



## Arts Resources Training & Support

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### ARTS Center Resources

- Arts books, videos, slides, musicals, art reproductions, CDs, cassettes
- Arts integration units prepared by ARTS Center staff
- Children's literature that integrates well with music and art

### ARTS Center Services

- Workshops on art, music, dance, drama, and literature integration
- 1-on-1 consultations on arts curriculum planning
- Help plan arts integration units
- Firing clay for schools
- Finding that special song, art work or book

## Metaphors, Similes, Alliterations, Onomatopoeia...Wow!

All this poetry vocabulary - and more - was flying through the air as eager students created group poetry with Judy Young, award winning author and poet from Springfield, MO.

Young, who is the author of *R is for Rhyme - A Poetry Alphabet*, *The Lucky Star*, and many others, was in Albuquerque Oct. 27-28, working with students at Garfield MS, Madison MS, Dolores Gonzales ES and Osuna ES. She guided them in poetry writing techniques as part of the promotion and preparation for the annual *Words and Images Illustrated Poetry Exhibition* to be held in April at Montgomery Complex. The exhibition is sponsored by the ARTS Center and APS Library Services.

Judy was also invited to work with students at Zia and Inez Elementary Schools during her Albuquerque stay, replicating her poetry work from the previous schools with several grade levels at both Zia and Inez.



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## When Blackout Is a Good Thing!

During the October district-wide in-services, middle and high school drama teachers had an opportunity to meet with Albuquerque's newest theatre company, *Blackout*.



*Drama teachers from (L to R) La Cueva HS, Manzano HS, Eldorado HS, Del Norte HS, and Hoover MS created a character and play synopsis in a sample playwriting workshop presented by Blackout Theatre Company.*

Working in conjunction with UNM's Department of Theatre and Dance,

members of *Blackout* are hoping to making connections with secondary drama teachers at schools in the community. They have a program to bring a series of workshops to the school sites, tailor-made to the needs of the participants. From designing and producing, acting/improvising and playwriting, dancing and directing to an entire "play-in-a-day", *Blackout* offers a vast number of experiences for drama students.

*Blackout* members are current students and graduates of UNM and include award-winning playwright, Leonard Madrid, actor and writers Jeff Anderson and Heather Yeo, and are supported by Susan Pearson MFA, professor of Theatre at UNM. They would like to give back to the drama students of Albuquerque.

The afternoons with the drama teachers included an activity where characters were created from lists that were generated on the spot. Participants also had time to discuss their needs with *Blackout* members and how those needs might be met. For more information on *Blackout* and their outreach program, please feel free to contact Jeff Anderson at [Jeff@blackouttheatre.com](mailto:Jeff@blackouttheatre.com) or 554-1086 or Susan Pearson at [Speardav@unm.edu](mailto:Speardav@unm.edu).