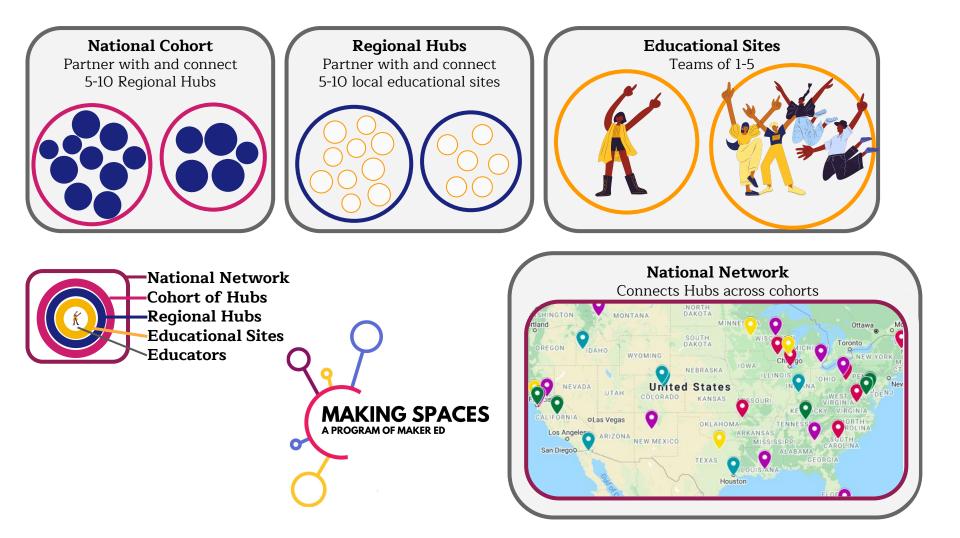
Learners build on, deepen, or cement understanding through making.

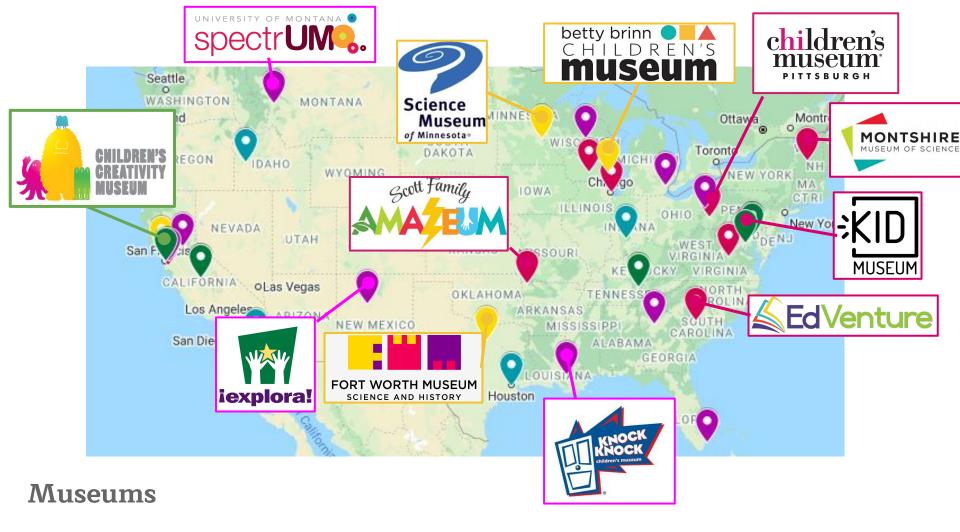
APPLICATION PROJECT

Learners apply their understanding in order to make a specific project, deepening and showcasing their knowledge.



To develop a national strategy to sustainably integrate making into schools and learning environments across the country







Libraries



Educational Institutions



Community Centers, Non-profits, and one Government Agency



Making Spaces National Network

Be a part of Cohort 6!

Applications close June 30

https://makered.org/ making-spaces/





Making Spaces National Network: Structures of Support



What Structures

Intensive Workshop

Cohort Call

2 day in-person workshop once a year Monthly zoom with full Cohort

1-1 Call

Community Call

Monthly zoom w/ Hub and Maker Ed Monthly zoom with all Making Spaces Cohorts (optional)

Documentation

Resources

Shared Google Drive Curated collections

Community Slack

Hub Portfolios

To document process and share work with current and future Hubs

Making Spaces - Creating Sustainability

Culture

- Establish or refine program values and vision
- Create a more inclusive organization

Pedagogy

- Engage with maker-centered pedagogical strategies
- Develop activities within a maker-centered framework

Equity

- Implement anti-racist and anti-oppression tools
- Integrate liberatory and equity focused teaching practices

Community

- Build internal capacity & funding strategies
- Increase engagement and relevance with local community



- Location: Albuquerque, NM
- Birthdate: 1995
- 40,000 square feet
- Making Spaces Cohort 4 Hub
- Making Spaces Goal: To support each site in developing its own system of Makerspace values



Creating Makerspace Values



Initial survey results: concern about sustainability

Steps:

- Focus on values
- Develop logic models
- Require more than one participant per site



Explora: Creating Makerspace Values

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1	Making engages all learners, particularly those who are marginalized by traditional schooling methods.	Making helps young people develop good habits of mind.	Making allows youth to develop as artists, innovators, engineers, entrepreneurs, and problem-solvers.	Making allows youth to improve their lives and contribute to the communities around them.
2	Making programs support opportunities for developing interest and identity.	Making prepares young people for success in the jobs of tomorrow.	Making is an ideal platform to provide equitable educational opportunities to all.	Making is an ideal platform for applying previously taught content knowledge to new situations.
3	Making is learner-driven and connects to the intellectual passions of youth.	Making is easily adapted to culturally and linguistically responsive teaching and learning.	Through making, young people gain access to a wider variety of job opportunities.	Making develops critical thinking, creativity, communication, and collaboration.
4	Making increases youth interest in STEM careers.	Making deepens youth engagement in learning by connecting to familiar practices.	Making builds teamwork and positive working relationships between student peers.	Making gives youth an authentic, meaningful, and engaging learning experience.



Social Justice and Equity - M1, A3, K2, E1

Workforce Development - M4, A2, K1, K3

Skill Development - M2, A1, K4, E3

Learning - M3, A4, E2, E4

VISION STATEMENT Tool

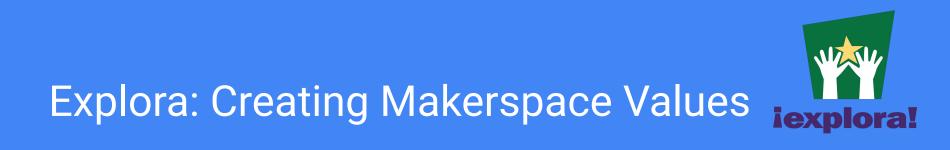
VALUES	COMMUNITY STRENGTHS	AUDIENCE	GOALS	WHY THIS MATTERS	METRICS OF SUCCESS
What are our values? What is our philosophy?	What are the strengths, interests, and resources in our community?	Who is the audience we serve?	What are our goals? What do we want to accomplish?	What have we observed that supports this development?	How will we know we me our goals?
	Look Outward				
	Look Inward			What are the needs we will fill or problem we will solve?	
		Who are our partners? Who are our stakeholders?	How will we seek feedback/ input from our stakeholders?		
	Look Forward			Why is this important for the audience, stakeholders, and backers?	

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Vision Tool

We believe (our values):	Based on (our strengths):	We aim to (our goals):	For whom (our audiences):	Because we know (our community needs):	We will succeed when (our metrics for success):
 E1 Making allows youth to improve their lives and contribute to the communities around them. E3 Making develops critical thinking, creativity, communication, and collaboration. K2 Making is an ideal platform equitable educational opportunities for all. 		 (1) Provide opportunities for beginning ELs feel they can express themselves (1) Create authentic purpose for making so that beginnings ELs feel like they are part of and contributing to the community (2) Encourage K-2 girls to feel proud of their STEAM abilities (2) Provide experiences for active engagement in STEAM for K-2 girls 	 (1) Beginning English Learners (2) K-2 girls 		•



Session Structure:

- Network/community building activity
- Hands-on Maker activity
- Building sustainability activity
- Discussion/debrief



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- Location: Baton Rouge, Louisiana
- Birthdate: August 22, 2017
- 26,000 square feet
- One of our 18 learning zones is a dedicated and facilitated makerspace
- Making Spaces Cohort 4 Hub



Focusing on Early Childhood to Spark the Young Learner's Interest in Making



Making Spaces Vision Statement

We believe...making and tinkering is a pathway to STEAM careers for our youngest learners.

We aim...to grow leaders and provide professional learning experiences for early childhood educators.

We do this because... there is a gap in STEAM professional development in early education.

We will succeed when we have...built regional capacity to sustain, grow, and deepen the impact of maker-centered learning.





Focusing on Early Childhood to Spark the Young Learner's Interest in Making

Who

- Cohort 1–9 sites: public schools, lab school, library branch from 3 parishes (counties)
- Leadership Teams: teacher representative from each grade PreK to 3rd plus administrator (principal, librarian, STEAM coordinator, etc)





Focusing on Early Childhood to Spark the Young Learner's Interest in Making



How

- Mix of virtual and in-person professional development with making and tinkering themes ranging from light and shadow to circuits to kinetic sculpture and simple machines
- Constantly evaluating to meet sites' needs





Focus on Phenomena

What

- The Next Generation Science Standards (and Louisiana's State Standards) guide teachers on how to engage young students in science using phenomena.
- Phenomena are observable events that occur in the universe and that we can use our science knowledge to explain or predict.
- Our approach for *Making Spaces* aligns to these standards-we tinker with phenomena.



Spinning Gravity and Balance

Force and Motion



Real World Connections

The Literacy Connection

Much of what we do starts with a story.

Children's literature is ripe with ideas for maker-centered learning projects.

We often use problems presented in children's books to springboard our ideas.





Real World Connections

Local Connections

What are the children seeing around their communities?

What events/holidays/etc. can jumpstart a maker project?

- Weather events (hurricanes, power outages, etc)
- Black History Month (Black Inventors and Inventions)
- Fairs and Festivals (tinkering with sound or simple machines)







- Location: Bentonville, Arkansas
- Birthdate: July 15, 2015
- 27,000 square feet
- Making Spaces Cohort 1 Hub
- The Amazeum exists to spark and nurture the curious and creative spirit in all of us. We do this by focusing on play and making/tinkering.

Building Community Through Cohort Model



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REAGAN Elementary School

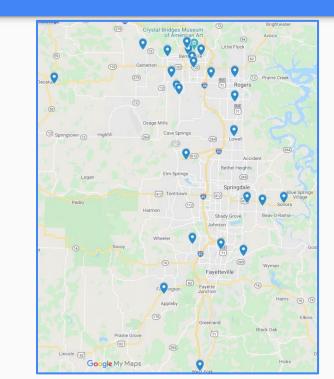




Connector and Convener

6 cohorts 27 schools 10 districts

1 mission





Catalyst for Transformation

Date	Time	Торіс	
Thursday Sept 16, 2021	4:00-6:00 pm	Investigate Importance of Making	
Thursday Oct 7, 2021	4:00-6:00 pm	Values and Vision	
Thursday Nov 11, 2021	4:00-6:00 pm	Curriculum Integration	
Thursday Dec 9, 2021	4:00-6:00 pm	Documentation and Assessment	
Thursday Jan 13, 2022	4:00-6:00 pm	Implementation Strategies	
Thursday Feb 17, 2022	4:00-6:00 pm	Supplies and Budget	
March 2022	TBD	Site visits at individual schools MCL introduction for school staff	
Thursday April 7, 2022	4:00-6:00 pm	Fundraising for Sustainability	
Thursday April 28, 2022	4:00-6:00 pm	Planning Next Steps	





Strategies for Building Community: Norms

Ground Rules

Misery is Optional

Lean In as a Learner & Listener

Be raggedy

No one knows everything, together we know a lot



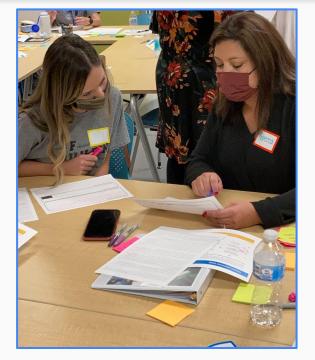
Strategies for Building Community: Profile Making





Strategies for Building Community: Mixing Teams









Strategies for Building Community: Shared Experiences







Strategies for Building Community: Utilizing Alumni





Strategies for Building Community: Valuing Relationships





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