

Observation Protocol for student programs

		Observer:	Date:
School:	Grade:	Teacher:	# of Students:
Program:		_ Facilitator:	
# of Visits in program:	Today's visit is #:		

Program Logistics	Yes	No	Observer Notes
1. Has the Teaching Artist			
brought all of the			
promised materials?			
2. Has the School			
provided all of the			
required materials?			
3. Does the space/set up			
match the description?			
4. Is the length of the			
program visit as			
promised?			

Guided Looking - General	Observer Notes		
5. Are the program	□YES	□NO	
objectives clear?			
6. Describe how the			
session begins: (what			
exactly was said by			
teaching artist, student			
interactions, teacher's			
roles)			
7. Was Hartford Performs	□YES	□NO	
mentioned?			
8. Describe the hands-on			
component of the			
program.			
9. How much of the time			
is spent on instruction vs.	25% I	50% I	75% I
student participation?	75% P	50% P	25% P
10. Based on the program			
description, was the			
observed program what			
was expected?			

Guided Looking - Artist			Observer Notes
11. Did the teaching artist establish classroom norms? (If yes, what are they?)	□YES	□NO	
12. Describe role of the teaching artist during the hands-on activity.		I	
13. Did the teaching artist ask open-ended questions? (not just Y/N)	□YES	□NO	
14. Did the teaching artist respectfully communicate with the students?	□YES	□NO	
15. Did the teaching artist respectfully communicate with the teacher(s)?	□YES	□NO	

Guided Looking - Teachers	Observer Notes		
16. Was the classroom teacher present for the entire visit?	□YES	□NO	
17. Were there other adults in the room? (If yes, describe their role.)	□YES	□NO	
18. Did the teacherprovide classroommanagement support?(If yes, describe.)	□YES	□NO	
19. Did the teacher participate in all program activities?	□YES	□NO	

Guided Looking - Students	Observer Notes		
20. Do the students appear excited or interested in this program?	□YES	□NO	
21. Did all students participate in the activities?	□YES	□NO	

Debrief with teachers after the program (interview format)

Guided Looking – Teachers			Observer Notes
20. Question: What parts of the lesson were particularly effective and why?	□YES	□NO	
21. What concepts did you see the students gain through this lesson?	□YES	□NO	
 22. How did this lesson demonstrate arts integration? a. What did the students learn about drama? b. What reading comprehensions/literacy skills did they gain? c. How did the learning in each subject extend the learning in the other? 			
What student responses surprised you?			
What did you learn from observing this lesson that will be helpful to you when you try it with your own students? What questions, comments or concerns			
do you have about the lesson?			