



**CREATE A SPACE:**  
**A Social Emotional Learning and STEAM Project and Exhibit**

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Please feel free to contact us in implementing the **Create A Space** project and exhibit, or any of its scalable versions in your classroom/at your camps and at your family engagements! We offer Professional Development for you to implement this program with your kids and families, as well as the **Create A Space** exhibit, which will be used in conjunction with the scalable versions of the program, suitable for camps, family engagements, and classes.

**Create A Space Overview:** Having experienced the past years of uncertainty, creating a space where we feel good, whatever that means for us, is a resilient tool to nurture. Everyone needs a space they can call their own, filled with what makes them feel happy, content, or cozy. If we can identify what we need in that space to make us feel those things, we might be able to create that very space in our lives.

Twirl, A Play, and Discovery Space launched a multi-modality program in Spring 2022 with children and families in Taos County, New Mexico, to design and engineer small-scale models depicting a space of one's own, **Create A Space**. Twirl helped children identify what they wanted their space to sound, feel, and look like in order to be claimed as "Their Space".

**Create A Space Program & Exhibit Outcomes and Goals:**

- Exploring Social Emotional Learning vocabulary.
- Safety and feeling good look different for everyone. By the end of this project, participants will have had the opportunity to think about what it looks like for THEM to foster this in their lives and in their Spaces.
- Designing a project from idea to completion.
- STEAM learning: basic electricity explorations and circuitry with a switch, lighting up an LED light. Engineering of simple moving components.
- Creative process problem-solving.
- Exploring innovation and creativity through a plethora of materials.
- Connecting kids and caregivers through creativity and Social Emotional learning

**Scalable Versions of the Create A Space Community Programs:**

**1. Create A Space for Elementary School Age Camps and Classrooms (4-6 hours):**

1.5-2 hour long sessions up to 4 sessions exploring SEL and STEAM concepts with the end product of creating your own Space.

**2. Create A Space All Ages Family Engagement (1.5-2 hours):**

One off event exploring SEL and STEAM concepts at various stations.

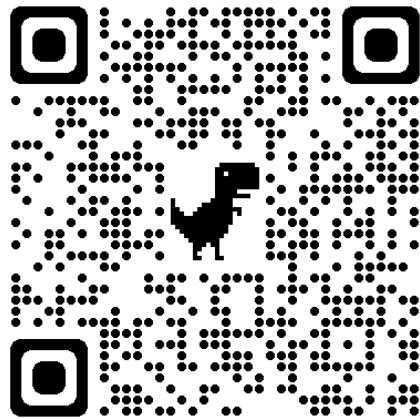
**3. Make A Mood for All Ages Camps, Classrooms and Family Engagements (1-2 hours):**

Compressed version of Create A Space

**4. Create A Space for Early Childhood PreK-2nd grade for Camps and Family Engagements (1 hour):**

(1 hour) Exploring Space Making and Social Emotional Learning through literacy and movement and loose parts play anchored with the book “A Space of My Own”, by Pippa Goodheart

**Video and Photos of Twirl’s Create A Space Programs and Exhibit:**



**Please note: The Create A Space Exhibit that gets set up in conjunction with the program in a museum setting works best when it is a guided experience.**

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