

**Creative Connections Global Voices Initiative** 

## TheaterConnect Workshop II: Problem Solving Through International Storytelling

A collaborative creative experience in crosscultural education and problem-solving with peers from around the world. Middle and High School participants interact with one another around their own stories - their life experiences and challenges - as they deal with an ever-changing interconnected world.

## **TheaterConnect Workshop:**

Students meet together virtually over three fully-facilitated sessions, where they:

Day 1

Get to know each other through interactive theater and cultural exchange exercises.

Day 2

Learn narrative skills by telling, listening to, and retelling personal stories in their individual classrooms.

Day 3

Use applied theater techniques to bring their stories to life, practicing adaptive problem solving skills and methods to communicate across global cultures.

**Outcomes:** Students will navigate these 21st century learning skills: creative and critical thinking, communication and listening techniques, intercultural awareness and empathy, and an understanding of their relationship to their own cultures.

**Requirements:** TheaterConnect is ideal for uppermiddle and high school groups of 25 students or fewer. Moderate fluency in English is preferred. A good internet connection is a must.



Please contact Project Manager **tsteckler@creativeconnections.org** if you are interested in TheaterConnect for your students!



Tim Steckler is a Brooklyn based teaching artist, facilitator, director, actor, and community organizer. He has designed and led workshops with participants from around the world, including STEM students in New York, refugees in Jordan, mental health professionals from the West Bank, police officers and civilians in Brooklyn, and students in Nepal and the United States through cultural exchanges. Tim holds a Master's in Education from Harvard University and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Principia College.

**Cost:** \$950 for 3 session package, which includes 6 hours of facilitated virtual exchange sessions. Funding support is available.