

Teacher Workshops--2015

10 a.m.

Japanese Language and Culture with a Little Sushi on the Side with Dr. Naoko Ozaki

What does it mean when a Japanese speaker says "As for sushi, a little bit..."? The Japanese language is full of hidden, implied meanings. At this interactive workshop, you are invited to join us in discovering the culture of the island country through decoding the language's mystery - with a little sushi on the side! Dr. Ozaki traveled all the way from Japan to share her knowledge and talents with us at the Global Education Center.

12 p.m.

Spanish 101 with Jeimy Vitor and Charlie Gilbert

Need to communicate better with parents and grandparents of your Spanish-speaking students? Join Charlie and Jeimy for a crash course in the Spanish language, taught through a variety of arts-related activities. Experience the rhythm of the language while learning important phrases, key words and cultural norms that will enable you to better communicate with students and their families. This dynamic husband and wife team teach classes in Spanish, Peruvian culinary arts and culture, world percussion and Afro Peruvian dance at the Global Education Center.

2 p.m.

Rhythms of Texture and Tone with Tim Finnegan

Tim is a U.S. veteran and self-taught drummer who discovered his love for music at the tender age of two, banging on his mama's pots and pans. He has taken that early learning experience to a whole new level and will have teachers creating complex rhythmic layers with unusual "instruments" such as bottles, cans, pots and pans as well as traditional instruments from diverse cultures. If you have ever wondered how to create an engaging and fun drum circle with your students, then this is the class for you. Tim recently completed his studies in audio engineering with an internship that brought him to Nashville and is a new addition to the Global Education Center