### Putting the "A" in STEM

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# The Whole-STEAM Learner

Mindful & Aware Introspective Study & Caring & Learn Compassionate Art & Cognitive Affective **Beauty Insight Wisdom Desire to** Concentrated Learn Attention and Conative Perseverance Copyright © 2015 IEES Given this understanding then pose the question: What is the best approach to prepare workforce for the New GREEN (STEM/STEAM) Economy?

What if Schools are thought of as a "Business"

What if Students are thought of as "Workers"

Then Students would see themselves as going to work at a business<sub>1</sub>

# What's in a box?

Perception and Perspective

The Object and the Observer



Reference: Retrieved from <a href="https://homeinabox.blogspot.com">homeinabox.blogspot.com</a>

Points
Lines
Area
Volume

### All tools of the artist

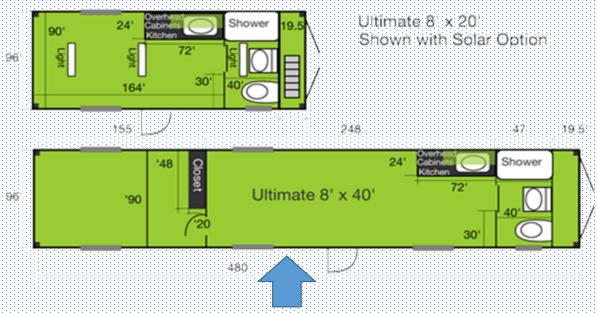
Form
Structure
Patterns
Balance
Harmony

STEM Artist with Insight



References: Retrieved from www.prefabcontainerhomes.org

### Create Sustainable Energy & Eco-Art Learning Labs Learn – Think - Create



#### **Global Portable Buildings**

http://www.globalportablebuildings.com/

The All Terrain Cabin (ATC) By BARK. Small scaled prefab shipping container green home architecture design:



# Team China Tongji University Entry U.S. Department of Energy's 2011 Solar Decathlon



### What else do you see?





### STEM + Art = STEAM

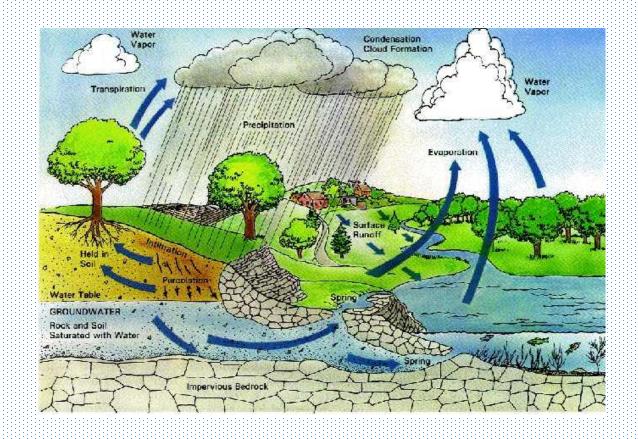




### STEAM Examples: Water Catchment and Harvesting



Rainwater capture and storage system at the Monterrey Institute of Technology and Higher Education, Mexico City.



Reference: Retrieved from www.yocl.co.in

## Students "make things" of beauty and art, and by doing so, gain knowledge and skills in STEM/STEAM learning





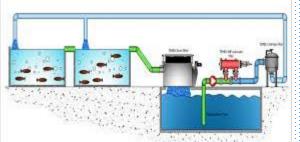
References: <u>www.dreamstime.com</u>; <u>www.kahrl.com</u>

### Learn Sustainable Aquaculture and Food Sciences for Small Business Enterprises













### Create Functional Learning Sculptures for Creative Placemaking





References: retrieved from solar tree images at: <a href="mailto:credacg.blogspot.com">credacg.blogspot.com</a>; <a href="mailto:orum.xcitefun.net">orum.xcitefun.net</a>;

### **Old Aeon Adages**

Some may say, "Art like Beauty is in the eye of the beholder"

### Then Behold,

Putting the "A" in STEM is the scholar's challenge, for without, we lack thinkers who cannot create.

Keep in mind that a 21<sup>st</sup> Century workforce must be built with the hearts and minds of STEAM-Drivers.

#### Otherwise,

Without this investment, intellectual capital is squandered; for those who lack in this understanding, cannot differentiate between Truth & Content

References: comparisons of thought from David Bohm On Creativity, the philosopher Adorno and Immanuel Kant, Blog posting at Mindstructures retrieved November 6, 2014

# Creating the STEAM Pipeline for a Sustainable Energy & Environmental Future





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