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Dear Readers,

This month marks the first edition of the *Arts Learning Newsletter* in its new format. In December, we announced that subscribers to the Arts Learning and Teaching Artist Newsletters would receive a merged publication with an updated look. What we discovered over the past couple of months is that many of you subscribe to both newsletters, and the information within is over 75% the same. In an effort to save you from sifting through repeated information, staff at the Arts Commission decided to restructure and deliver the information in one newsletter: the *Arts Learning Newsletter*. Content specific to teaching artists, including funding notices and opportunities, is now integrated with information previously listed in both publications. It is our hope that a streamlined publication will save you time, introduce you to unique opportunities and inspire collaboration.

We look forward to continuing to bring you timely and relevant information and resources each month and we are committed to moving forward together, as a united field that values the connections between all of its stakeholders and recognizes the importance of resource sharing and open dialogue within the entire community.

-Arts Learning Staff at the Arizona Commission on the Arts

Arizona Commission on the Arts FY 11 Guides to Grants Now Available

The 2011 Guides to Grants are now available on the Arts Commission's website at www.azarts.gov/guide.

The Arizona Commission on the Arts' Artist in Residence and Community Enrichment grants provide matching funds for arts learning-based projects taking place July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011. Begin preparing your application now by reviewing the eligible fees and application questions available in the Arts Learning Guide to Grants.

Online applications will open in February; grant applications will be due March 18, 2010.

Media Coverage

President Obama Releases FY 2011 Budget

President Obama proposes small cuts and consolidations to arts programs in the FY 2011 budget request to Congress released yesterday. The budget request includes the nation's cultural agencies and programs, including the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Institute for Museums and Library Services (IMLS), and the Department of Education's Arts in Education program, and calls for a \$6 million decrease for both the NEA and the NEH, as well as the consolidation of the Arts in Education (AIE) program within the Department of Education's new 'Effective Teaching and Learning for Well-Rounded Education' category. Learn more from Americans for the Arts: http://www.artsusa.org/get_involved/advocacy/weekly_headlines/2010.asp

Utah Teachers Create Website to Share Student Art

Two Utah art teachers in different schools use iMac computers and videoconferencing capabilities to share teaching duties. The award-winning teachers also have collaborated on the Web site, theartmachineonline.org, where students can post their own art and view the work of their peers. <http://www.standard.net/topics/featured/2009/12/23/creativityimaginationchurnedoutthroughteachersmachine>

Chiefs Embrace Call for Data Collection for All Core Courses

SEADAE (State Education Agency Directors of Arts Education) released a statement about the call for inclusion of all core subjects in state longitudinal data systems. The recommendation was proposed by the Education Information Management Advisory Consortium (EIMAC) and endorsed by the Board of Directors of the council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO). The SAEDAE data task force was instrumental in bringing forward the issue of non-tested subjects in statewide data collection. For the full press release, visit: <http://www.seadae.org/resources/arts-in-the-news/264-seadae-ccsso-press-release-12-9-2009.html>

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New Publications

Room to Grow: Tapping the After-School Workforce Potential

In this Policy Brief, TASC proposes creating a sequenced, articulated system of professional development for the after-school workforce. The brief documents promising approaches and contains recommendations for leaders in after-school and workforce development. <http://www.tascorp.org/content/document/detail/2818/>

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On the Arizona Commission
on the Arts Website

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<http://azarts.gov>

Quicklinks

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Current Research

America After 3PM

Results and key findings from the nation's most in-depth study of how America's children spend their afternoons. The 2009 report, conducted for the Afterschool Alliance, surveyed nearly 30,000 households across the United States.

<http://afterschoolalliance.org/AA3PM.cfm>

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Opportunities

Arizona State Symbols Traveling Exhibit

For more information and to reserve Arizona's State Symbols for your educational or civic group, at no charge, visit:

http://www.lib.az.us/museum/traveling_exhibits.cfm

FOR STUDENTS

All Kids Can...Create!

DEADLINE: February 5, 2010

Calling all children! VSA arts and CVS Caremark All Kids Can encourage you to share your creativity by submitting artwork to All Kids Can...CREATE!, a national call for children's art. The theme, State of the Art, invites young people with and without disabilities across the United States to explore their environments and discover the roles they play within their communities.

<http://www.vsarts.org/PreBuilt/showcase/gallery/exhibits/calls/AllKidsCan/>

Congressman John Shadegg Invites Participation in *An Artistic Discovery: The Congressional Art Competition*

DEADLINE: March 25, 2010

Each spring, a nation-wide high school arts competition is sponsored by the Members of the U.S. House of Representatives. The Artistic Discovery Contest is an opportunity to recognize and encourage the artistic talent in the nation, as well as in each Congressional District. The Artistic Discovery Contest is open to all high school students. The over-all winner of each district will be displayed for one year in the U.S. Capitol.

For more information, contact Joan Hosey or Bethany Ramsdell at Congressman Shadegg's Phoenix office at (602) 263-5300.

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Resources

Marketing for the Independent Artist

ArtsMarketing.org, the website of the National Arts Marketing Project (NAMP), provides information, tools, and practical ideas to design high-quality, cost-effective marketing programs and strengthen arts organizations. Check out the 2009 NAMP Conference handouts and other resources.

<http://www.artsmarketing.org/conference/attendees>

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Useful Websites

K-12 Online Conference

The K-12 Online Conference invites participation from educators around the world interested in innovative ways Web 2.0 tools and technologies can be used to improve learning. This FREE conference, run by volunteers and open to everyone, took place entirely online for two weeks in December. Presentations by teachers, for teachers, on a variety of Web 2.0 tools are archived on the website or available for download on the K-12 Online Conference podcast page in iTunes.

<http://wiki.k12onlineconference.org/home/for-participants/2009-schedule>

<http://itunes.apple.com/WebObjects/MZStore.woa/wa/browserRedirect?url=itms%253A%252F%252Fitunes.apple.com%252FWebObjects%252FMZStore.woa%252Fwa%252FviewPodcast%253Fid%253D344393394>

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Advocacy

Links and Resources

Advocacy tools, tips and resources from the National Art Education Association.

<http://www.naea-reston.org/advocacy/links-resources>

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Funding

Toolbox for Education Grants for Parent Organizations

DEADLINE: February 12, 2010

Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation funds projects that help parent-teacher groups achieve more for their school.

<http://www.toolboxforeducation.com/>

Federal Grants for Arts in Education Programs

INTENT TO APPLY DEADLINE: February 16, 2010

The U.S. Department of Education's Arts in Education Model Development and Dissemination Program (AEMDD) will offer an estimated 28 awards of approximately \$275,000 each for innovative elementary and middle school arts education initiatives.

<http://www2.ed.gov/programs/artsedmodel/applicant.html>

Phoenix Suns Charities Program Grants

DEADLINE: April 1, 2010

Ranging in size from \$1,000 to \$10,000, Phoenix Suns Charities Program Grants are intended for Arizona non-profit organization whose programs and activities focus on helping children and families maximize their potential.

<http://www.nba.com/suns/charities/grants.html>

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