

DOMAIN 4: GENERAL KNOWLEDGE			
SUB-DOMAIN: CREATIVE ARTS			
UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION			
GOAL 47: CHILDREN DEMONSTRATE UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF CREATIVE ARTS.			
Age Range	Developmental Growth	Child Indicators	Caregiver Strategies
6 to 18 Months	Responds to visual, auditory, and tactile stimulation with kinesthetic and sensory exploration.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Explores pictures, books, or structures that represent dance, music, theatre, and visual arts.</li> <li>▪ Moves to rhythms and songs.</li> <li>▪ Seeks repetition of familiar songs and rhythmic patterns.</li> <li>▪ Responds to changing light, colors, patterns, and textures.</li> <li>▪ Shows interest in tactile experiences that include sand, water, mud, varying temperatures, soft or hard surfaces, and textured surfaces and objects.</li> <li>▪ Shows interest in art materials (e.g. crayons, markers, pens, paints, paper, notebooks).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provide an intentionally planned aesthetic environment.</li> <li>▪ Expose child to music from a variety of cultures and styles (jazz, rock, bluegrass, world beat, Latin, classical).</li> <li>▪ Take exploration walks and take time to point out and examine shapes, color, and light in the immediate environment. Plan plenty of time for children to look and touch.</li> <li>▪ Comment aloud when you see interesting colors, pictures, or a stimulating view.</li> <li>▪ Provide low intensity flashlights in a darkened room for children to see the interplay of light.</li> <li>▪ Provide a variety of cultural images within the child's environment.</li> <li>▪ Model and hold children as you dance and move with the child.</li> <li>▪ Provide daily opportunities for child to work with and explore art materials, including materials from nature and traditional art materials.</li> <li>▪ Offer time and opportunity for children to simply explore art medium without expectation of a finished, discernible picture.</li> </ul>