Classroom Application: KID smART Student Interview Worksheet

Possible Questions for Artists

Your story:

• When did you know you wanted to be an artist?
• Were you a creative kid?
• Do you come from a family or community of artists?
• How long have you been making art?
• How did you become an artist?
• What else are you good at?
• How does your creativity reflect your culture?

Your process and inspiration:

• How do you decide what you are going to make?
• What are your inspirations?
• What are you trying to communicate in your artwork?
• How does your culture influence your artwork?
• How does where you come from influence or inspire your artwork?
• What does the word “adornment” mean to you?
• What do you hope people feel when they buy/wear your artwork?

Relevance:

• What are some important life lessons that the arts can offer?
• Is creativity based on talent or hard work?
• What is the best part about being an artist?
• What is the worst thing about being an artist?
• Can anyone become an artist?
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Organizer ____________________________
• Holds bag and map
• Keeps track of time
• Gets all people interviewed/photographed to sign release

Greeter / Introducer __________________
• Greets the artist
• Tells the artist about our project and why we’re at Jazz Fest
• Says thank you
• Helps group to be kind and respectful

Photo / Video Manager ________________
• Manages camera/video/audio equipment
• Takes turns with others/makes sure everyone has a chance
• Makes sure images are focused/clear
• Makes sure to have:
  o Wide image of artist with their work, smiling
  o Detail images of their work
  o Some audio/video of them speaking

Lead Interviewer ______________________
• Asks thoughtful questions / follow-up questions
• Listens carefully
• Guides conversation
• Uses “Questions for Artists” as a guide