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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.

Calling All Teaching Artists!

Apply now for the Arts Commission's Teaching Artist Roster!

The Arizona Commission on the Arts is accepting applications for the 2014-2016 Teaching Artist Roster. The Teaching Artist Roster identifies and promotes high quality Arizona artists in all disciplines who maintain active careers as teaching and professional artists, and have particular expertise in collaborating with communities and schools to deliver arts-based learning programs. If you are a teaching artist, or you have worked with an exceptional teaching artist, we encourage you to apply or share this information.



INTENT TO APPLY DEADLINE: August 29, 2013
APPLICATION DEADLINE: September 19, 2013

<http://www.azarts.gov/arts-learning/teaching-artist-resources/apply-to-the-roster/>

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New Publications

Museums On Call: How Museums are Addressing Health Issues

This new report from the American Alliance of Museums highlights 10 areas where museums are engaged in serving their community's health needs, and is intended to shift public perceptions about what museums do and showcase the ways museums serve their communities.

<http://www.aam-us.org/docs/default-source/advocacy/museums-on-call.pdf?sfvrsn=8>

Engaged and Empowered: The Importance of Arts Education

The most recent issue of the National Endowment for the Arts' quarterly magazine highlights arts education initiatives across the country.

http://arts.gov/about/NEARTS/2013_v1/neaARTS_2013_v1.pdf

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State Budget to Include Additional, One-Time Funding Allocations to the Arizona Commission on the Arts and Arizona State Parks

<http://www.azarts.gov/news-resources/news/state-budget-to-include-additional-one-time-funding-allocations-to-the-arizona-commission-on-the-arts-and-arizona-state-parks/>

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Current Research

Advancing Arts Education through an Expanded School Day

This new report from the National Center on Time and Learning profiles five schools that are strengthening access to arts education as part of a strategy to expand the school day. The report finds that educators at the schools considered arts to be central to their mission, organized the school day to support arts instruction, and saw the arts as improving student engagement. <http://www.timeandlearning.org/artsreport>

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Upcoming Workshops

Poetry in Motion

August 28, 2013 | 4:30pm - 7:30pm

In this workshop, participants learn how to help students express their poems through dance with an integrated approach to language arts. Teachers and teaching artists explore a variety of movement techniques that extend students' ranges of movement choices to express their words and examine ways to improve the quality of students' dance interpretations. This workshop is presented by ASU Gammage and their Kennedy Center for the Arts Partners in Education, Peoria Unified School District and Mesa Public Schools, as part of their series of professional development workshop opportunities for teachers and teaching artists.

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

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Opportunities

Afterschool Conference Call for Presenters

DEADLINE: July 26, 2013

The Arizona Center for Afterschool Excellence is seeking outstanding presenters for Afterschool = Engagement + Enrichment, the 21st Annual Arizona Statewide Afterschool Conference and Awards of Excellence Luncheon on Saturday, November 2, 2013 at the Phoenix Convention Center. Presentations addressing a variety of topics for providers serving K-12 youth afterschool, including art, music, theater, and literacy and reading program activities, will be accepted.

<http://azafterschool.org/CallforPresenters2013.aspx>

Public Review of PreK-8 Draft National Arts Standards

DEADLINE: July 15, 2013

The National Coalition for Core Arts Standards (NCCAS) has released PreK-8 draft arts standards for an online public review through July 15th. Anyone with an interest is welcome to participate in the public review of one or more of the discipline

grade-band drafts in dance, media arts, music, theatre, and visual arts. NCCAS is the coalition of national arts and education organizations and media arts representatives that are developing the 2014 National Core Arts Standards. The new, voluntary grade-by-grade web-based standards are intended to affirm the place of arts education in a balanced core curriculum, support the 21st-century needs of students and teachers, and help ensure that all students are college and career ready.

<http://nccas.wikispaces.com/NCCAS+June+30th+Public+Review>

**Teacher Preview Days
Musical Instrument Museum
July 20 and 21, 2013**

Educators can take an in-depth look at MIM's educational offerings for the 2013–2014 school year during the museum's teacher preview days. Programming will include information about field trips (both docent-led and self-guided tour options), pre- and post-visit curricula and Artist Residency Programs.

Register at:

http://s.zoomerang.com/s/mim2013teacher_preview_days

**Educator Preview Night
Mesa Arts Center
August 22, 2013 : 4:30pm to 6:30pm**

Mesa Arts Center invites teachers of all grade levels to a special event. Preview the Performing Live Season for students, get a sneak peak at Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum Fall shows, meet the Mesa Arts Center team and discover a range of arts and cultural experiences for your classroom. RSVP at 480.644.6540 or outreach@mesaartscenter.com.

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Resources

Arts Integration Handbook

Arts Integration Solutions in Tucson has recently published the first edition of the Arts Integration HANDBOOK. This handbook helps classroom teachers use the arts - visual arts, theater, dance/movement, music and media arts - to create learning experiences in the Common Core subjects, STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics) and life skills such as problem solving, creativity and collaboration.

<http://artsintegration.com/ai-handbook/>

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Funding

ASU Gammage Bus Scholarships

ASU Gammage will continue its bus scholarship program to help fund school field trips to ASU Gammage's Performances for Students. Scholarships will be awarded to statewide Title 1 schools and are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. The bus scholarships are made possible through the Scottsdale Insurance/Nationwide Foundation.

<http://www.asugammage.com/cultural-participation/performances-for-students>

National Endowment for the Arts' Arts Education, School-Based Projects

DEADLINE: August 8, 2013

School-based projects must be directly connected to the school curriculum and instructional program. Activities may take place in or outside of the school building at any time of the day, including after-school and summer enrichment programs formally connected to school curricula. Projects must be based on a curriculum that aligns with either national or state arts education standards and include assessment of participant learning. Guidelines and application instructions for arts education projects that are school-based can be found on the agency's web site.

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

Arizona Commission on the Arts Fast-Track Grants

DEADLINE: August 23, 2013

Professional Development Grants for Individuals (PDG) are designed to assist Arizona artists, arts administrators and arts educators with funding support for participation in professional development and skills-building activities which contribute to significant professional growth. Applicants may request grant support up to \$750. PDGs must be matched by a minimum contribution of 25% of the grant amount. Guidelines will be posted to the Arts Commission's website next week.

<http://www.azarts.gov/grants/fast-track-grants/>

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