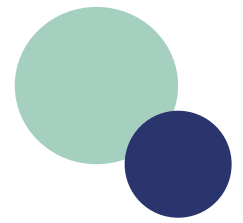




# WE MOVE TOGETHER!

## EXTENSIONS FOR CLASSROOMS



LITTLE UPRISINGS + THE GOTTABEES =

A PLAY FOR CHANGE PROJECT

Students journeyed to the bottom of the sea during their Play for Change and explored the book *Swimmy*, by Leo Lionni -- a classic tale for young children about the power of organizing. Students practiced organizing through movement, puppetry and a march through the school. Ask your child what “We Move Together!” means and how they used it to *Play for Change*.



Guided by Tanya and Bonnie, participants were led through a playful movement warm-up followed by acting out the book *Swimmy*. After discussing the themes of the book, participants created their own paper fish puppets and organized for a march through their community space.



**Read & Discuss another great book about organizing – *Click, Clack, Moo* by Doreen Cronin:**

**Question Prompts:**

- What did the cows want? Why?
- The farmer was treating the cows “unfairly.” Have you ever had something unfair happen?
- What did you do to make it more fair?
- Do you remember how *Swimmy* organized?
- How do the cows organize for change?

**Continue the *We Move Together* conversation with these classroom prompts:**

*Our neighborhoods and communities are amazing!*

- Name one thing you like about your community.

*But also, there are situations in which our communities are unfair.*

- What is something about your community you would like to change to make it fair for everyone?
- How do you think change happens?
- What special gifts do you have inside to create the change you want to see?
- We cannot make change in the world alone. Who can you create change with?

# ABOUT PLAY FOR CHANGE



*Play for Change*, led by Tanya Nixon-Silberg (Little Uprisings) & Bonnie Duncan (The Gottabees), are immersive theatrical experiences for families featuring puppetry, live music and art-making to talk about power, joy and liberation. Tanya and Bonnie bring their expertise as educators for racial justice and theater makers for young audiences to empower youth to imagine themselves as change makers, to practice being change makers, and to ultimately be the change makers.

**Play for Change is designed to support and inspire resilience, agency, advocacy, and change. It is our goal that every participant leave our experiences filled with joy and equipped with the language and tools for speaking out and fighting injustice.**

## Other Play for Change Programming Available!



- \* School-based workshops & residencies
- \* Teacher Professional Development workshops & residencies
- \* Racial justice & theater workshops for children & families
- \* Interactive community art making experiences

*liberation through joy & play*

### A Note From Tanya and Bonnie

*"This project has grown out of our shared love of building community through art and action; our deep respect and trust of children's perspectives and voices; and our friendship as mothers, artists, and educators. We can't wait to share this work with your community!"*

*- Tanya & Bonnie*



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