

Ixtlan Education Group
is a nonprofit organization and
a division of Ixtlan Artists Group.

Our mission is to connect kids of all ages
with artists who will take them beyond
their own cultural experiences, who will
share the richness of tradition, and whose
message is sincere and thought-provoking.

We invite you to bring to your students
this rich connection as we provide you with:

- A teacher's guide connecting the artist's performance and curriculum standards.
- Writing prompts for all grade levels.
- Ideas for connecting the performance to the classroom and home.

**Call today for information or
to schedule a program for your school
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www.ixtlanArtists.com*

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*"Intelligence plus character –
that is the goal of true education."*

-Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



Virtuoso performers
- a commitment to
education and diversity

The Art of Visionary Cultural Performance



Bring your students the world!

Our Artists and their programs

"Once students see that we are all connected, they'll discover that differences are our greatest strengths...and a lot of these negative things will cease to happen. They won't be able to find the spaces in their lives that will allow them to do something negative to somebody else."

- Babatunde Lea



Kevin Locke
The Hoop of Life

Kevin's curriculum-related program engages students through Native flute music, storytelling, and his world renowned Hoop Dance. Through participation, he weaves the spirit of the indigenous peoples with a message of the importance of One World, conveying to his young audiences the universality of the Human Spirit.



Babatunde Lea
The Seeds of Positive Change

Using rhythms from the African Diaspora blended with Caribbean and South American essences, Babatunde promotes effective critical thinking on social and cultural issues through an exploration of arts and culture. With his music he challenges students to look within, empowering them to become positive agents of change for themselves and the world, thus becoming an inspiration for cross-cultural problem solving.



Peter Ostroushko
That Place on the Other Side

Peter's violin and mandolin music reflects styles from cultures around the world, with a special nod to his Ukrainian roots. Using captivating songs and instrumentation, Peter engages his students in an exploration of the creative process within. It is the heart of the Heartland, a place that lives in all of us.



Tommy Sands
Let the Circle Be Wide

Irish folk artist Tommy Sands is known around the world as "The Bard of Peace." His songs and stories help create bridges. Through a worldview forged in the midst of the troubles in Northern Ireland, Tommy inspires students to understand the universality of the human condition and the importance of living in harmony.



Thirza Detoë
Deep Roots,
Strong Branches

Thirza shares her Ojibwe and Oneida Indian culture through Iroquois social songs, flute, dancing, and storytelling. Her interactive program is also available with a Writers Workshop.

Harmonía
The Soul of the Gypsy

Widely known for their virtuosity and technical brilliance, Harmonia delivers the fun, depth, and fire of Eastern European music as well as insight into the region's culture in this interactive program.



Shafaatullah Khan
The Art of Indian
Classical Music

Shafaat brings to his school programs a magic that breathes the beauty of India's classical music traditions through the complexity and richness of instrumentation and sound.

Need to know more?

- Since 1980, Kevin Locke has performed for over one million children in over 75 countries.
- In 1998, Tommy Sands worked with Protestant and Catholic children through song during the Good Friday Accord peace process.
- Shafaatullah Khan's family mastery of Middle Eastern instrumentation spans seven generations.

- In 1993, Babatunde Lea founded the Edu-Cultural Foundation. Its mission is to promote effective critical thinking about social and cultural issues through the exploration of arts and culture.
- Since 1986, Peter Ostroushko has won multiple awards for composition and recording. He is a frequent guest on A Prairie Home Companion, the popular radio show with Garrison Keillor.