



## Program: Bringing History to Life

Grade: 5

Content Area(s): Literacy, Social Studies

Arts Area(s): Film making, Illustration

Unit Length: 6-10 weeks

Side x Side hours: 10-12

### Key Features

- Aligned with Common Core and Next Generation standards and Maine learning results in Visual and Performing arts
- Integrated with school and grade level curriculum
- Learning focused on finding theme and meaning in history; conducting research to answer questions; writing concise, informative narratives; selecting compelling images
- Students impart results of research and learning two ways: informational writing and film; creating new content from prior learning.
- Customized programming schedule with approximately 10-12 teaching artist hours in classroom
- Program Kickoff with teaching artists and content experts
- Program Showcase event
- All project supplies and materials provided
- Detailed program documentation: lesson plans, supply and resource lists, arts and content connections
- Established connections with local organizations for support and program enhancement

### Benefits

- Fully engages students
- Creates better readers and writers
- Develops critical thinking skills
- Promotes media literacy
- Applies reasoning and problem-solving skills
- Builds collaboration and communication skills
- Develops leadership skills, including decision-making, strategy building, planning and reflection
- Enhances creativity, one of the top five skills employers prize for the 21st Century
- Fosters persistence