

Department: Performing Arts
Course Name: Music in Our World

Course Description:

This quarter-long class develops awareness of how music is utilized in the world we live in. Students will listen to music from around the world in different contexts, from sacred and spiritual music to entertainment and advertising. Additionally, students will create their own music for different purposes.

Content:

Sound Looping
Audio Recording
The Use of Music Throughout the World
Advertising/Jingles
History of Pop Music
Film/Video Game Music

Skills:

Develop an understanding of how-to audio record and layer sounds
Create music for a variety of purposes, including advertising and in film and video games
Identify the history and influences of popular music genres such as jazz, country, rock and roll, rhythm and blues, disco/electronic dance, hip hop, and pop
Understand the style and function of music in different parts of the world, including Latin America, Africa, the Middle East, and Asia

Text and Materials:

Various text and materials will be provided by teachers.

Methods of Instruction:

Individual, partner, and group discussions and work
Teacher directed instruction
Listening Exercises
Music creation assignments utilize GarageBand and other audio recording tools

Methods of Evaluation:

Oral feedback from teacher and peers
Formal written feedback through rubrics
Participation