

COLORADO HAPPENINGS

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Department of Education

Congratulations Teachers of the Arts !

Justin Bankey, Music Teacher for Catcus Valley Elementary in the Garfield School District RE-2, Kelly Jo Smith, English and Drama Teacher, La Junta Jr/Sr High School, East Otero School District R-1, and Kevin Vaughn, Elementary Teacher who now teaches Art at Dolores Elementary, Dolores School District RE-4A were selected to sit on the first ever Commissioner's Teacher Cabinet. More than 170 applications were submitted for approximately 15 cabinet positions. Five more positions were added because of the huge interest. The Commissioner's Teacher Cabinet review panel that selected the finalists was composed of teachers representing all regions of Colorado, both charter and traditional schools, various grade levels, and ethnicities as well as rural, suburban, and urban schools. Candidates' expertise, accomplishments and dedication to Colorado's students were among the many factors the review panel considered to create a diverse and well-rounded cabinet. To see a full list of cabinet members, [click here](#).

Educator Shortage Action Plan Town Hall Series

Please weigh in on the Colorado teacher shortage. The following survey regarding Colorado's ongoing educator shortage action plan. Your responses will be compiled and will be used to develop a detailed action plan to address this growing need. Thank you for your input and assistance. **To take the survey, [click here](#).**



Colorado Creative Industries News

Through grant opportunities, diverse programming and awards & initiatives, Colorado Creative Industries provides financial support and resources for Colorado's thriving creative economy.

Colorado Creative Industries, Colorado's state arts agency, is a Division of the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade. The mission of the Creative Industries Division is to promote, support and expand the creative industries to drive Colorado's economy, grow jobs and enhance our quality of life. Colorado Creative Industries offers grants, awards and resources to support creative organizations in Colorado.

What you need to know about the Arts in Society grant for social justice projects.

Arts in Society is a collaborative grant making program established by Bonfils-Stanton Foundation, Hemera Foundation and Colorado Creative Industries in partnership with RedLine Contemporary Art Center. This program, which launched in August of last year, is designed to build capacity for social practice projects that implement artistic excellence to engage social issues. This program has an expressed mission to foster cross-sector work through the arts and to build capacity for social practice projects that implement artistic excellence to engage social issues in communities across Colorado. For more information, [click here](#).

DEADLINE – August 14, 2017 application process opens – September 11, 2017 – application deadline



AND



Watch for news about the TIGER Music Grant through CDE made possible by grants and donations from the FACE Vocal Band! Applications for this grant will open on or around **September 11, 2017**. This opportunity will provide small grants to applicants to impact classroom/school music programs. Knowing that it is often very difficult for music programs to buy sheet music, risers, and the basics for music instruction, small grants will be award to offset these costs.

For more information or to be put on the mailing list for the grant application, contact Carla Aguilar at [Aguilar c@cde.state.co.us](mailto:c@cde.state.co.us).

**Highlights from Think 360 Arts**

[Applications for this year's CAP Grants will be available September 12, 2017](#)

The Colorado Arts Partnership Grants (CAP Grant) are funded by Think 360 Arts, Colorado Creative Industries, and the National Endowment for the Arts. CAP Grants will support Colorado schools in executing innovation and creativity surrounding their arts in education programs, and they will support Colorado artists and arts education organizations through collaboration with schools. CAP Grants provide Colorado public schools the exclusive opportunity to apply for funding that supplements and supports arts instruction for students during the school day. The CAP Grants will support innovative projects that demonstrate strong collaboration among community arts partners and teachers in order to provide arts instruction to students.

Timeline

- September 12, 2017 Grant Application becomes available
- September 28, 2017 Grant Writing Workshop – Creative Learning Lab
- November 10, 2017 Grant Application deadline
- December 1, 2017 Award Notifications will be sent
- May 18, 2018 Final Report due

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO APPLY: www.Think360Arts.org or contact Jason Diminich at 720-904-8890 x 101

[Think 360 Fundraising Events](#)

Dine out for arts education! Tuesday September 19, 2017 **Fire on the Mountain** at 3801 W. 32nd Ave. Denver 80211 will donate 10% of all sales to Think 360 Arts.

The Think 360 **FULL CIRCLE CELEBRATION** will be held October 11, 2017 at **Howl at the Moon** 1735 19th St. Denver 80202 from 6-8pm. Tickets are \$20 and are available [here](#).



Time is running out!

Register now for the Colorado Thespians Teacher Conference September 21 and 21, 2017 "Building the Future Through Story" at the Brown Palace Hotel in Denver

Theatre Teachers, don't miss the most outstanding networking and educational event of the year designed exclusively for your discipline, the **Colorado Theatre**

Educators Conference. If you have never attended check out our highlight video of the 2015 [Conference](#). The conference is \$125 per person and Graduate credit through UNC is offered or continuing hours certificate. Be sure to check with your administration to see if the cost can be covered by your buildings professional development fund. The registration cost includes an awards dinner and reception at the historical Brown Palace Hotel. A special room block can be booked for your overnight stays. Find out more and register [here](#).



**REGISTER NOW FOR CoDEO's 4th ANNUAL CONFERENCE
September 30 and October 1, 2017**

Education is at the heart of all careers, personal growth and societal transformation. It is one of life's threads that weaves the entire tapestry of our collective experience together. It

cannot be experienced alone but must be shared with others! Join the Colorado Dance Education Organization (CoDEO) this fall for the fourth annual student and teacher conference, an opportunity to learn, celebrate and network with other professionals who believe, just like you, that education is what will lead us to a better future. The two-day conference will be held at Denver School of the Arts, September 30 and October 1. Events will include amazing student and professional company showcases, engaging panel discussions, a wide selection of workshops-both inside and outside of the studio, group movement sessions, performance opportunities, and the unexpected meeting of new friends! For more information and registration, [click here](#).



The Colorado Art Education Association annual conference is November 2-5, 2017 at the lovely Beaver Run Resort in Breckenridge, CO. This year the theme is "It's Always Time for Art". The conference will focus on art making and the processes of making art. We will offer professional development to art educators, information in arts integration, advocacy tools, pedagogy, special needs, and state standards instruction. All Conference workshop hours can be applied toward CDE licensure renewal. Pre-Register Through October 22nd Register and find out more at:

<http://www.caeaco.org>

AMERICAN MUSEUM OF WESTERN ART

THE ANSCHUTZ COLLECTION

SCHOOL TOURS

The American Museum of Western Art—The Anschutz Collection invites schools and educational organizations to join us for FREE on-site tours and activities. We would love for your

students and educators to visit for a tour of the art, history, and architecture at AMWA. [Please download our school tour request form for more information.](#) American Museum of Western Art – The Anschutz Collection - 1727 Tremont Place, Denver, Colorado 80202 (303)293-2000



THE ROBERT AND JUDI
**NEWMAN
CENTER**
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2017/2018 NEW STUDENT MATINEE SERIES

The Student Matinee Series features school day performances for students and teachers presented at the Robert and Judi Newman Center for the Performing Arts on the campus of the University of Denver. Perfect for field trips, we're offering the **five special performances** specifically tailored for student audiences. Each performance will include study guides tied to the Colorado Academic Standards and 21st Century Skills with easy-to-implement mini-lessons before and after the show. Tickets are \$4 per student; teachers and chaperones are free! (restrictions apply)

- Hour-long performances during the school day.
- Easy bus parking.
- Connects students to culturally diverse programming from around the world.
- Public, private and charter school and homeschool groups are welcome to reserve tickets (not open to the general public).

[Click here](#) to request your tickets today.

For more information, contact us at nc.learning@du.edu or 303.871.7720



**METROPOLITAN
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Exhibitions, Tours, and Events

Visit the CVA to see spectacular exhibitions during First and Third Friday art walks, public [events](#) and programs for youth and families. Immersive tours and hands-on workshops for students, educators, families and community groups encourage curiosity, playfulness and creativity. Please [register](#) to bring a community group or class to

visit our gallery.



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COLORADO**

The Galleries' [exhibition program](#) embraces curatorial risk-taking, highlighting socially relevant topics that feature regional, national and international artists. [The Visiting Artist Program](#) welcomes experts from around the country to Greeley for one-day campus visits or week-long "micro-residencies." The program offers unique opportunities for firsthand discussion with artists, curators, and scholars to provide a closer look at how creative professionals live and work. Visitors present their work in a public lecture and are integrated into the curriculum through targeted, intentional classroom visits, individual student critiques and collaborative workshops. Stay up to date on all our exhibitions & public programs: <http://arts.unco.edu/art/galleries/> Interested in a tour or class visit? Email galleries@unco.edu to schedule a visit!

The Young Artist Studio opens on August 29th!

Free hands-on workshops for youth ages 11-21

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3:30-5:30 pm *(New days and times)*

An inclusive and diverse community, we welcome youth from throughout the metro area who are interested in learning a variety of media and exploring contemporary themes through art. In the Studio we practice the skills and self-efficacy of creative leaders and encourage each other to make great original work. Exhibitions at the CVA inspire the themes, media and cultures explored in the workshops. For more information or to [register](#).



SCIENCE & CULTURAL COLLABORATIVE (SCC)

The Scientific & Cultural Collaborative (SCC) is a non-profit organization comprised of cultural organizations funded by the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD), a cultural tax in the 7-county area that funds over 300 organizations. SCC utilizes membership fees from Tier I and Tier II SCFD organizations to provide services to the

members and larger community.

The purpose of the SCC is to enhance scientific and cultural opportunities for the public through collaboration and synergy. Since 1994, the SCC members have worked together by investing a portion of their SCFD awards into joint education and public awareness ventures. In essence: *"to do things together that we could not do alone"* through collaboration, regional service, and accessibility. To access the 2017/2018 *Directory of Education Activities for Teachers and Schools*, [click here](#).

National Happenings



REGISTER NOW FOR THE 2017 AEP ANNUAL CONVENING

Registration is now open for the **2017 AEP Annual Convening: The Arts Leading the Way to Student Success** taking place Sept. 6-7 at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C.

Click [here](#) for more information about the 2017 AEP Annual Convening.

The 2017 AEP Annual Convening will explore arts-centered solutions aimed at ensuring America's students have access to a high-quality education in and through the arts by addressing the priority areas outlined in AEP's [2020 Action Agenda](#).

- **Priority Area 1:** Raise Student Achievement and Success.
- **Priority Area 2:** Support Effective Educators and School Leaders.
- **Priority Area 3:** Transform the Teaching and Learning Environment.
- **Priority Area 4:** Build Leadership Capacity and Knowledge.



CHAMPION CREATIVELY ALIVE CHILDREN®

Join the U.S. Department of Education, Crayola, the National Art Education Association, the National Association of Elementary School Principals, and other educators at the Champion Creatively Alive Children event in Washington, D.C.

What: Reading Art Enriches Writing

When: Tuesday, September 26, 2017 from 11:45 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Where: Department of Education Auditorium

Lyndon Baines Johnson Education Building - 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20202

Written and visual literacies both involve decoding meaning and inferring intent. Join the annual Champion Creatively Alive Children® event to explore multi-literacies and use arts integration to deepen understanding of leadership and global diplomacy. [RSVP by Wednesday, September 13.](#) Visit <http://www.crayola.com/DOE> to submit your response.



REGISTER NOW FOR THE 19TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Cultivating Equity and Access: Dance Education For All – Sunday, November 12 to Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at the Hyatt Regency San Antonio, TX. The long multicultural history of Texas and the vibrant culture of San Antonio provide a lively setting to discuss, share, and celebrate our successes and to strategize new initiatives that provide equity and access to dance education for all. A typical NDEO National Conference includes three full days of over 150 workshops, master classes, panel and paper presentations, social events and performances. To view the 2017 Conference schedule (*subject to change*), [click here](#). Click here for [Registration Brochure PDF](#) | [Online Registration](#)



National Honor Society for Dance Arts

The National Honor Society for Dance Arts™ (NHSDA) is a program of the National Dance Education Organization (NDEO), created to recognize outstanding artistic merit, leadership, and academic achievement in students studying dance in public and private schools in K-12 education, dance studios, cultural/community centers, performing arts organizations, and post-secondary education. Establishing an NHSDA chapter in your school is one very important way that you can honor your students and help advance the field of dance education. Any additional questions please email Colorado representative Leslie Williams at: NHSDA@co-deo.org or visit the NHSDA website today. <http://nhsda.clubexpress.com>



[NAEP Arts Compilation Video Now Available](#)

The National Assessment Governing Board (NAGB) has posted a You Tube video that compiles highlights from the four school-based arts programs that were profiled at their April 25 release event at the Kennedy Center for The Nations Report Card: Arts 2016. Please view the video by [clicking here](#). The National Assessment Governing Board is eager for arts stakeholders and communities to watch and share this example of how arts education has changed students' lives. NAGB encourages showing this at any conferences, seminars, or other gatherings that would be a relevant fit. Also, please view their overall arts page that has the original four videos, event webcast, celebrity PSAs, a NAEP contextual arts video, report press release, abridged framework and other materials and resources: <https://www.nagb.org>

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

2017/2018 Arts Education Events/Conferences

We are happy to share your news!!

**Information deadline is the 15th of each month. E-Updates are typically every two months
Aug/Sept, Oct/Nov, Dec/Jan, Feb/Mar, May/ June**

September 21 & 22, 2017	Colorado Thespians Teachers Conference	https://cothespians.com/conferences/teachers/
September 30 & October 1, 2017	4 th Annual CoDEO Conference	http://www.co-deo.org
October 23, 2017	CDE Think Tank	
November 2-5, 2017	Colorado Arts Educators Association	http://www.caeaco.org
December 7-9, 2017	Colorado ThesCon 2017	https://cothespians.com/conferences/thescon/
January 24-27, 2018	Colorado Music Educators Conference	http://www.cmeaonline.org/Home.aspx
February 26, 2018	CDE Think Tank	
April 23, 2018	CDE Think Tank	

Contact:

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to sign up and/or share something, or
Unsubscribe. **Information deadline
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Leveraging Community Partnerships:

Rural Philanthropy Days, the Community Resource Center (Success Strategies for Colorado Nonprofits) is a statewide program that brings skill-building, collaborative, and funding opportunities to nonprofits and community organizations through two annual regional conferences. The next Northwest RPD conference will take place on September 27-29 in Craig. The Northwest region is comprised of Grand, Jackson, Moffat, Rio Blanco and Routt counties.

[Read more](#)