

Art & Language:

Family conversations that enrich children's learning

El arte & el lenguaje:

*Conversaciones de familia que enriquecen el aprendizaje
de los niños*

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Overview: The Art & Language workshop was created to encourage families to use art and books to help spark conversations between parents and children. In addition to promoting language and literacy, Skillful & Soulful Press strives to increase art appreciation among communities of color because we strongly believe that this contributes to the enriching life experiences and conversations that families can have.

Delivery: This is a two-part workshop: 1) One-hour lecture sharing information about language development through arts integration

and exposure to arts culture. We share with parents how visual arts offer opportunities to develop creativity, imagination, and higher order thinking in young children; and 2) A two-hour painting session facilitated by the illustrator of our books, Reynaldo Mora, who leads a step-by-step process where participants create their own art piece on canvas. The images participants paint are inspired by the illustrations of our bilingual children's books.

Material: All the art supplies and material needed for the second part of the workshop are included (16 x 20 canvas, acrylic paint, easels, palettes, brushes, aprons).

Language: It is recommended that the workshop be delivered in its entirety in one language, English or Spanish. Simultaneous translation should be offered by the host agency.

Group Size: The ideal number for an interactive workshop experience is 10 to 40 adults.

Cost: \$35 per participant. The workshop can be booked as a 2-hour art workshop only at \$30.00 per person.



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