

The Power of Music
Overview Video
Transcript

[STUDENTS playing “Ode to Joy”]

VOICEOVER:

***El Sistema* is a transformational music education program, begun in 1975 in Venezuela, that has helped hundreds of thousands of children in poverty envision a brighter future for themselves.**

Music educators in the United States, inspired by their Venezuelan colleagues, have begun to establish programs with a similar mission — to use music as a means to help young people realize their full potential as citizens.

[STUDENTS singing “Shine”]

V/O:

***The Power of Music: P-5 Teaching Inspired by El Sistema* is a multimedia professional development course for music educators. A series of eight half-hour videos, supported by a wealth of online resources, is designed to help teachers understand the *El Sistema* philosophy, infuse its underlying principles into their practice, and implement *Sistema*-inspired strategies with their students.**

[STUDENTS rehearsing *Finlandia*]

V/O:

This video series explores a variety of *Sistema*-inspired programs and practices used by music educators in diverse communities across the U.S.

[STUDENTS playing *The Barber of Seville*]

V/O:

With an archive of strategies and tools aligned with the national standards, the eight course units of *The Power of Music* include both philosophical insight and concrete resources educators can use right away.

[STUDENTS playing paper violins and singing]

V/O:

Music teachers will discover brand-new approaches as well as creative variations on familiar ideas.

[STUDENTS singing with orchestra]

V/O:

***The Power of Music* will be valuable for everyone who teaches music to students from pre-K to grade five.**