

Joyful Noise Music Classes February 2012



This month in music we are celebrating the rich cultural heritage of Africa through African dance, percussion and storytelling, and Afro-Cuban music. We will also be learning songs about Martin Luther King J.R., hearing from several famous African-American jazz artists, and learning to recite the beautiful poem, "Bouquet" by Langston Hughes, with movements. My hope is that by the end of February, we will have it memorized!

BOUQUET

Gather quickly
Out of darkness
All the songs you know
And throw them at the sun
Before they melt
Like snow

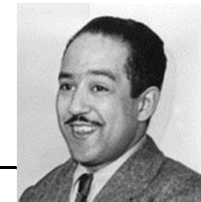
Langston Hughes

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"Bouquet" by Langston Hughes

Learning to recite this beautiful poem with movements



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African Storytelling

Myths, legends and music

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Songs for Dr. King

And music from jazz greats like Duke Ellington and Billie Holiday



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The Kalimba

We'll learn about the Kalimba (or "thumb piano") and explore my home made version. Also, we will be viewing and experimenting with some AfroCuban drum and music styles today!

Have we not all one father? Has not one God created us?

-Malachi 2.10