YOUTH ART MONTH IDEAS TO USE

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Art Builds Bridges

Just pick one or more to help get the word out. Then let us know what you did.

- Put up a bulletin board declaring March as Youth Art Month
- have a schoolwide art show
- have a districtwide art show
- **have your principal mention YAM during announcements**
- have your principal read an appropriate art quote everyday or every week during the month
- get endorsements signed by the principal, superintendent, and other officials and important community members
- get a proclamation signed by the mayor
- **have students participate in the YAM flag design contest**
- contact local agencies (hospitals, restaurants, banks, offices, retail shops, fast food establishments) to display student work
- arrange for student demonstrations in banks, stores, shopping centers
- plan with the local senior citizens center to host the YAM flag design winners
- hand out one page flyers with information about YAM and the benefits of art education
- frame student-made work and present to mayors, legislators, etc.
- have students create artwork and write about it, then mail to family, friends, administrators, etc.
- send out student made postcards to everyone
- contact your street department to hang student created YAM banners during the month of March
- contact local billboard company about using YAM artwork
- ask merchants to invite students to design newspaper ads
- encourage students to wear primary, secondary colors, patterns etc.(tee & sweatshirts without artwork or words) to be part of "wearable" art on different days of the week or month
- **student designed buttons**
- edible art
- store windows painted by students
- grocery bags designed by using student artwork (do not use waterbased markers)
- **make specialty tags for the faculty to wear during the month of March**
- make cards for lunch trays for hospital patients, nursing homes, cafeterias, etc.
- send letters home via students inviting parents (and /or other relatives) to hang their child's art work in their place of business to honor YAM
- collect quotes in support of art education from leading citizens
- have the school and public library feature books on children's art, art careers etc. during the month
- have an art festival – designate a whole school day devoted to nothing but art activities
- arrange for discussions, talks, films, etc.
- **book of teacher caricatures drawn by students**
- traveling art shows
- living art
- create a an art game (trivia, name that artist, Art Jeopardy, etc) for your class or school to play during the month
- create a calendar of art activities for each day of March, distribute to students and teachers
- **ask your technology department to scan your YAM flag design winners for computer screen savers**
- add YAM information to your school's web page
- arrange Family Fun Art workshops after school or evenings

KEEP TRACK OF ALL OF THE WONDERFUL THINGS THAT YOUR SCHOOL DOES TO PROMOTE ART EDUCATION DURING YOUTH ART MONTH (MARCH)