

EDUCATION

Wolf Trap believes in the value of arts for learners of all ages. Wolf Trap Education, a program of Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, reaches nearly 100,000 children, educators and families across the United States and Singapore each year through joyful, active learning through the arts.



WOLF TRAP INSTITUTE FOR EARLY LEARNING THROUGH THE ARTS

Wolf Trap Institute for Early Learning Through the Arts, the flagship education program of Wolf Trap Foundation of the Performing Arts, embraces active learning for children through customized, hands-on professional development for early childhood educators. Through its affiliate network and national office, the Institute works with educators and families across the U.S. and Singapore to deliver professional development and arts experiences both inside and outside of the classroom.

CLASSROOM RESIDENCIES AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS

Through classroom residencies and professional development workshops, Wolf Trap Institute equips early childhood educators with effective arts-integrated teaching and learning strategies, providing them with customized, hands-on teaching strategies that they can apply in their current and future classrooms.

FAMILY INVOLVEMENT WORKSHOPS

Wolf Trap Teaching Artists lead these interactive sessions, providing children and their parents/caregivers an opportunity to share a stimulating live arts experience. Family Involvement Workshops give parents/caregivers a glimpse into how the arts can enhance their child's learning, as well as arts-integrated activities and strategies they can use at home.

AFFILIATES

The Institute replicates its model at the local level through affiliate organizations, customizing strategies and best practices to meet the needs of each school and classroom. Wolf Trap affiliates include a mix of arts education organizations, theaters, and performing arts centers—all dedicated to arts in education.

CHILDREN'S THEATRE-IN-THE-WOODS



Across the Meadow from the Filene Center, tucked in the woods of Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts sits Children's Theatre-in-the-Woods. The 700-seat, open air venue, in partnership with the National Park Service, provides the perfect backdrop for an unforgettable and diverse collection of family-friendly performances featuring puppetry, dance, music, and storytelling. All shows are about an hour long and are perfect for children ages 2 and up.

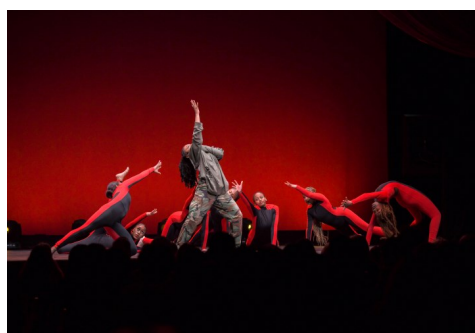
INTERNSHIPS AND APPRENTICESHIPS

Wolf Trap's nationally recognized Internship and Apprenticeship Program gives budding professionals a competitive edge—whether they seek jobs in the arts or any other field. Employers are looking for college graduates who can hit the ground running and Wolf Trap internships and apprenticeships provide fundamental skills and specialized training in specific disciplines—from technical theater and arts management to fundraising, accounting, and special events.

By offering diversity initiatives, Wolf Trap is recognizing the importance of eliminating barriers of entry for programs that set-up students for success in their careers. The Economic Diversity Initiative offers housing and transportation stipends and the Multicultural Diversity Initiative provides additional professional development opportunities to those that opt into the program.



GRANTS FOR PERFORMING ARTS TEACHERS



Wolf Trap provides grants to select outstanding public school music, dance, and theater teachers, who are working to bring new and exciting performing arts experiences to their students. These grants honor the exceptional instruction and performance achievements of public high school and middle school teachers in Washington, DC, Maryland, and Virginia. Grantees and their students are invited to Wolf Trap in the spring for a day of learning that concludes with students performances at The Barns at Wolf Trap followed by a reception.