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Arts Learning Newsletter

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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.

Announcing New Common Core & Arts Learning Grants Workshops

Learn how the arts support the Common Core and connect with literacy and numeracy. Delve into the connections and explore how you as arts educators, classroom teachers or teaching artists are a key part of the Common Core solution! In the second half of the workshop, learn about available arts learning funding opportunities from the Arts Commission, including our [newest grant program, Strengthening Schools Through Arts Partnerships](#), an initiative to fund substantial partnerships between Arizona “D” label schools and arts organizations. Presented by Lynn Tuttle, Arizona Department of Education and Alex Nelson, Arizona Commission on the Arts

Workshops will be held from 4-6 pm in the following locations:

Mesa Arts Center, Mesa: Tuesday, March 19
Marshall Magnet Elementary School Library, Flagstaff: Wednesday, March 27
Liberty Elementary School District Office, Buckeye: Thursday, March 28

[Register online now!](#)

Awards

Nominations for Lumies Arts and Business Awards

DEADLINE: March 22, 2013

TPAC seeks nominations for its annual Lumies Arts & Business Awards, celebrating the individuals and organizations that contribute to Southern Arizona's creative vitality.

<http://tinyurl.com/arg5nby>

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New Publications

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POETRY OUT LOUD STATE FINALS



2013 Poetry Out Loud Arizona State Finals

Wednesday, March 20, 7-9 pm
Eight, Arizona PBS
555 N. Central Ave, 6th Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85004

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.

Assessing Creativity

Can creativity be an assessment category? If so, how do you handle it? A recent article from the February Edition of Educational Leadership addresses the question of assessing creativity in student work.

<http://tinyurl.com/alaaljw>

The Art and Craft of Science

Authors Robert and Michelle Root-Bernstein argue that scientific discovery and innovation can depend on engaging more students in the arts, writing: "Arts and crafts develop such skills as observation, visual thinking, the ability to recognize and form patterns, and manipulative ability."

<http://tinyurl.com/cag7eq6>

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Upcoming Workshops

Successfully Including Special Needs Afterschool

April 16, 17, 18 | Flagstaff, Phoenix, Tucson

In this dynamic workshop, Dr. Gale Gorke helps afterschool administrators and staff understand the challenges students with special needs face, and how to make afterschool a welcoming environment where all students are included.

<http://tinyurl.com/aco2rn5>

Arts Integration Across the Curriculum June 19-21, 2013

Are you a classroom teacher or art specialist interested in arts integration and ways to build student engagement in learning? Come to the American School in London Learning Institute this summer for a workshop with Alison Marshall that explores

-Using arts to develop thinking and understanding across disciplines

-Using our surroundings to enrich curriculum and deepen understanding

<http://www.asl.org/page.cfm?p=2012>

AEP 2013 National Forum April 4-5 | Washington, DC

The AEP has announced an exciting line-up for its 2013 National Forum: Arts, Education, and the Next America. Concurrent sessions will draw upon the diverse perspectives of leaders from around the country, and offer tools and insights on model practices in arts education, new research about arts learning, and powerful partnerships across many sectors that are delivering real results to improve the education of American youth.

<http://www.aep-arts.org/events/forum/forum->

[registration/](#)

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Opportunities

Kids Need Instruments -- Ear Candy Can Help

Attention music teachers! Do you need instruments for your students? Ear Candy Charity can help by placing donated instruments in music programs in need.

<http://www.earcandycharity.org/admin/page/Teacher-Instructions.aspx>

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Funding

Arts Commission Grants

DEADLINE: Thursday, March 21

The deadline to submit applications for the 2011-2012 Arizona Commission on the Arts Annual Grant cycle is Thursday, March 21, 2013.

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

Target Arts, Culture & Design in Schools Grants

DEADLINE: April 30, 2013

Target Corporation supports programs that bring the arts to school kids that help expand their horizons and stay on track for a brighter future.

<http://tinyurl.com/cu6addj>

NEA Challenge America Fast-Track Grants

DEADLINE: May 23, 2013

This National Endowment for the Arts sponsored award, established to encourage community engagement with the arts and greater livability within the community through arts, offers support in the amount of \$10,000 to organizations for projects that extend arts to under-served populations whose opportunities to experience the arts are limited by geography, ethnicity, economics, or disability.

<http://tinyurl.com/behhl2l>

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