

Arts-a-Copia

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Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art
Saint Joseph Symphony
School District of Saint Joseph

Arts-a-Copia is pleased to offer a new and interactive Professional Development Opportunity...

Wednesday, September 14th 4:00 - 7:30 pm

Character Interviews : A Dramatic Approach to Reading Comprehension.

In this workshop, teachers discover how to create and host an imaginary talk show, "Books Alive!" in their classrooms. Students portray characters from a book and answer question in role. The questions encourage the students to make predictions, draw inferences and examine the theme of the text. An amazingly fun way to achieve and assess reading comprehension!! This workshop will also be taught with a slant towards ESOL.

Clinician: Lenore Blank Kelner, Director of InterAct Story Theatre <http://interactstory.com>



Lenore Blank Kelner is an actress, theatre director, educator, playwright, author and drama specialist. Since 1981, Lenore has shown thousands of teachers in the U.S. and abroad how to make teaching fun, exciting and effective. She frequently presents for the Wolf Trap Institute for Early Learning Through the Arts and the John F. Kennedy Center's Arts in Education Program. Her book, **The Creative Classroom**, was published by Heinemann. Lenore's second book and videotape, **Creative Drama in the Special Education Classroom**, was published by Therapy Skill Builders.

I have been teaching for 20 years. This was the best staff development workshop I have been to. Engaging! Practical! Perfect for ESOL and all my students. Thank you.

- Teacher, Farmland Elementary, Montgomery Co. MD

Lenore Blank Kelner is one of the most experienced arts educators I know. She has been leading drama workshops for educators for many years, works directly with students in classrooms, and has written books that have proved to be invaluable resources for teachers. Teachers tell us her work makes a difference in their ability to reach the students in their classrooms.

- **Barbara Shepherd**, Director - Partners in Education, Education Department, Kennedy Center

The three hours flew by. I could use a part two- I got so many great ideas.

- **ESL Teacher**, Green Bay, WI

My teachers were absolutely right-you are the best! What fun it was to have you with us to kick off our very first Early Childhood Educator's Workshop Series! People left enthused, and encouraged to expand their repertoire of interactive group play with the children.

- **Director**, Fairfax United Methodist Church Preschool

The presentation was excellent and very relevant for helping our student achieve the S.O.Ls.

- **Teacher**, Crossfield Elementary, Herndon, VA

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