

Resources from today's MeetUp: 10/25/18

Serious Play @ MAM



Serious Play: Design in Midcentury America explores the projects of over 40 designers who advocated for playfulness and whimsy within their creations for corporations, domestic interiors, and children. The exhibition presents play as a serious form of inspiration, experimentation, and problem solving. In midcentury America, such playful design occurred against the backdrop of a booming consumer market and as a counterbalance to Cold War-era anxiety. Furniture, toys, textiles, films, posters, ceramics are among the objects featured.

Serious Play projects in your classroom might include:

- Toy design competition
- House of cards collaborative art activity - <https://mam.org/house-of-cards/>
- Get more ideas on teaching design thinking in K-12 from the Stanford D.School - <https://dschool.stanford.edu/programs/k12-lab-network>

MAM Education Programs

Support your students' critical thinking, creativity, and visual literacy skills with a trip to the Museum. Develop vocabulary, explore interdisciplinary curriculum applications, and foster evidence-based thinking through world-class works of art. Docent guided tours are designed to enhance curriculum, from Common Core to STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math), and free family passes allow all students to extend their museum experience on a return visit with their family. Additional programs include:

- Art of Writing: Young Authors and Artists Conference
- Junior Docent School Program
- The Herzfeld Photography, Print, and Drawing Study Center
- Satellite High School Internship Program (ages 16-18)
- ArtXpress Internship Program (ages 16-18)
- Scholastic Art Awards (grades 7-12)

2018/2019 School & Teacher Program Brochure:

https://issuu.com/milwaukeeartmuseum/docs/201806_schoolprogramsbrochure_d12_d?e=1056264/63641803



Look Write See



Look, Write, See was developed to help teach writing and encourage closer looking at art. The twenty activities are paired with works of art from the Milwaukee Art Museum's Collection, but each can easily be used with other works-and at other museums. The magic of these activities happens in the combination of close looking, writing, listening to what others see, and looking again. You will be amazed at what you discover together!

<http://store.mam.org/prod-18-1-3575-64/look-write-see-activities-for-teaching-writing-and-looking-at-art.htm>