

Makers, Shakers, and Boundary Breakers: Blending Curriculum and Creativity through Arts Integration

Keynote

Small Hands with Big Ideas: Integrating Art and Maker Education

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Not your usual sit-back-and-listen keynote, Matt will supply us with simple “maker materials” and keep our hands – and minds – busy. Art educators have always been the earliest adopters of creative technologies. How can traditional media and tools complement emerging tech, to enhance expressive and design thinking abilities in our students - and ourselves? Join Matt as he has us think through how we can adapt the maker movement to students of all ages.

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Matt Barinholtz is an artist and educator who builds experiences that connect young makers to traditional skills, creative technologies, and serious play. For the past 20 years, Matt has collaborated with intergenerational teams of youth and adults to create employment readiness experiences through shop-based production woodworking, metal fabrication, and digital fabrication businesses in community-based and juvenile detention settings.

In 2012, Matt founded FutureMakers - a Baltimore-based team of visiting maker education experts who coach grade and middle school students and educators across Maryland, greater Washington, D.C. and Northern Virginia. Matt is a Chicagoland native and Baltimore resident, and believes small hands with big ideas deserve real tools, opportunities to explore, and coaches who care - in their neighborhoods and schools

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