

Wednesday, June 9, 2021



AEP Launches New Networking Tool

In support of AEP's goal to connect partners and affiliates with resources and colleagues to grow their work, we've launched **Collaboration Corner**, a new section in ArtsEd Digest to highlight networking opportunities. Consider the Collaboration Corner a centralized location for requesting feedback from arts and education leaders in AEP's network. You will see requests from AEP staff, partners and affiliates in this section. Help us build out Collaboration Corner to connect you with other arts education leaders who can help advance your work. Be sure to review opportunities and respond to your colleagues' requests!

News From Our Partners and Affiliates



Explore Arts and Special Education in Upcoming Online Course

The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts **is offering** an online, self-paced course introducing learners to special education law and practice through the lens of arts education. Available starting on **June 14**, the course will use classroom examples and input from experts in the field from across arts disciplines to offer productive and asset-based approaches for understanding, including and engaging students with disabilities in arts settings. Participants who satisfy all course requirements will receive a letter of completion from the Kennedy Center as evidence of 20 hours of professional development!

National Awards Ceremony Recognizes Student Artists and Writers

The Alliance for Young Artists and Writers will honor the 2021 Scholastic Art and Writing Awards National Medalists on **June 9** at the **Scholastic Awards National Ceremony**. Premiering live on YouTube at **7 p.m. EDT**, viewers will have a chance to see student art and hear from celebrity guests including Oprah Winfrey, Kristen Bell, Tituss Burgess, First Lady Dr. Biden and more. Tune in tonight for this special event.

National Parent Teacher Association Hosts Annual Convention Online

The 2021 National PTA Virtual Convention and Expo, to be held **June 17-26**, is still open for registration. Attendees will have opportunities to connect with PTA

leaders, educators and parents to increase outreach and impact in their school communities. [Explore](#) their website for more information about this professional learning event.

News From The Field



California Humanities Accepting Grant Program Applications

Humanities for All, a California Humanities grant program that supports locally initiated public humanities projects, is **now accepting applications** for its Quick Grants program. Awarded three times a year to small-scale humanities programs and programs taking place within one year from the award date, grant recipients will implement projects grounded in the humanities, show potential to provide high quality humanities learning experiences for participants and audiences, and demonstrate capacity for successful implementation. **Application deadline: June 14!**

University Music School to Host Upcoming Music in Schools Symposium

Join the Yale School of Music for a free, virtual Symposium on Music in Schools on **Wednesday, June 23, from 12:30-4 p.m. EDT**, as they explore music learning ecosystems and the design and implementation of collaborative models that connect all students to music in and out of school. During this symposium, participants will hear from expert panelists about the characteristics of healthy music learning ecosystems, attend a town hall focused on current research and implications of new funding, participate in breakout sessions and network with peers, and be inspired by leaders to deepen and expand your own local music communities. **Register today!**

Chicago Arts Organization Launches Children's Time Capsule Event

Last month, the Chicago Children's Theatre — in partnership with local parents, more than 20 Chicago youth-focused organizations as well as a number of area museums — **launched** Once Upon a Time Capsule. This new citywide public art initiative is intended to encourage as many as 20,000+ Chicago children in grades K-8 to create and submit time capsules this summer. Learn more about this artistic opportunity for young people to tell their story and process their feelings about the past year! **Deadline to submit: Aug. 15.**

International Competition Opens for Student Artists Hong Kong Art Festival

The Hong Kong Society for Education in Art (HKSEA) invites students from across the globe to join their **International and Local Student Mail Art Competition**. Intended to encourage children and youth to create and share mail art, this year's competition theme is "travel" and is part of an exhibition that will be held at Hong Kong City Hall from **Dec. 6-12** during the Hong Kong Visual Arts Education Festival. Judges will award winning submissions to five age groups. Learn more about this unique opportunity to showcase student art. Submissions must be received by **Sept. 30** to be considered!

Collaboration Corner

Connect With Arts Education Colleagues!

Looking for speaker or consultant recommendations with specific expertise? Interested in mentorship or knowledge-sharing on how to launch a specific type of project? It's quick and simple to have a request included in the Collaboration Corner. **Email** AEP Engagement Specialist Erika Hawthorne, and we will add your request in the next Digest.

This Week's Calls for Collaboration:

- [Click here](#) to sign up for a “re-orientation” session with AEP’s engagement specialist to learn more about our services and ways to engage. You can also indicate any [AEP partners](#) you are interested in connecting with and we will invite them to the session.
 - [Click here](#) to submit your idea for an AEP ArtsEd Amplified blog post!
 - **Information Request:** What needs to be considered when aligning content or practice standards across STEM and the arts? What ideas or examples do you have on the alignment between science and arts standards in your states? We want to hear from you! Please [email](#) Mary Dell’Erba with any ideas, resources or examples.
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Convenings

- [League of American Orchestras 76th National Conference](#)
League of American Orchestras, June 7-17, Virtual Event
 - [Americans for the Arts 2021 Annual Convention](#)
Americans for the Arts, June 8-11, Virtual Event
 - [2021 International Thespian Festival](#)
International Thespian Society, June 22-25, Virtual Event
 - [Modern Band Summit | Finding the Groove: Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Through Modern Band](#)
Little Kids Rock, July 14-16, Virtual Event
 - [2021 AATE National Conference](#)
American Alliance for Theatre Education, July 21-25, Virtual Event
 - [2021 NDEO Virtual National Convention](#)
National Dance Education Organization, Oct. 7-10, Virtual Event
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Career Opportunities

- [Development and Communications Manager](#) | The New York International Children's Film Festival, New York, New York
- [Senior Director of Programs and Strategy](#) | American Youth Policy Forum, Washington, D.C.

- **Executive Director** | Jazz Gallery Center for the Arts, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- **Dance Programming Manager** | Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Washington, D.C.
- **Education Program Manager** | Notes in Motion/Amanda Selwyn Dance Theatre, New York, New York
- **Arts and Education Specialist** | SourcePoint, Delaware, Ohio
- **Media Arts Studio Director and Visual Storyteller** | Riverzedge Arts, Woonsocket, Rhode Island
- **Bilingual Outreach and Education Coordinator** | Mission Cultural Center for Latino Arts, San Francisco, California

ArtsEdSearch

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