

Arts Educator: Mike Levin

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Mike Levin has contributed over and above in the area of theater and writing education. Each year he takes his students to theaters all over the US. He has taken them to London, Broadway, and Chicago, just to name a few, and discusses with them in depth what they see. I recently heard him say that this year he has a group of students who are so advanced that he has to prepare three hours for a one hour class just to keep them on their toes. This summer he took a play that one of his students wrote, directed it and performed it at theatrikos with some of his other students. They then took it to the D.C. theater festival and performed it there. He also continues to improve his own skills by writing plays, publishing poetry, earning a masters in writing and acting in plays on a regular basis. Mike Levin deserves recognition for all he has done for the Flagstaff community and for his students.

From a parent:

"M. Levin has a facebook page...and you can really tell the kind of person he is by the postings of his past students...and current students. Also, as a parent of one of his current students. He...is...off the charts fabulous. I have not seen many as dedicated to his art as he is....it is clear that he want his students to love the arts (all of them-not just theater).

"My son went on a week long trip with him last year to San Fransisco. WAS AMAZING. They went to galleries, the art museum, mural tours, Berkely for a tour, cooking lessons, fed the homeless, opening night at some swanky theater and the san fran ballet."