

# arts learning

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## Arts Learning Newsletter

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.

## This Month

### Register Now for the JAEC!

Presented by the Arizona Commission on the Arts and the Arizona Department of Education, the

### 2014 Joint Arts Education Conference:

**Mapping the Future**, will take place at the Phoenix Art Museum on Monday, October 20, 2014.



The Joint Arts Education Conference (JAEC) brings together Arizona's arts learning community for a full day of professional development focused on arts education. How can you support high quality arts education in your school and community? How is arts learning impacted by Arizona's College and Career Ready Standards? What do revisions to Arizona's State Arts Standards look like?

Join your colleagues, along with keynote speakers, John Abodeely, Deputy Director of the President's Committee on the Arts and Humanities and Mary Leuhrsen, Executive Director of The NAMM Foundation, to explore these topics and learn how students, schools and communities can benefit from learning in and through the arts.

Register now for the Early-Bird Registration of just \$95!  
<http://www.azarts.gov/jaec>

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### Arizona's College & Career Ready Standards: Arts Connections and Collaborations Blog Series



Throughout the month of June, the Arts Commission presented a pair of exclusive blog series designed to inspire the creativity of Arizona's educators and to explore the potential for arts integration within these new standards. In the first part of the series, Lynn Tuttle, the Arizona Department of Education's Director of Arts Education, discussed how the Arts Educator could support and enhance English Language Arts & Math curricula, and in the second part Paul Fisher of Arts Integration Solutions explored how English Language Arts and Math educators can strengthen their teaching through Arts Integration. Check out all of the great resources in the series at <http://www.azarts.gov/news-resources/news/arizona-college-readiness-standards/>.

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### Media Coverage

#### School Districts Reinvest in Arts Education

<http://www.npr.org/blogs/ed/2014/06/23/323033486/to-boost-attendance-milwaukee-schools-revive-art-music-and-gym>

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### Professional Development

#### AzDEO Back to School Dance Infusion

**Monday, July 21, 2014, 9am - 3pm**

The Arizona Dance Education Organization is hosting a workshop highlighting new tools and methods for teacher



evaluation in dance. Participants will discuss dance core arts standards, authentic assessments and dance educator evaluation advocacy. The event is free of charge and lunch will be provided. Certificate of hours will be awarded. RSVP to Lynn Monson at [lmonson@cox.net](mailto:lmonson@cox.net) by Wednesday, July 16.

#### VSA Intersections: Arts and Special Education Conference

**July 23-25, 2014**

**Alexandria, VA**

Through innovative and thought-provoking, dynamic and interactive sessions, participants of the 2014 VSA

Conference will explore the intersection of arts education and special education. This conference brings together educators, administrators, researchers, teaching artists, and more interested in improving the arts learning experience for students with disabilities.

<http://tinyurl.com/nr85sov>

### Opportunities

#### **Call for Presenters: 2014 Arizona Out-of-School Time Conference**

**DEADLINE: July 21, 2014**

The Arizona Center for Afterschool Excellence invites proposals for workshops at the 2014 Conference, which will take place November 15, 2014 in Phoenix. Presenters include a range of professionals and experts, providing an array of workshops on topics specific to the needs of out-of-school programming and youth development, and aligned to this year's conference theme, *School's Out, Make It Count: Engaging Youth in Life and Learning*.

<http://azafterschool.org/upcoming-events/professional-development-conference/>



#### **Educator Preview Night**

**August 21, 2014 4:30pm - 6:30pm**

#### **Mesa Arts Center**

Register for the Mesa Arts Center's Educator Preview Night, an opportunity to explore the Mesa Arts Center and a preview of what they will be offering in the new season. This event is free and open to all educators in schools and community centers. Register by email at [outreach@mesaartscenter.com](mailto:outreach@mesaartscenter.com) or by phone at (480) 644-6540.

<http://www.mesaartscenter.com/outreach/outreach-programs/edpreviewnight>

#### **AzDEO College Connections Expo**

**September 20, 2014**

#### **Grand Canyon University**

Arizona Dance Education Organization (AzDEO) is hosting an opportunity for high school students and community college students interested in transferring to a four-year institution to connect and learn about opportunities in dance in Arizona higher education institutions. In addition, higher education institutions may register to market their program and recruit high school students. Registration deadline is September 6th.

<http://azdeo.org/dance/events/college-fair-higher-ed/>

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## Resources

### **Creative Youth Development Resources**

The National Guild for Community Arts Education's Creative Youth Development (CYD) Initiative works to expand the reach and impact of out-of-school time and community programs in arts-, humanities- and science-based youth development.

<http://nationalguild.org/Programs/Key-Initiatives/Creative-Youth-Development.aspx>



### **STEM to STEAM: Resource Roundup**

Whether you are looking for resources related to integrating science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) or infusing arts, design, and humanities to transform STEM into STEAM, this curated compilation of links and resources will help you strategize around different approaches to integrated studies.

<http://www.edutopia.org/stem-to-steam-resources>

### **What You Need To Know About the New National Core Arts Standards**

<http://blog.artsusa.org/2014/06/04/what-you-need-to-know-about-the-new-national-core-arts-standards/>

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## Funding

### **Arizona Humanities Council Grant Information Sessions July 10 and July 21, 2014**

The Arizona Humanities Council (AHC) supports innovative, community-based projects that use humanities disciplines to connect Arizonans to the cultures, peoples and histories of the state and beyond. AHC welcomes proposals from a wide range of nonprofit organizations and will be hosting regular information sessions throughout the fall that are free and open to anyone interested in learning more about AHC and how to write a competitive grant proposal.

<http://www.azhumanities.org/ggrantsoverview.php>



### **Arts Learning Grants - Cycle B DEADLINE: October 2, 2014**

Arts Learning Grants provide matching funds for quality arts learning projects which support lifelong learning in, through and/or about the arts. Projects may provide learning opportunities for participants of any age and can take place in a variety of settings and formats. Schools,

school districts and non-profit social service/community organizations are eligible to apply. Cycle B funds projects taking place between January 1, 2015 and June 30, 2015. Visit the website to download the application guidelines.

<http://www.azarts.gov/grants/organizations-and-schools/guides/>



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