



YOUTH CREATIVITY SUMMIT



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**Empowering action,
social change and creative practice
in youth across the country**



Where?





Why?

Creativity Matters

**Creative People + Creative Ideas =
Creative Economy**

A watercolor-style illustration of a city skyline at the top of the page. The background is a mix of red, orange, purple, and blue washes. In the foreground, white silhouettes of various buildings and structures are visible, including a prominent dome-shaped building in the center.

Process?

LGBTQQA + Homelessness + Cyber Bulling
+ Peer Pressure + School Violence + Racism
+ Poverty + Depression + Micro-Aggressions
+ Suicide + Rape Culture + Body Positivity =
Mental Health



Youth Planning Council

- Rock Stars: Identified youth from arts organizations around the city
- Bi-weekly planning meetings at National Building Museum
- Interactivity Foundation provided a two – day training for youth on facilitating discussion/dialogue



Creative Connections!

JENGA!

Duck, Duck, Hotel

Exquisite Corpse

Creative Connections!



Inspiring Interludes





Workshops

- **One Common Unity**
Music & Mental Health: Reducing Bullying Through Rap/Song/Poetry
- **Arena Stage: Voices of Now**
Creating Original, Autobiographical Theater for Social Change
- **Project Create**
Art Journaling To Wellness: Explore what it means to "Be You"

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- **City at Peace**
Get Your Spark Back
- **Sexual Minority Youth Assistance League (SMYAL)**
Breaking Ground
- **Split This Rock**
Creative Mindfulness



City at Peace: Get Your Spark Back





SMYAL: Breaking Ground





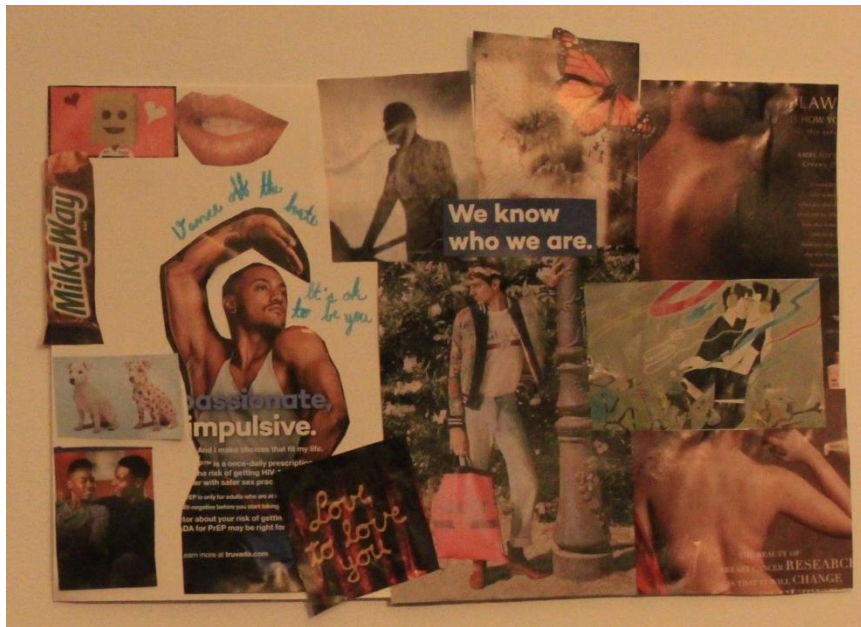
Split This Rock

Creative Mindfulness



End of Day Collage







- Video (TBD)



What did we learn?

Stars and Wishes

- Creativity + Leadership = Civic Engagement
- I Feel the LOVE
- Turn Up and “Turn Up!”
- Youth Planning Council Commitment



Year II

- 8 cities
(including Boston, Detroit and Sacramento)
- 300 students
- Issues to Action