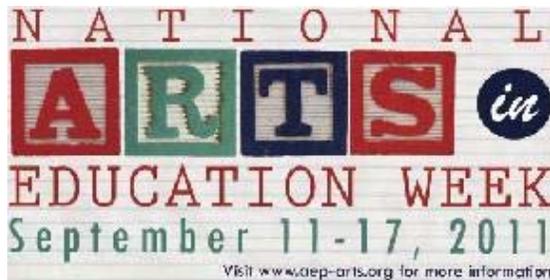


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This online newsletter from the Arts Learning Department at the Arizona Commission on the Arts intends to provide you with current, important information from the Arts Learning and Teaching Artist fields and to support vital, substantive arts learning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

**Celebrate Arts in Education Week!**

In July of 2010 the U.S. House of Representatives passed a resolution designating the second week of September as "Arts in Education Week." Congress designated Arts in Education Week to promote and showcase the immense role arts education has in producing engaged, successful, and college and career-ready students.

The Arizona Commission on the Arts will be blogging during Arts in Education Week, highlighting current arts learning news and resources. We hope you'll tune in to learn more!  
<http://www.azarts.gov/news-resources/news/>

And, for ideas on celebrating Arts in Education Week in your community, visit the websites of the Arts Education Partnership and Americans for the Arts.  
<http://aep-arts.org/artsineducationweek2011.html>  
[http://artsusa.org/networks/arts\\_education/001.asp](http://artsusa.org/networks/arts_education/001.asp)

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**Registration for Arizona Poetry Out Loud Now Open!**

Registration for the 2011-2012 season of Arizona Poetry Out Loud will be open through October 31, 2011.

Poetry Out Loud (POL) is a national poetry recitation contest that provides free classroom materials for teachers and scholarship opportunities for students. POL is open to all Arizona students, grades 9-12. Learn more about POL and register your school online at [www.azarts.gov/pol](http://www.azarts.gov/pol).

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## Arizona Department of Education Announces Student Artwork Competition

The Arizona Department of Education (ADE) invites student artists from throughout Arizona to participate in a student artwork competition designed to celebrate the state's centennial. Two-dimensional student artworks will be on display at ADE buildings in Flagstaff, Phoenix and Tucson, and students may receive cash prizes for winning entries.

Districts and charter holders may submit up to four (4) student artworks for the competition, one per grade level division, by the deadline of November 10, 2011 at 12:00 p.m. Artworks will be accepted at 3 ADE sites in Flagstaff, Tucson and Phoenix, and will be on display at ADE buildings from December through March, 2012. For more information, including guidelines, theme information and submission processes, please see the links below.

Contest Fact Sheet:

<http://www.azarts.gov/wp-content/uploads/2011/09/District-Contest-Fact-Sheet-Final090611.pdf>

Contest Guidelines:

<http://www.azarts.gov/wp-content/uploads/2011/09/Contest-Guidelines-Final090611.pdf>

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## Awards

### NEA National Heritage Fellowships

#### **NOMINATION DEADLINE: October 3, 2011**

To honor and preserve our nation's diverse cultural heritage, the National Endowment for the Arts annually awards up to seven NEA National Heritage Fellowships to master folk and traditional artists. These fellowships recognize lifetime achievement, artistic excellence, and contributions to our nation's traditional arts heritage. Nominees must be worthy of national recognition and have a record of continuing artistic accomplishment. They must be actively participating in their art form, either as practitioners or as teachers. Recipients will be selected on the basis of nominations from the public. Nominations may be for an individual or for a group of individuals (e.g., a duo, but not an incorporated organization).  
<http://www.nea.gov/honors/heritage/nomination.html>

### College Board Awards for Excellence and Innovation in the Arts

#### **APPLICATION DEADLINE: October 15, 2011**

The College Board is now accepting applications for the 2012 College Board Award for Excellence and Innovation in the Arts. This annual award recognizes and celebrates the achievements of six member institutions that have implemented an arts program that promotes student learning and creativity in exemplary and innovative ways. One school from each of the College Board's six regions will be awarded \$3,500 to support the continuation and growth of their arts programs. Of the six finalists, one school will be named the national winner and will be awarded an additional \$1,500. Regional winners will be honored at their respective 2012 College Board Regional Forums; the national winner will also

be honored at the 2012 College Board National Forum.  
<https://artsaward.collegeboard.org/>

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## Upcoming Workshops

### **Looking The Write Way - Integrating Visual Art And Poetry**

**September 15, 2011 | 4:00-7:00pm**

Peoria Unified School District Office  
6330 W. Thunderbird Rd., Glendale, AZ

Cost: \$20

This ASU Gammage Professional Development Workshop for teachers and teaching artists examines a process that teaches students to look, think, feel, inquire, talk, connect and write. Beginning with a work of art, participants discover how to deeply analyze what they see. This analysis becomes a springboard for writing. Descriptive, carefully chosen words and various poetry tools work together to create vivid images that express thoughts and feelings, while synthesizing the work of art.

<http://www.asugammage.com/cultural-participation/professional-development-for-teachers>

### **2011 Arizona Afterschool Conference - The Power of Afterschool: Discovering Each Child's Passion and Potential**

**November 19, 2011, Phoenix Convention Center**

The 19th annual Afterschool Conference hosted by the Arizona Center for Afterschool Excellence, is the only annual statewide professional development conference for afterschool administrators and staff. The conference will feature keynote speaker, Dr. Gale K. Gorke, President of Kids Kan, as well as 36 workshops highlighting new ideas and best practices required for youth development professionals to remain current in the afterschool field.

<http://azafterschool.org/Events/Annual-Conference.aspx>

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## Opportunities

### **Kennedy Center Seeks Local Teams For Partners in Education Program**

**DEADLINE: October 3, 2011**

The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts is accepting applications into its Partners in Education program, which facilitates educational partnerships between arts organizations around the nation and their local school systems. Representatives from these organizations work together as Partnership Teams to establish or expand professional development programs in the arts for teachers. Teams consist of one or two representatives from the arts organization and a representative from a local school system, such as a senior-level administrator responsible for professional development. Teams participate in an Institute that provides models and planning strategies for professional development programs in the arts for teachers. For more information, visit:

[www.kennedy-center.org/education/partners](http://www.kennedy-center.org/education/partners)

**Exhibitor Opportunity: Arizona Humanities Council**

## **Festival**

The Arizona Humanities Council is currently accepting exhibitor applications for the Arizona Humanities Festival: Stories of Us, taking place October 22, 2011 at the Phoenix Civic Space Park. Booth exhibitors will have the opportunity to interact with the many expected attendees, performers, authors and vendors at the event. Early Discount Registration has been extended to September 15, 2011.

<http://www.azhumanities.org/pdf/humanitiesfestival/Exhibitor%20Web%20Brochure.pdf>

## **Exhibitor Opportunity: Arizona Afterschool Conference**

The Arizona Center for Afterschool Excellence is currently accepting exhibitor applications for the 2011 Arizona Afterschool Conference. Showcase your program ideas, field trip ideas or services targeting programs that serve youth ages 5-17 for 500+ afterschool providers and staff.

<http://azafterschool.org/Events/Annual-Conference/2011-Call-for-EXHIBITORS.aspx>

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## **Useful Websites**

### **Online Compendium of Arts Advocacy Toolkits**

The National Performing Arts Convention has compiled an in-depth collection of toolkits for arts advocates. The toolkits include arts resources from advocacy groups throughout the country and abroad. Also included are advocacy toolkits used by nonprofits in other sectors, and a list of useful quotes for arts advocates.

<http://www.performingartsconvention.com/advocacy/id=421>

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## **Funding**

### **Marshall Foundation Grants for Pima County Projects**

**DEADLINE: September 15, 2011**

The Marshall Foundation encourages applications for special projects and/or capital support for: Children and youth programs, Cultural organizations and programs, Education, and Community service organizations. In order to be considered for funding by Marshall Foundation, the organization seeking support must be an established 501(c)(3) Not-For-Profit corporation or a 501(c)(6) and have a project that will take place in Pima County or benefit residents of Pima County, AZ.

<http://www.marshallfoundation.com/grantapply.html>

### **Arizona Artist Project Grants**

**DEADLINE: September 22, 2011**

The Arizona Commission on the Arts announces the launch of the 2011-2012 Artist Project Grant (APG). This distinguished and highly competitive grant supports individual artists of all disciplines and aims to help with project-related costs that allow for research and development of new works of art.

<http://www.azarts.gov/news-resources/news/2012-application-cycle-for-arizona-artist-project-grants-is-now-open/>

### **Target Field Trip Grants**

**DEADLINE: October 3, 2011**

Through the Target Field Trip Grant Program each Target

store will award three field trip grants to K-12 schools nationwide, enabling one in 25 schools throughout the U.S. to send a classroom on a field trip. Registration is open now through October 3, 2011 for trips to be taken between January 1, 2012 and the end of the 2011-2012 academic year (May/June 2012).

[http://sites.target.com/site/en/company/page.jsp?contentId=WCMP04-031880&ref=sr\\_shorturl\\_fieldtrips](http://sites.target.com/site/en/company/page.jsp?contentId=WCMP04-031880&ref=sr_shorturl_fieldtrips)

#### **MAP Fund**

##### **LETTER OF INQUIRY DEADLINE: October 3, 2011**

The MAP Fund provides project-specific funding to playwrights, choreographers, directors, composers and performers experimenting in any performance tradition or discipline.

<http://mapfund.org/>

#### **Surdna Foundation Arts Teachers Fellowship Program**

##### **DEADLINE: November 14, 2011**

The Surdna Foundation invites arts teachers from public arts high schools to apply for funding for artistic development through its Arts Teachers Fellowship Program (SATF).

Eligible schools include specialized public arts high schools, as well as arts-focused, magnet and charter high schools.

The program offers teachers the opportunity to immerse themselves in their own creative work, interact with other professional artists, and stay current with new practices.

Eligible teachers can apply for grants of up to \$5,500 in support of artistic growth, with a complementary grant of \$1,500 provided to each Fellow's school for post-fellowship activities.

<http://www.surdna.org/what-we-fund/thriving-cultures/109.html>

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