



Open the Circle: Using Music to Foster Diversity & Inclusion

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Music for Diversity & Inclusion - Resources

Articles and online resources

[6 Kindergarten Music Games that Flex Some Serious Mind Muscles - Atlas Mission](#)

[10 Music and Movement Activities to Energize Your Preschooler - Atlas Mission](#)

Barton, Erin E. et al. [We Can All Participate! Adapting Circle Time for Children With Autism](#)

Edge, Nellie. [Printable book versions of traditional nursery rhymes/songs.](#)

Edutopia. [Supporting LGBTQ Students in Elementary School | Edutopia](#)

[Engaging Children in Multicultural Music During Early Childhood - Star Bright Books Blog](#)

Little Songbird: Songs for Learning. [Song Picture Books](#). An ever-growing list of illustrated song lyrics for children.

Manzanarez, Jocelyn. [Musically Minded blog](#). Lots of ideas, tips and free downloadable songs for successful music integration throughout your day.

[Professional Development | GLSEN](#) Free training tools and resources regarding working with students/families in the LGBTQ+ community.

Thane, Esther. [To the Beat of His Own Drum: Why Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders Love Music](#)

Thomforde, Valerie. [Making It Work: Adaptive Techniques - Teaching With Orff](#)

Adaptive music/instruments

[Adaptive Use Musical Instrument app \(AUMI\)](#). Free download for desktop or tablet which enables anyone to use the tip of their nose as a "mouse" that moves the cursor to create different sounds and music.

[Daniel's Music Foundation](#). Register for free music and movement activity videos that model various ways to engage children of all ages and abilities in inclusive musical activities.

[Enabling Devices](#). A wide array of electronic switches that enable nearly any person with a physical disability to create music with a simple touch or pressure.

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[Eyeharp Adaptive Instrument](#). With any level of music experience and a computer mouse or [eye-tracker](#), anyone can play the sound of a piano for free! (Or for around \$150/yr you may receive 20+ other instrumental sounds). This works for individual players and can be played along with other singers/musicians.

Judd, Ryan. [Adapting Musical Rhythm Instruments for Access for All](#). Short video demonstration for simple DIY instruments and ideas.

[Products – EazyHold](#) silicone adaptive cuffs (grippers)

[Toy Doctor](#) custom designs adaptive instruments.

[West Music](#) carries adaptive instruments for classroom use.

Books

[Booklists - Social Justice Books](#)

[Guide for Selecting Anti-Bias Children's Books](#) (Social Justice Books - formerly Teaching for Change)

Cooperative Children's Book Center, Univ. of WI. [CCBC-Recommended Book Search](#) This provides a book database for *recommended* books published from 2018-present. Searchable by title, author/illustrator, author's/illustrator's religion, gender or sexual identity, ethnicity, and/or handicap, as well as those of the main characters. While you can search most titles, if a book does not come up in the search it is because it does not meet the cultural accuracy/appropriateness standards and is *not recommended*.

Hammill, Elizabeth. **Over the Hills and Far Away: A Treasury of Nursery Rhymes from Around the World**

[Hijabi Librarians' Guide to Evaluating Muslims in KidLit](#)

[Latinxs in Kid Lit](#) A review guide to current books.

[AAPI children's book rubric](#) - guidelines for selecting culturally appropriate books about Asian American/Pacific Islanders (AAPI)

[American Indian Library Assn award winners](#) - culturally appropriate books endorsed by the American Indian Library Assn.

Sehgal, Kabir. **Mother Goose Goes to India. Traditional nursery rhymes with key words replaced with Hindi words.**

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Multicultural Instruments & Music Sources

[All Around This World](#) An incredible source for authentic music from around the world (except the US) including videos of cultural dances and music, details about each country, and lesson plans.

[Becker's School Supplies](#) - multicultural instruments, music

Calem, Joanie. ["Open the Circle"](#) by Ted Warmbrand & Frank Hernandez. (Song used in webinar)

[Curriculum-Based Albums & Classroom Musicals](#) Especially **Life Skills & Yes I Can!**

[Hand Percussion Music in Motion](#) - instruments

LaBella, Margie. [Compilation Albums | music therapy tunes](#)

[LGBTQ-Inclusive Songs for Kids - Mombian](#) Curated music videos for children of all ages.

[Mama Lisa's World of International Music & Culture](#) - folk songs, chants and rhymes from around the world

Munroe, Lindsay with Raffi. [I Am Kind: Songs for Unique Kids \(CD\)](#)

Mayer, Lauren. [Curriculum Rocks! Shop -](#)

[Putumayo Kids World Playground CD | Becker's School Supplies](#) - all Putumayo Kids albums

[www.RadioGarden.com](#) A free app that allows you to listen to radio stations from around the globe

[Award Winning Smithsonian Folkways Recordings for Children](#)

[Trans & Nonbinary Kids Mix | Ants on a Log and Friends](#) Free album of children's songs from various genres celebrating all types of diversity and positive self-image with a focus on LGBTQ+. Artists are a mixture of those in the LGBTQ+ community and others.



Circle Time/ Music & Movement Planner



Date:

Theme:

Next time...

Gathering song:

Welcome song:

Hook:

Book/Interactive Chart:

Fingerplay:

Gross Motor Movement/Dance:

Song/Fingerplay (low & slow activity):

Materials (theme-related items, props, instruments, felt board, interactive chart, book, puppets, markers, etc):

