

Brooklyn KIDS

Students and Teachers Making Music Together

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Education Through Music (ETM) recently sponsored the 9th Annual Teachers Institute, Musical Connections: Developing Life-long Learners through Music Education, at P.S. 3 in Brooklyn and P.S. 68 in the Bronx. Classroom teachers participated in interactive music sessions that demonstrated teaching techniques to incorporate the joy of making music together with their students. P.S. 3 Principal Kristina Beecher in Brooklyn and P.S. 68 Principal Cheryl Coles in the Bronx hosted the Institutes.

"By studying music as a subject in its own right, students develop skills crucial to their social and cognitive development," said Education Through Music Program Director Peter Pauliks. "We, as educators, teach our students to become life-long learners and lead the charge by our own actions." Workshops focused on the idea that making music as a group teaches students responsibility, teamwork, discipline, understanding and leadership, as transferable skills throughout academic studies.



Classroom teachers present their newfound musical knowledge gained at the 9th Annual Teachers Institute sponsored by Education Through Music at PS 3 in Brooklyn.