

I have to admit that I am overwhelmed when looking at so many different standards for the arts. I thought NGSS could be formidable, now I know better. I have looked at the national and local standards for the arts and I am still having difficulty understanding them. The art teacher at my school has offered to collaborate with me on this project. I have two lesson plans where I would really like to incorporate more artistic range with my students. The first is a design project where the students create structures that withstand shaking on an earthquake table. I already incorporate design, but I would like to take it farther and with maybe one of those standards that talked about refinement of design. There is also a lesson plan on Earth's History that I would love to incorporate the arts into. I would love for the students to create something from a time frame and it could be in any medium. I would also like to find an artistic way to teach about waves. There are so many opportunities to include the arts and I am afraid I cannot see the trees for the forest