Noctiluca Presents: Musical Haikus Lesson Plan

Target Age: Primary to high school ages.

Prior Learning and Rationale: Noctiluca will use music and poetry as co-operative prompts. We will demonstrate how creativity and self expression can flourish when the lines between the two meet.

KLA (s): The Arts English

Outcomes & Indicators

Students will identify how music and rhythm is related to syllable count of a haiku. Students will contribute to a group haiku that is prompted as a response to a musical example. Students will compose and share individual haikus that are a response to a different musical example.

Whole class objective:

Compose both a group and subsequent individual haiku in response to a musical example.

Resources & Equipment:

- White board
- Haiku worksheets
- Pencils
- Clipboards to put worksheets on
- Word bank of musical terms. E.g. Dynmanics, tempo, texture, mood.

Classroom organisation:

Students will be seated on the floor or at their desks.

Lesson development:

- 1. Greet the class and begin with a musical example.
- 2. Introduce the concept of a haiku. Clarify the structure of the syllables.
- 3. Give each line a different prompt. The first line will be: What did you see? The second line: What did you hear? The final line: How did you feel? Ask people to describe their journey to school that morning.
- 3. Play a musical example. Ask students for examples to the three questions in realation to the music they just heard. Assist with answers that draw from the musical terms word bank.
- 4. Ask for a volunteer to read the group haiku.
- 5. Play another musical example.
- 6. Hand out Haiku worksheets. Prompt students to fill in their individual worksheets, in response to the new musical example. Leave room for drawings and images too.
- 7. Offer the opportunity for students to share their haikus.