

“ART IS A CONVERSATION.”

HOW DO THE ARTS AND CULTURE BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER?

“Art is a conversation. It begins with the artist, who states his or her opinion through a dance, a painting, a film, and so on. We continue the conversation by viewing the work and responding to it—emotionally, viscerally, or even with our own work.”



WHAT IS YOUR VISION OF THE FUTURE OF ARTS IN NEW ORLEANS?

“I hope to see New Orleans continue to be a flagship arts community for America and the world. We have so many cultural offerings here—far more than many much larger cities. I like to think that NOCCA is at least partially responsible for fuelling that abundance.”

Sally Perry

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WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE NEW ORLEANS DISH?

"My Mom's quick and easy Shrimp or Crawfish Creole, a family favorite!"

DORIE'S EASY SHRIMP OR CRAWFISH CREOLE

INGREDIENTS

- 2/3 CUP FLOUR
- 2/3 CUP OIL
- 4 CUPS DICED ONION
- 2 CUPS DICED BELL PEPPER
- 1 CUP DICED CELERY
- 1 TBSP. MINCED GARLIC
- 1 CAN ROTEL TOMATOES
- 1 SMALL CAN TOMATO SAUCE
- 3 TSP. SALT
- 1 TSP. PEPPER
- 1 TSP. CAYENNE
- 2-3 LB. PEELED SHRIMP OR CRAWFISH
- 3 TBSP. PARSLEY
- 2 TBSP. CHOPPED GREEN ONIONS

DIRECTIONS

Make a roux with the flour and oil, cooking to a deep brown (or as dark as you prefer). You can make a roux in the microwave (cook for 2 minutes, stir, then cook 30 seconds at a time, stirring after each, until the desired color) or on the stove top.

Stir in onion, bell pepper, celery and garlic and cook until vegetables are soft.

Add Rotel tomatoes, tomato sauce and seasonings and cook on low for at least 30 minutes.

Add the seafood and cook until tender and cooked through, approximately 5-10 minutes.

Stir in parsley.

Serve over rice and sprinkle with green onions.

Serves 6-8.

The New Orleans Center for Creative Arts (NOCCA) is a world-class educational institution that has been changing the lives of young people since 1973. Every year this professional arts training center provides intensive instruction in dance, media arts, music (classical, jazz, vocal), theatre arts (drama, musical theatre, theatre design), visual arts and creative writing.

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