Unit 5: Performance Critique

Content Area: Music
Course(s): Music
Time Period: May
Length: 10 weeks
Status: Published

Enduring Understandings

- 1. The process of critique allows for the evaluation of strengths and weaknesses of works of music.
- 2. Through critique, students can focus their understanding of their likes and dislikes in music.
- 3. Critique is a positive process through which students can better themselves.

Essential Questions

- 1. How do I become a better musician?
- 2. Why do I like this music, or why don't I like this music?
- 3. What makes music interesting and good, and what if I like different music than my friends?

Content

- Elements and expressive aspects of music, such as: beat, rhythm, melody, harmony, tempo, dynamics, phrasing, mood...
- Evaluative tools and methods

Skills

- Express opinion in meaningful and appropriate ways regarding amateur and professional performances
- Self-reflect on performances given in class and in formal settings
- Assess the application of elements and expressive aspects of music
- Discuss technical proficiency of peers and professional musicians
- Cooperatively discuss different opinions and thoughts concerning different performances
- Respond to musical performances discussing personal, cultural and historical points of view
- Categorize music according to the context from which it originated

Resources

Standards

| VPA.1.1.5 | All students will demonstrate an understanding of the elements and principles that govern the creation of works of art in dance, music, theatre, and visual art. |
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| VPA.1.1.5.B | Music |
| VPA.1.1.5.B.1 | Identify the elements of music in response to aural prompts and printed music notational systems. |
| VPA.1.1.5.B.2 | Demonstrate the basic concepts of meter, rhythm, tonality, intervals, chords, and melodic and harmonic progressions, and differentiate basic structures. |
| VPA.1.3.5.B | Music |
| VPA.1.3.5.B.4 | Decode how the elements of music are used to achieve unity and variety, tension and release, and balance in musical compositions. |
| VPA.1.4.5 | All students will demonstrate and apply an understanding of arts philosophies, judgment, and analysis to works of art in dance, music, theatre, and visual art. |
| VPA.1.4.5.A | Aesthetic Responses |
| VPA.1.4.5.A.1 | Employ basic, discipline-specific arts terminology to categorize works of dance, music, theatre, and visual art according to established classifications. |
| VPA.1.4.5.A.2 | Make informed aesthetic responses to artworks based on structural arrangement and personal, cultural, and historical points of view. |
| VPA.1.4.5.A.3 | Demonstrate how art communicates ideas about personal and social values and is inspired by an individual's imagination and frame of reference (e.g., personal, social, political, historical context). |
| VPA.1.4.5.B | Critique Methodologies |
| VPA.1.4.5.B.1 | Assess the application of the elements of art and principles of design in dance, music, theatre, and visual artworks using observable, objective criteria. |
| VPA.1.4.5.B.2 | Use evaluative tools, such as rubrics, for self-assessment and to appraise the objectivity of critiques by peers. |
| VPA.1.4.5.B.3 | Use discipline-specific arts terminology to evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of works of dance, music, theatre, and visual art. |
| VPA.1.4.5.B.4 | Define technical proficiency, using the elements of the arts and principles of design. |
| VPA.1.4.5.B.5 | Distinguish ways in which individuals may disagree about the relative merits and effectiveness of artistic choices in the creation and performance of works of dance, music, theatre, and visual art. |