

Are you a
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Recent MFA Graduate
Beginning Foundations Faculty
Emerging Administrator
Master Educator?



June 2 to 6, 2010
Lamar Dodd School of Art
University of Georgia

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Integrative Teaching ThinkTank and The University of Georgia:
Lamar Dodd School for Art and the Jane and Harry Willson Center
for the Humanities and Arts.

ThinkTank is a facilitated forum offered by the Integrative Teaching ThinkTank organization. It brings together art and design master teachers, administrators & emerging educators to address thematic issues of higher education. By linking educational theory to practice, ThinkTank identifies innovative new approaches to higher education.

Integrative Teaching ThinkTank evaluates ThinkTank outcomes and creates or modifies theories, policies and curricula for future ThinkTank sessions.

ThinkTank5 Four Minds for the Future

ThinkTank5 has been rethought as an event after focused feedback from past events. ThinkTank5 will have master and emerging educators and administrators collaborating for the full five days.

In *Five Minds for the Future*, Howard Gardner presents five interrelated modes of thinking as components in building a productive future. Inspired by this example, we will explore our own four modes of thinking and develop connections among them.

The **Creative Mind** embraces risk, synthesizes prior knowledge, and develops new concepts.

The **Constructive Mind** transforms creative possibilities into tangible objects or actions.

The **Critical Mind** discerns strengths and weaknesses among multiple options and determines priorities.

The **Connective Mind** brings all of these possibilities together and provides outreach to the larger community of educators at all levels.

Athens, Georgia is recognized as one of America's premier cities for live independent music. With its numerous restaurants, eateries, pubs, and music venues, it is a great place to socialize with ThinkTank colleagues after a day of intense workshops and discussion.

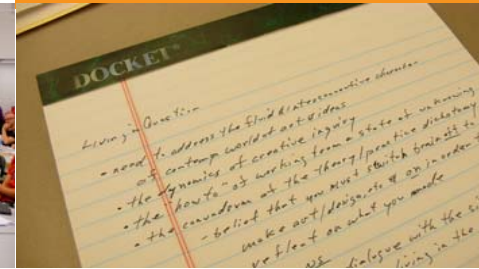
Integrative Teaching ThinkTank will be offering ten \$850 scholarships to emerging educators or administrators to defray the costs of attendance to ThinkTank.

Registration is by invitation, based on a simple online application process. Because ThinkTank requires pre-conference readings and post-conference reports it is best suited for motivated and self-directed professionals with a strong commitment to improving higher education.

Deadline for forms submission is December 30, 2009. Candidates will be contacted by ITT in February 2010.

Participants will pay the full registration fees online using credit card or PayPal. Refunds are not possible.

For more information on ITT and ThinkTank, please visit <http://integrativeteaching.org>



Integrative Teaching ThinkTank

higher education at a higher level

ThinkTank is part of Integrative Teaching Thinktank (ITT), an Illinois based educational corporation that supports ThinkTank outcomes and modifies theories, frameworks and methods back to ITT for consideration.

ITT's main goal is to provide emerging educators with essential continuing educational opportunities with practice-based skills, knowledge, and experience for effective college-level teaching. It also provides experienced educators with a forum for exploration, elaboration, and improvement of existing skills.

ITT seeks reciprocal alliances with organizations whose members are concerned with the theoretical, pedagogical, and skill-based support of art + design foundations educators.



“ I enjoyed meeting and sharing with so many fascinating colleagues. It was my first such conference and I am still digesting everything that was covered. The issues addressed at Think Tank are issues for which I have felt a definite need at my college and especially in my department. It was great to see these difficult topics addressed in both theoretical and practical ways. I have already shared some of this with my colleagues.”

John DiMino
Darton College

“ I am not alone out here in this foundational world. It was awesome being surrounded by people who are interested in the same goals, objectives and future within an area I am also passionate about. Too many other conferences are all about the upper division learning and ‘show and tell’ towards the juniors, seniors and graduate students... this conference was all about the foundational learning.”

Tony Reynaldo
Ohio State University

“The experience was really a wonderful one, and I so enjoyed meeting the other think tankers ... and spending the time sharing, learning, and brainstorming about art teaching.

You'd think as teachers we would do that lots, but sometimes it becomes just a silent conversation within ourselves in the midst of many other pressing activities. Thanks much to you and all the team for inviting me as a fellow. I look forward to staying in touch with you and the other fine people I've met!”

Michelle Illuminato
Alfred University

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Day 1 : Wednesday, June 2

1:00-4:30

Arrival and check-in at the Georgia Center
Conference Registration at the Lamar Dodd School of Art

5:00-5:45

Opening Welcome, Auditorium, Lamar Dodd School of Art

- Address theme
- Articulate goals

6:00-6:50

Introduction to Workshops and Breakout Topics. Light dinner provided.

7:00-8:45

Emerging Educators Showcase: brief presentations on artwork and teaching

Day 2 : Thursday, June 3

7:45-8:45

Light breakfast provided

9:00-11:30

Breakout Orientations

- Emerging Educators' Intensive: Curriculum: Mission to Outcome
- Master Educators/Leaders' Intensive: Roles and Responsibilities

11:45-1:00

Box Lunch and Facilitated discussion, identifying participants' own goals for TT5

1:15-4:00

Emerging educators & high school master educators present assignments.

4:15 to 5:30

Free Time

6:30 to 8:00pm

Reception at Cine' in downtown Athens. This is a wonderful film venue.

Dinner on your own.

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Day 3 : Friday, June 4

7:30-8:30

Breakfast on your own

8:45-9:15

Agenda Update and Plan for Facilitated Discussions

9:15-10:45

Breakout group discussion #1

- A 21st Century Design Foundation
- Cultural, Conceptual, and Historical Frameworks: When, What, How, Why
- Constructing Meaning
- Leading Change
- Entrances and Exits: Curricular Flow from High School to Grad School
- Art, Design and Social Practice as a 21st Century Foundation

11:00-12:15

Initial reports from breakout groups

12:15-1:15

Box lunch provided

1:30-4:30

Panels and workshops

- Pedagogy as Process: Constructing a 2D Design Course
- Drawing Intensive #1
- Using McGyver in the Classroom
- Digital Foundations
- Visual Narrative
- Community-Based Learning
- Design Methods and Meanings
- Administration with Intention

4:45-5:00

Wrap-up

6:00pm to 7:30

Opening Dinner and Reception at the Lamar Dodd School of Art

Dinner on your own.

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Day 4 : Saturday, June 5

7:30-8:30

Breakfast on your own

9:00-9:15

Update agenda and Re-focus Targets

9:30-11:30

Breakout group session #2

11:30-12:45

Buffet lunch provided and Group Photo

1:00-4:00

State of the Art Series: 4-6 presentations, selected from the following:

- Graphic Design (AIGA),
- Ceramics (NSECA),
- Photography (SPE),
- Metalsmithing (SNAG),
- New Media (SIGGRAPH),
- Industrial Design (ID)
- Painting, Printmaking (SGC),
- Sculpture (Tri-States Sculptors)

4:00-4:30

Wrap Up

6:00-7:30

Dinner on your own.

ITT Action Board Meeting

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Day 5 : Sunday, June 6

8:00-9:00

Breakfast on your own

9:00-12:15

Final breakout group presentations

12:30-1:45

Buffet lunch provided.

2:15 & 4:45

ThinkTank5 ends.

Commercial vans leave for airport