

Visual Storytelling: Using Photography to Teach English Language Learners

A First Literacy Professional Development Workshop

When: Friday, October 14 & November 4
1:00 – 4:00 pm

Where: First Literacy
160 Boylston Street, 2nd Floor, Boston
(Across from Boston Common)

Workshop Description

This workshop explores the intersection between producing photographic images and language, and how this relationship may be applied to ESOL instruction. Presented are ways that adult learners can develop their ability to express themselves in English, improving their vocabulary, grammar, and writing skills through the construction of written narratives in the context of their own photographs. A variety of approaches to pairing students' personal photographs and storytelling will be considered, including possible themes, English-level considerations, and in and out-of-class activities.

This workshop is interactive, with participants given the opportunity and support to consider how they may use approaches in their programs, with their students.

A commitment to attend both sessions is asked of all participants.

Facilitator

Leonardo Espinosa, currently the Director of Adult Education at Boston Higher Education Resource Center, has more than twenty years of experience as an educator in diverse settings. A non-profit administrator, photographer, and musician, Leonardo has led numerous projects and created curriculum blending the arts, language, and technology for at-risk youth and adult learners.

This workshop is free to staff of all non-profit Greater Boston ABE programs.

To register on-line - [Click Here](#). Workshop registration is also possible from First Literacy's website at www.firstliteracy.org.