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This online newsletter from the Arts Learning Department at the Arizona Commission on the Arts intends to provide you with current, important information from the Arts Learning and Teaching Artist fields and to support vital, substantive arts learning throughout the state. We look forward to serving your arts learning interests and needs.

Save the Date for the Joint Arts Education Conference and Southwest Arts Conference



THURSDAY, JULY 29 and FRIDAY, JULY 30, 2010

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The **JOINT ARTS EDUCATION CONFERENCE, Thursday, July 29th**, will examine many aspects of arts education in Arizona, and will engage participants in building a sustainable future for the field of arts education. The conference is designed for art educators, administrators, teaching artists and all those working to provide Arizona students with access to arts education.

Highlights include:

- Unveiling of Arizona Arts Education census results
- National perspectives provided by the keynote and guest speakers
- Networking reception and free museum admission

More information is available at: www.azarts.gov/jaec

Awards

**Governor's Arts Awards
April 19, 2010**

Since 1981, the Governor's Arts Awards have been held to recognize outstanding contributions by Arizona artists, arts organizations, businesses, educators and individuals. The awards honor not only the creative talents of Arizona's diverse arts and cultural community, but the passion of those who support the arts in our schools, our communities and our everyday lives. To purchase tickets or for more information, visit: <http://www.governorsartsawards.org/>

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Community Listening Sessions

Help us chart our agency's course for the next five years, by participating in one of several listening session meetings across our state as part of our 2010-2015 Strategic Planning Process: Building an Artistic Future for Arizona. Event schedule and details available on the Arts Commission's homepage. <http://azarts.gov>

Quicklinks

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Media Coverage

American's for the Arts Announces New Arts Education Programs Manager

<http://www.americansforthearts.org/about-us/staff-bios/local-arts-advancement/tim-mikulski.asp>

U.S. Department of Education Releases Rules for Investing in Innovation (i3) Grants

The i3 program is the second of two high-profile competitive-grant programs funded by the economic-stimulus law. The grants are meant to foster and expand innovative education strategies at the district level.

<http://www2.ed.gov/news/pressreleases/2010/03/03082010.html>

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New Publications

Orchestrating the Media Collage

Being able to read and write multiple forms of media and integrate them into a meaningful whole is the new hallmark of literacy.

<http://www.ascd.org/publications/educational-leadership/mar09/vol66/num06/Orchestrating-the-Media-Collage.aspx>

Arizona Reading Journal

Chant as a Fluency and Comprehension Tool in the Elementary Classroom; Volume XXXVI, Number 1, page 26; by Arizona Commission on the Arts Teaching Artist Roster artist, Cynthia H. Elek

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Current Research

AEP Wire: Doing Well and Doing Good by Doing Art

This study provides important empirical evidence of the significant role that the arts play in preparing young people for success, both in academia and in life.

<http://www.aep-arts.org/files/AEPWireDoingWell.pdf>

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Upcoming Workshops

Drawing From Within: An Exploration of Arts Therapy

April 8, 2010; 6:30 - 7:30PM

Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts

Concepts of art therapy are put into practice during a hands-on workshop that takes a look into your drawings and doodles. The all ages class is lead by therapists Jennifer Rosenfield and Mary Ducharme from the nonprofit organization, Childhelp. The session is held in conjunction with the display, "Healing Expressions," featured in the young@art gallery. Registration is encouraged.

<http://www.azcentral.com/thingstodo/events/Drawing-From-Within-An-Exploration-of-Art-Therapy-938791137782>

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Opportunities

VSA Call for Teaching Artists with Disabilities

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 23, 2010

Send us your feedback! Tell us what you think of the Arts Learning Newsletter, send us a story or suggest something you'd like to see in the next issue. Please feel free to send your comments and requests for content information to artslearningnews@azarts.gov.

VSA recognizes the positive influence of the arts to advance teaching and learning in the classroom. Because a skilled teaching artist can foster creative engagement and help build an inclusive environment, VSA is seeking outstanding teaching artists with disabilities for the Teaching Artist Fellows program.

<http://www.vsarts.org/PreBuilt/showcase/gallery/exhibits/TeachingArtists/index.html>

Arizona Department of Education Arts Assessment Committee Survey

DEADLINE: May 1, 2010

Over the past year, the Arts Assessment Committee, comprised of art, dance, music and theatre teachers, has developed end of course expectations charts based on the Arizona Arts Standards. Drafts of the charts have been posted to the AAC webpage for review and feedback by Arizona arts educators.

<http://www.ade.az.gov/asd/arts/assessmentcommittee/>

FOR STUDENTS:

School to Work Workshop

April 22, 2010

School to Work, an interactive workshop at ASU's Gammage Auditorium, highlighting potential career choices in arts administration for grades 9-12.

<http://asugammage.com/cultural-participation/school-to-work>

Gallery 37 Summer Student Employment Program

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 23, 2010

Gallery 37 is the West Valley Arts Council's award-winning summer job training and arts education program where students are given the opportunity to pool their creative talents to create a permanent piece of public art.

<http://www.wvfac.org/programs/gallery37.html>

8th Annual Sunwise Poster Contest

ENTRY DEADLINE: April 23, 2010

The Arizona Department of Health Services & Arizona Diamondbacks invite you to participate in the 2010 SunWise Sun Safety Poster Contest! Every student who enters the SunWise poster contest receives a beautiful personalized Certificate of Recognition. Winner and winner's teacher (and their families) receive tickets to the D-backs "Be SunWise and Play SunSmart" celebratory baseball game on June 9th at Chase Field. Winner receives on-field award and press coverage, and artwork will be reproduced as professional posters for use in the Health Department's SunWise Program.

<http://www.azdhs.gov/phs/sunwise>

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Resources

Strengthening Partnerships and Building Public Will for Out-of-School Time Programs

An example-filled guide on how city leaders can bring together government, non-profits, business and others to support vibrant after-school, summer and other out-of-school time programming for children.

<http://www.wallacefoundation.org/KnowledgeCenter/Knowledge-Topics/CurrentAreasofFocus/Out-Of-SchoolLearning/Documents/strengthening-partnerships-building-public-will-for-out-of-school-time-programs.pdf>

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Funding

Target Store Grants: Early Childhood Reading and Arts

DEADLINE: April 30, 2010

<http://sites.target.com/site/en/company/page.jsp?contentId=WCMP04-031767>

McCarthy Dressman Education Foundation *Academic Enrichment Grants*

DEADLINE: May 1, 2010

Designed to develop in-class and extra-curricular programs that improve student learning.

<http://www.mccarthydressman.org/academic.html>

PTA Arts Enhancement Grants

DEADLINE: May 3, 2010

The National PTA awards a limited number of matching grants to local PTAs for student-centered programs focused on arts education.

http://www.pta.org/mary_lou_anderson_reflections_arts_enhancement_grants.asp

**Grant Opportunities from the National Endowment for the Arts
Challenge America Fast-Track**

DEADLINE: May 27, 2010

For support, primarily to small and mid-sized organizations, of projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations.

Learning in the Arts for Children and Youth

DEADLINE: June 1, 2010

To advance arts education for children and youth in school-based or community-based settings.

<http://www.nea.gov/grants/apply/Artsed.html>

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