

A YEAR DRAWING:
ART-BASED APPROACHES AS
MINDFULNESS PRACTICES

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WHAT TO EXPECT

Brief introduction/Background:

- Mindfulness Practices in the COE
- Mindfulness research
- Art-based related research

What about you?

Participation throughout the session

My Journey with Arts and Mindfulness Practice



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COE MINDFULNESS PRACTICES (2020)

April - May 2020

Social Connection in Times of Physical Distance

June - October 2020

Fighting Systemic Racism with Compassion
Unpacking Race and Racism
Deepening Awareness of Intersectional Identities
Courage and Vulnerability

February 2021

Facing Our Fears with Kindness and Compassion





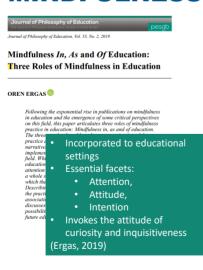
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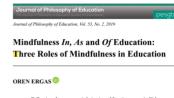




MINDFULNESS

Three Facets of Mindfulness (Bishop et all, 2004; Kabat-Zinn, 2005; Shapiro et al., 2012 as cited in Ergas, 2019)

- Attention sustaining attention to the sensation of the breath
- Attitude foster acceptance of experience, even if it includes inability to sustain attention
- Intention recurrently reestablishing attention and attitude (Intentionally)



Following the exponential rise in publications on mindfulness in education and the emergence of some critical perspectives on this field, his paper articulates three roles of mindfulness practice in education. Mindfulness in, as and of education. The three are developed based on an examination of the practice as it is shaped by two different socio-historical marratures, which in turn mangles in different modulities of the practice as it is shaped by two different socio-historical marratures, which in turn mangles in different modulities of the field is governed by 'mindfulness' to education' in which the comonic-therapeatic interventions, equal attention is given to 'mindfulness as education' as reflected in which the practice radicaltess the ethoss of critical pedagogy. Describing these three roles, the paper introduces readers to the practice itself, offers a framework for understanding its associations with a variety of educational aims, and critically discusses these associations as well as the diverse pedagogical discusses these associations with spractice brings to contemporary and future education.

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MINDFULNESS

Mindfulness and Compassion Meditation: Enhance compassionate responses to suffering (Condon, Desbordes, Miller, & DeSteno, 2013)

 In an experiment, those participants who took part in mindfulness and compassion meditation demonstrated enhanced compassionate behaviors in comparison to those in the control group. Meditation Increases Compassionate Responses to Suffering

Paul Condon¹, Gaëlle Desbordes², Willa B. Miller³, and David DeSteno¹
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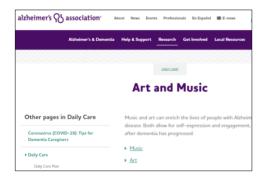
- Meta-analysis 24 studies (Carsley, Khoury, & Heath, 2018)
- Overall, mindfulness interventions were found to be helpful (n = 3977)
- Most significant impact: Interventions late adolescence (15–18)
- Study contributed to:
 - Providing suggestions for future applications of mindfulness in schools.
 - Considering adaptations of mindfulness interventions.
 - Accounting for students' needs across different developmental levels.



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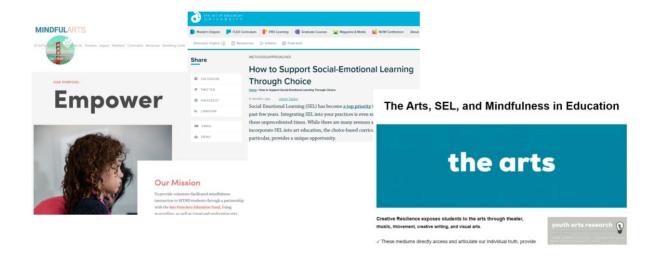








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WHAT ABOUT YOU?



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DAILY DRAWING

Oil Pastel on Paper

Working from home since March 2020

Drawing routine

No intentional focus on mindfulness practices

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FINDING PATTERNS

Examination of past experiences
Revisiting the past
Culture and previous career
No intentional focus on
mindfulness practices
Awareness of drawing as a
"meditative" activity

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FINALLY MINDFULNESS

Watercolor Doodling

Intentional mindfulness activity

Focused on the breath

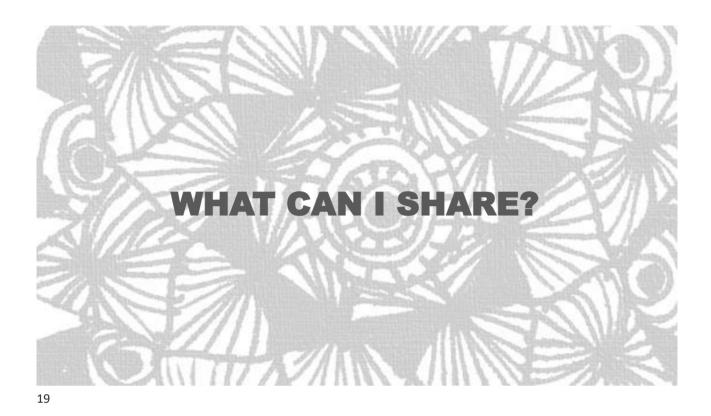
Attention

Attitude

Intention

Writing

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PILOTING PRACTICE

Mindfulness Drawing Flow

December 2020

F2F physically distancing

Masks

Yoga Flow

Subsequent Mindful Drawing Flow



PRACTICE

Mandalas: Mindfulness Drawing Flow

Turn off your camera

Note pad and pencil/pen (Color pencils or crayons are optional)

Brief Body Scan

Drawing practice

- Awareness
- Compassion
- Sense of purpose

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DEBRIEFING

Mindfulness Drawing Flow - Mandalas

Turn on your camera

Share your mandala if you want

How did you do?

How did you connect with this activity in terms of attention, attitude, and intention?

Did you set an intention (e.g., professional, personal) for your mandala?

Did you use words?

Did you use colors?

Did you – at any moment – draw your breath?

What is your takeaway?

RESOURCES

Research:

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RESOURCES

Activities:

Mindful Creative Muse Website: https://mindfulcreativemuse.com/

Mindful Creative Muse YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/c/MindfulCreativeMuse?sub_confirmation=1

Self-Compassion Exercises: https://self-compassion.org/category/exercises/

The Nap Ministry: https://thenapministry.wordpress.com/about/

Books:

CG Jung - Mandala Symbolism (1972)

Ruth King - Mindful of Race: https://ruthking.net

Blog:

Jung Society of Utah: https://jungutah.com/blog/mandalas-symbols-of-the-self-2/

Additional Resources:

UF Arts in Medicine Resources: https://arts.ufl.edu/academics/center-for-arts-in-medicine/research-database/
Journal of Korean Medical Science: https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5852419/
UF Mindfulness: https://mindfulness.ufl.edu/index.php/resources/mindfulness-in-education/





Poll: Rate this session

- o Excellent
- o Good
- Neutral
- Needs Improvement

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