# Assessing Making & Learning



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# a very Bubbler approach to assessment...



Activities, projects and & kits designed by artists & librarians



 Tools for "gleaning" or documenting learning



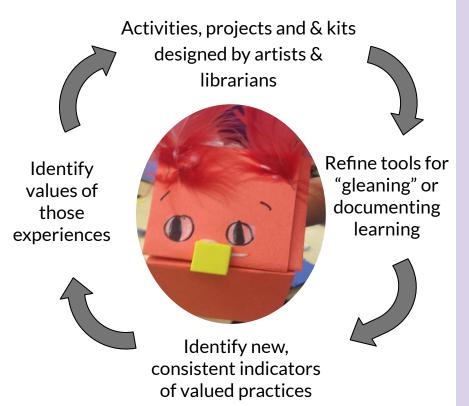
 Consistent indicators of valued practices



 Identify values of those experiences

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### Cycle of practice

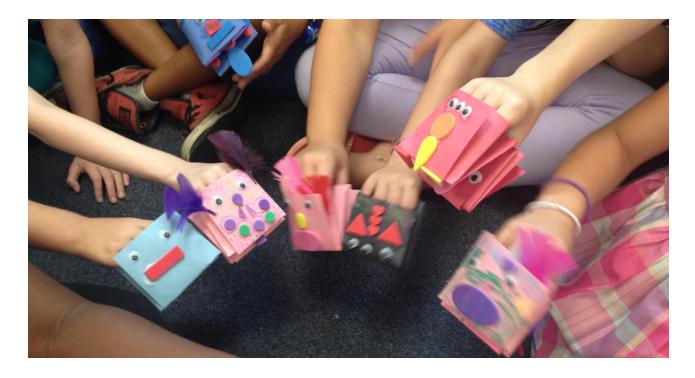




### Let's Bubbler!

- Experience a project from a Bubbler artist
- Engage with documentation tools for your own learning
- Identify indicators of valued practices
- Evaluate how to improve on the process

# Make a Puppet



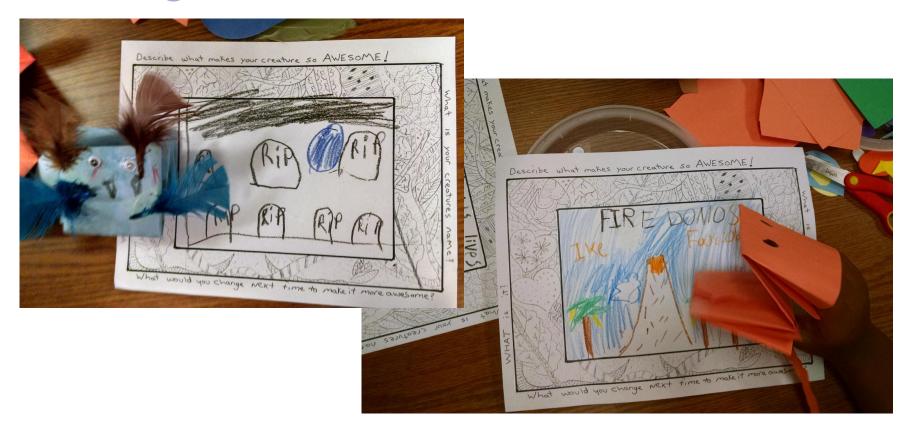




# **Articulating creativity**

- What is your puppet's name?
- What kind it is? What does it do?
- What makes it so awesome?
- If we had time to make another puppet what would you change?

### **Creating Authentic Moments of Reflection**







# Bubbler Patent

Name of creation:

Purpose:

Sketch:



Inventor's signature:

Patent approval by:

# A framework for indicators of learning







### **Learning Dimensions Framework**

Learning Dimension	Indicators	Descriptions of learners' interactions
Engagement	Spending time in Tinkering activities	Play, envision, make, explore materials, try something over and over, etc.
	Displaying motivation or investment through affect or behavior	Show emotions such as joy, pride, disappointment, frustration     Remain after they appear "finished," and start something new
Initiative and Intentionality	Setting one's own goals	State goals or pose problems     Plan steps for future action     Develop unique strategies, tools, objects or outcomes     State intention to continue working outside the Tinkering Studio
	Seeking and responding to feedback	Actively seek out feedback or inspiration from materials/ environment     Anticipate further outcomes     Innovate approaches in response to feedback
	Persisting to achieve goals in the problem space	Persist toward their goal in the face of setbacks or frustration within the problem space     Persist to optimize strategies or solutions
	Taking intellectual risks or showing intellectual courage	Disagree with each other's strategies, solutions, or rationales     Try something while indicating lack of confidence in outcome
Social Scaffolding	Requesting or offering help in solving problems	Request or offer ideas and approaches     Offer tools or materials in service of an idea
	Inspiring new ideas or approaches	Notice, point out, or talk about others' work     Innovate and remix by using or modifying others' ideas or strategies     Leave something of their work behind to share with others
	Physically connecting to others' works	Produce work that physically interacts with other learners' work
Development of Understanding	Expressing a realization through affect or utterances	Show excitement when expressing a realization     Claim to realize or newly make sense of something
	Offering explanations for a strategy, tool or outcome	Offer or refine explanations for a strategy, tool or outcome, possibly by testing and retesting
	Applying knowledge	Connect to prior knowledge, including STEM concepts     Employ what they have learned during their explorations     Complexify by engaging in increasingly complicated and sophisticated work
	Striving to understand	Indicate not knowing (e.g., through surprise, bewilderment, confusion) and remain in the problem space to explore their confusion and build an understanding

### **Documentation**





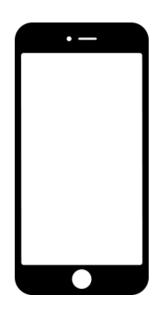
#### Initially -

- A google form for collecting indicators from the field
- Sortable data available as well as type of program (outreach or in the library)

#### Issues -

- Did not have full usability we wanted
  - Hard to use during an activity as interacting
  - Difficult to link photos or audio to moments
  - Unable to track multiple instances
- Challenging to share (with colleagues, but also with stakeholders)

# **Moving forwards**



<u>Data collection app</u> (link no longer active)

<u>Data sorting and reporting</u> (link no longer active)

### Goals

- More usability in usage with tags, instances, and attachments
- Better data of multiple and varying instances
- Accessible to stakeholders for reflection protocols

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