

MINI AURORA SYMPHONY

Lesson Summary:

Students use a variety of instruments to perform a Mini Aurora Symphony to musically represent the nighttime progression of the aurora. The musical representation of elements in nature is a common theme in Native Alaskan and Native American dancing.

Objectives:

The student will:

- use music to represent shapes and other visual images; and
- discover that Native Elders and other Native dance groups use music to represent occurrences in nature.

GLEs Addressed:

This lesson does not address Science GLEs.

Search Terms:

- sand blocks
- tambourine
- cymbals
- triangle
- quiet arcs
- rayed bands
- patches
- long aurora rays
- music
- Native Alaskan
- Native American
- aurora
- Northern Lights