



Reaching students in need within
Our communities -- with art.
Youth are our priority, and
Artists are our practitioners...in a
League together.

PDAP ROYAL Program

ROYAL connects Black and Brown artists with youth and young adults -- at schools, in after school programs, at recreation centers and hospitals, in detention centers, at foster homes and domestic violence shelters, or within settings of incarceration – with a variety of art programs and projects.

PDAP teaching artists bring music, dance, theater, visual arts, and writing to young people in a variety of backgrounds to provide culturally relevant experiences to the creative process.

Our teaching artists combine their own experiences as professional artists with lesson plans and curricula to provide youth and young adults with engagement that will be impactful and meaningful to their lives.

Through art engagements youth and young adults will find ways to express their thoughts and feelings creatively.

“This pandemic has dramatically impacted education, particularly among students lacking access to technology, internet connectivity, suitable learning spaces and adult assistance (often even adult supervision). The need for effective interventions to support student learning is beyond pressing. At the same time, a critically important debate around racism has emerged nationwide. While actions for social change may be energizing to some youth, images and stories emerging can also be frightening and even traumatic, especially for children of color. We must support each child’s individual well-being, while also fostering inclusivity and empathy.”
https://teachingartists.com/quarterly_magazine/why-students-need-teaching-artists-more-than-ever/

For more information on ROYAL contact J.A. Jones at pinellasdap@gmail.com.

Pinellas Diaspora Arts Project, Inc. (PDAP) is a framework and collective created by and for Black and Brown Artists with a mission to support, encourage, and promote Black and Brown Arts and Artists in Tampa Bay. Our vision is to build a community of Black and Brown creative producers, artists, and activists, focused on developing and inspiring educational, collaborative, and uplifting engagements for youth and families that encourage health and wellness. Visit <https://pinellasdap.org> and follow us on Instagram and Facebook, @pinellasdap.

