

LOS ANGELES, CA | 2019

SUMMER INSTITUTE

VISUAL THINKING STRATEGIES



TRAINING

Facilitation, Coaching,
Image Selection

COMMUNITY

Welcome Reception,
Share-Outs, Look Clubs

ENRICHMENT

Local arts & cultural
experiences



July 16-20, 2019 Los Angeles, CA

The VTS Summer Institute is intended to develop and strengthen cultural and professional connections among the Visual Thinking Strategies Community.

Past VTS Summer Institutes:

2013 - Boston, MA
Museum of Fine Arts, Isabella Stewart
Gardner Museum

2014 - Kansas-City, MO
Nelson-Atkins Museum

2017 - Seattle, WA
Seattle Art Museum, Frye Art Museum,
Seattle Aquarium

The VTS Summer Institute is a weeklong program that invites participants to curate their own VTS experience.

Choose a training that meets you where you are in your VTS development and add on two days of VTS Share-Outs.

Enjoy free opportunities for VTS networking and social engagements that highlight the culture of our host city.

HOST INSTITUTIONS

MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART

MOCA Grand
250 S Grand Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Geffen Contemporary at MOCA
152 North Central Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90012
moca.org

CALIFORNIA AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM

600 State Drive
Los Angeles, CA 90037
caamuseum.org

NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

900 W Exposition Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90007
nhm.org



PROGRAM SCHEDULE

**TUES
7/16**

**WED
7/17**

**THURS
7/18**

**FRI
7/19**

**SAT
7/20**

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**VTS COACHING
WORKSHOP II**

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**WELCOME
RECEPTION**

**SHARE-OUT
SESSIONS**

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ALL WORKSHOPS & SHARE-OUTS: 10AM-5PM
WELCOME RECEPTION: 6-7PM

HOTEL PARTNER

KAWADA HOTEL

200 S Hill St
Los Angeles, California 90012
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(213) 621-4455

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VTS IMAGE SELECTION: ART & BEYOND



VTS Image Selection: Art & Beyond

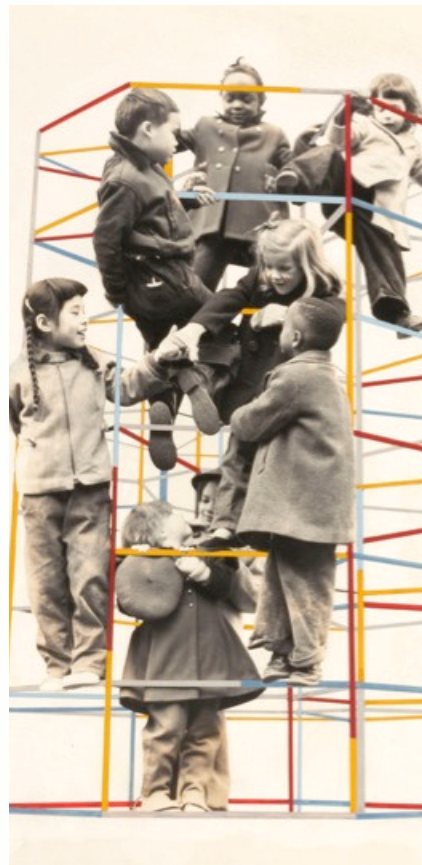
Led by VTS Trainer, Madison Brookshire
& VTS Program Director, Yoon Kang-O'Higgins

Have you ever struggled to choose an art image for VTS discussions? Are you interested in learning how to select images for other subjects?

In this new three-day workshop, participants will study the history, theory, and practice of selecting images for VTS. We will consider how thoughtful, responsible, and broadly diverse image selection supports aesthetic development and other critical thinking skills. The focus will be on the selection of art images with an introduction to the process of choosing non-art images for VTS discussions as well.

Tues/Wed/Thurs
July 16-18, 2019
10am-5pm
CAAM & NHM

VTS BEGINNER PRACTICUM



VTS Beginner Practicum

Led by VTS Trainer, Mirka Jablonski
with VTS Trainer, Raquel Rojas
with VTS Trainer Fellow, Arnel Calamba

The recently refreshed two-day Beginner Practicum focuses on developing VTS facilitation skills through presentation of the basic theoretical tenets of VTS and opportunities to practice with group coaching. As it is the first workshop in our training series, those new to VTS or with minimal experience are welcome.

Wed/Thurs
July 17-18, 2019
10am-5pm
MOCA Grand

VTS COACHING WORKSHOP II



VTS Coaching Workshop II

Led by VTS Trainer, Kim Aziz
with VTS Trainer, Kabir Singh

The new two-day VTS Coaching Workshop II provides more time to practice and to reflect for those who have completed VTS Coaching Workshop I.

VTS Coaching Workshop II offers intensive gallery practice with careful work around both technical and facilitation skills involved in advanced coaching practices. Participants will explore the challenges of coaching more skilled facilitators, practice observation with note-taking, and consider various strategies for successful coaching sessions.

Wed/Thurs
July 17-18, 2019
10am-5pm
The Geffen

WELCOME RECEPTION



VTS Welcome Reception

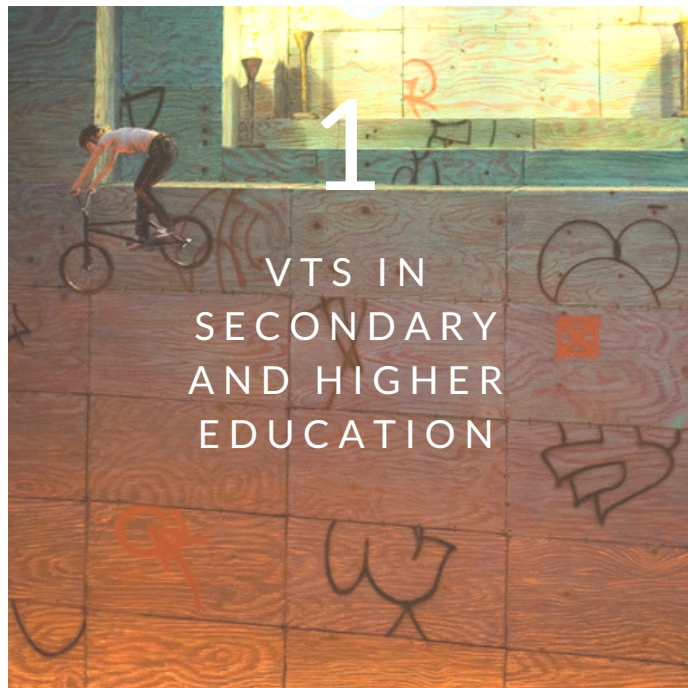
Please join us for the VTS Summer Institute Welcome Reception to help kick-off this incredible week of workshops, share-outs, and social events by joining the VTS Staff and Community for drinks and snacks. All VTS community members and friends are welcome with free RSVP.

Thurs
July 18, 2019
6-7pm

VTS Share-Outs

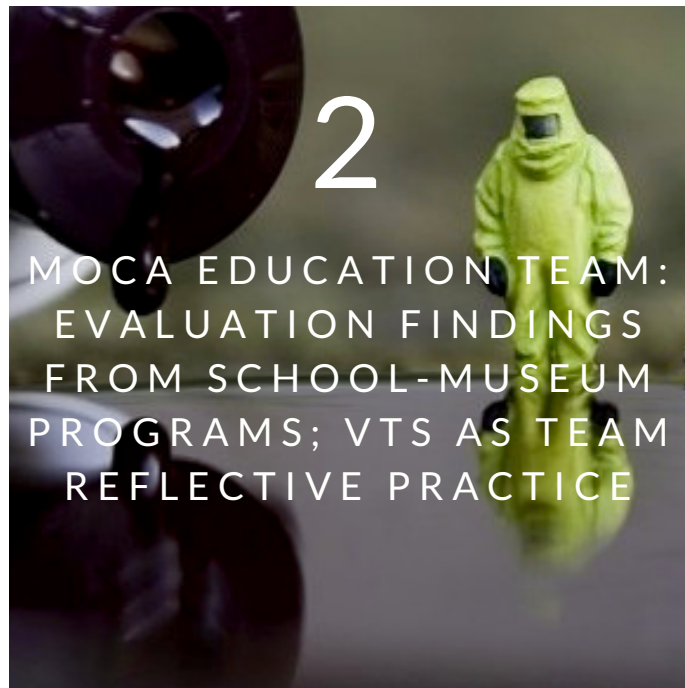
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VTS IN
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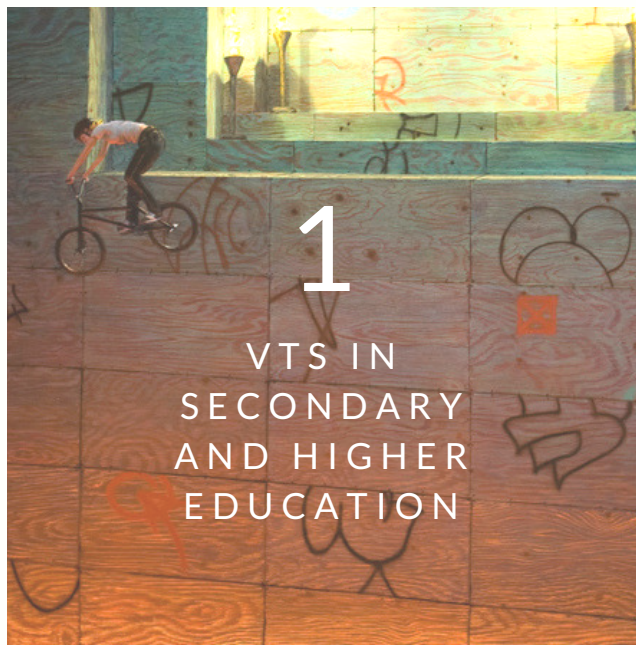
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MOCA EDUCATION TEAM:
EVALUATION FINDINGS
FROM SCHOOL-MUSEUM
PROGRAMS; VTS AS TEAM
REFLECTIVE PRACTICE



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FOCUS ON RACIAL EQUITY:
DECENTERING WHITENESS
IN OUR INSTITUTIONS
AND IN OUR PRACTICE



VTS in Secondary and Higher Education

What does it look like to use VTS in upper grades levels, from high school to undergraduate and graduate level studies? What changes and what remains the same?

Ian Chang will discuss how he uses VTS to support teaching art and literature, Raquel Rojas will address using VTS in art history courses, and Madison Brookshire will discuss using VTS to support critical theory classes and how VTS coaching strategies can support both undergraduate and graduate critiques.

Fri

July 19, 2019

10am-1pm

MOCA Grand

Panelists

Ian Chang

Writer and Humanities Department Chair, Sequoyah High School, CA

Raquel Rojas

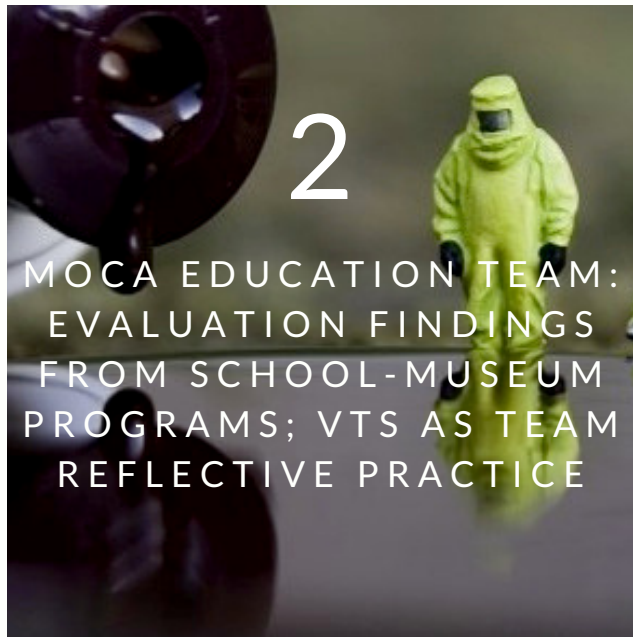
Adjunct Professor at California State University, Los Angeles, VTS Trainer

Madison Brookshire

Visiting Assistant Professor, University of California, Riverside, VTS Trainer

Moderator

Kim Aziz, VTS Trainer



MOCA Education Team: Evaluation Findings from School-Museum Programs; VTS as Team Reflective Practice

The MOCA Education Staff will share the results of a 2-year evaluation project on their school programs, conducted in collaboration with WestEd. The team will share about their staff culture and community practice, rooted in VTS, which informs all of their work.

Fri
July 19, 2019
2:30pm-4:30pm
MOCA Grand

Panelists

Jeanne Hoel

MOCA Associate Director of Education, School & Teacher Programs

**MOCA
Education Team**

Moderator

Raquel Rojas, VTS Trainer & Former MOCA Educator



Focus on Racial Equity: Decentering Whiteness in Our Institutions and in Our Practices

As educators and facilitators, what does decentering whiteness look like in our practice?

All-Day Session

Decentering Whiteness as Educators & Facilitators

Sat

July 20, 2019

10am-1pm

2:30am-4:30pm

MOCA Grand

Group Leaders

Kai Monet

Kabir Singh

MOCA Education Program Manager, Teen & School
VTS Trainer

Kim Aziz

Mirka Jablonski

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