



Contemporary School of Fine Arts Purpose Statement

Purpose:

**The purpose of The MET Worship Contemporary School of Fine Arts is to...
Connect people each day to the real Jesus by developing artists.**

Values Modeled:

UNEXPECTED AUTHENTICITY is demonstrated by:

- 1) Creating teaching moments through contact with each student in either one-on-one instruction or in class environments.

Mark 9:37 "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

Mark 10:14 "But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God.""

1 Timothy 4:12 "Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity."

- 2) Being the hands and feet of Jesus as instructors connect with each of their students.

Matt. 25:35-36 "I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me."

- 3) Instructors sharing their personal testimony with their students as to how God has used them in ministry.

1 Peter 3:15 "But in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you..."

UNSELFISH SERVICE is demonstrated by:

- 1) Investing in the development of talent and skills of the students God has trusted to our care.

1 Chronicles 25:6 "They were all under the direction of their father in the music in the house of the LORD with cymbals, harps, and lyres for the service of the house of God."

Ephesians 4:12 "...to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ."

1 Peter 4:10 "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace."

- 2) Instructors seizing opportunities to set an example for their students by participating in worship opportunities within The MET.

1 Chronicles 25:8 "And they cast lots for their duties, small and great, teacher and pupil alike."

1 Corinthians 1:11 "Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ."

UNDILUTED TRUTH is demonstrated by:

- 1) Unashamedly sharing Christ with each student and family we touch.

Romans 1:16 “For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.”

Philippians 1:20-21 “... as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.”

- 2) Choosing repertoire that glorifies God and points people to Christ and God’s great love for us.

Psalm 33:1-3 “Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!”

1 Peter 2:9 “But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

UNDIVIDED LIVING is demonstrated by:

- 1) Using talents for the Lord in various venues within the body of Christ – Worship Services, Recitals, Mission Opportunities, etc.

Matthew 25:29 “For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away.”

Galatians 6:10 “So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.”

- 2) Instructors being an example to their students in both venues of church and outside of the church.

1 Corinthians 10:31 “So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.”

Ephesians 5:1, 2 “Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Philippians 2:15-16 “...that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain.”

UNAPOLOGETIC EVANGELISM is demonstrated by:

- 1) Seizing opportunities to share the love of Christ with students and their families who come in from our community. This includes tangible (see a physical need and meet it) and intangible (verbally sharing the love of Christ).

Matthew 13:31, 32 “The kingdom of heaven is like a grain of mustard seed that a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is larger than all the garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

Matthew 25:35-36 “I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.”

- 2) Use opportunities of community service – singing or playing in nursing home venues, music programs in local public schools, community park concerts.

Matthew 5:14-16 "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

Mark 9:35 "And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.""

Acts 1:8 "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Strategy articulated:

Of The MET's 4-Step Strategy, the Contemporary School of Fine Arts facilitates the primary venues of Worship, Serve, and Connect. It is our goal that through community outreach, we would be able to facilitate Belong through the venue of Connect.