



Ensuring the Arts for

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New Orleans, Louisiana

The Kennedy Center



Mission



Every K-8 child will receive pervasive, abundant, and resource-rich arts learning experiences that are connected to New Orleans cultures and model excellence and best practices in education.

Vision

Any Given Child is creating a movement of partnerships across cultures, communities and classrooms resulting in confident, creative young people with a passion for life and learning.



The Process

1,200 community members and **32 schools** participated in an extensive review of data on existing arts education services in New Orleans. Through **29 meetings** with a Community Arts Team, school leaders, and the public, our city has established **5 Goals** and an Action Plan for Any Given Child New Orleans.*

**Working Title*

Detailed information about survey findings and the process can be found at kidsmart.org/any_given_child.html.



Goals & Action Plan

- **GOAL 1:** Expand **ACCESS TO EXCELLENT** arts rich schools that provide rigorous, sequential and joyful arts education.
 - ▣ Create rubric for arts rich schools and common definitions for arts education terms to align all stakeholders.
 - ▣ Meet with and collect data from schools about existing arts programming and desire for arts hub.
 - ▣ Create pilot project and application process for first cadre of schools.
 - ▣ Organize professional development opportunities for schools and teaching artists.

- **GOAL 2:** **INVEST** in arts education by identifying and developing resources to ensure sustainability of initiative.
 - ▣ Raise funds for AGCNO initiative and school pilot project.

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- **GOAL 3: COMMUNICATE** and connect with stakeholders, partners and community to build awareness and share information.
 - ▣ Create an engaging, action-oriented name and branding for the initiative.
 - ▣ Prepare and present media event to announce initiative.
 - ▣ Create and disseminate materials for Year 2 programming.

- **GOAL 4: ADVOCATE** for arts education by creating a **POLICY** platform and engaging stakeholders as champions to help facilitate its realization.
 - ▣ Gather current information about arts education policies nationally and determine relevant data.
 - ▣ Conduct initial research scan on relevant policy issues and identify potential consultant.

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- **GOAL 5:** Develop and maintain a digital **ARTS EDUCATION HUB** database of mapped data and arts education resources to inform decision making and programming.
 - Convene cultural partners and parent groups to discuss preliminary needs and desires for arts hub

2015-16 Governance Committee

- Scott Aiges, New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Foundation
- Echo Olander, KID smART
- Sonya Robinson, Artist Corps New Orleans
- Asante Salaam, City of New Orleans
- Kyle Wedberg, New Orleans Center for Creative Arts

If you are interested in making a difference in New Orleans arts education, please consider participating on Any Given Child Committees by contacting anygivenchild@kidsmart.org

2015-2016 Initiatives

□ **WORKSHOPS FOR EDUCATORS:**

Four(4) high-impact, interactive arts education workshops led by Kennedy Center faculty are available for New Orleans educators (Spring of 2016). <http://kidsmart.org/workshops.html> for more information.

□ **MUSIC MAPPING PILOT:** Artist Corps New Orleans will pilot a “Mapping Music” initiative to create a model for city-wide mapping of all arts education in 2016-17:

- All public schools will be plotted on a map of the city.
- Will create digital access for each school to see music programs, grades served and teachers.
- Data will be crowd-sourced by music educators, and confirmed by administrators.

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□ COMMITTEE ACTION PLANS:

Committees are structured around each of the 5 AGCNO Goals. Committee members will refine and implement Action Steps created during the planning process. Participants for committees are encouraged to contact anygivenchild@kidsmart.org.

□ IDENTIFYING PROJECT DIRECTOR:

Please watch for position posting (Spring 2016) and help share with ideal candidates!

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