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Research and Support



- [Critical Success Factors](#)
- [The Role of the Arts](#)
- [SupportMusic](#)
U.S. Department of Education Secretary Arne Duncan spoke with the SupportMusic Coalition regarding his letter about the importance of arts education. This site offers links to an audio recording and transcript of the conference call.

Professional Organization

Oregon Professional Organizations

- [Oregon Music Educators Association](#)
- [Oregon Art Education Association](#)
- [Oregon Thespians](#)
- [Oregon Education Association \(OEA\)](#)

National Professional Organizations

- [National Association for Music Education \(MENC\)](#)
- [National Art Education Association](#)
- [Educational Theatre Association](#)
- [American Orff-Schulwerk Association](#)
- [American Music Conference](#)
- [Arts Education Partnership](#)
- [National Endowment for the Arts](#)  

Arts Education Web Sites

Please note that inclusion of the following external web links does not imply endorsement of either the reliability of the information presented or its suitability for a particular age group or grade level.

- [A. Pintura: Art Detective](#)
An art history adventure.
- [African Art Lesson Plans](#)
These resources, from the PBS series Africa, focus on African art, music, and storytelling. Each lesson includes links to many other resources.

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- [Art History Theme Page](#)
Students and teachers will find curricular resources to help them learn about this topic. In addition, there are also links to instructional materials (lesson plans) which will help teachers provide instruction in this theme.
- [Art Safari](#)
An adventure in looking for children and adults.
- [ArtLex Art Dictionary](#)
You'll find definitions for more than 3,600 terms used in discussing art/visual culture, along with thousands of supporting images, pronunciation notes, great quotations, and cross-references.
- [ArtSource](#)
A gathering point for networked resources on Art and Architecture. The content is diverse and includes pointers to resources around the net as well as original materials submitted by librarians, artists, and art historians, etc. This site is intended to be selective, rather than comprehensive.
- [CyberKids](#)
Creative Works: original art, articles, poetry, stories, and multimedia created by kids, plus links to our Young Composers site and some music-related games.
Learning Center: links to some sites where you can get online tutoring, help with homework, and information about scholarships.
- [Imagination Factory](#)
There's no machinery at The Imagination Factory, and smokestacks don't pollute the air. Instead, we teach children and their caregivers creative ways to recycle by making art. Visitors learn dozens of inexpensive ways to create art and crafts as they help save the environment. The lessons and activities include drawing, painting, sculpture, collage, papier-mâché, marbling, and crafts, and a special section for holiday art and crafts is featured.
- [Incredible @rt Department](#)
This site, hosted by Princeton Online, has a wealth of links related to arts education.
- [KinderArt](#)
This site is for school teachers, art educators, after-school program directors, future teachers, college students, artists, homeschoolers, and those who want to enrich their children's artistic lives at home.
- [Michelangelo Buonarroti](#)
Information about the life and work of Michelangelo.
- [MusicKit: The Virtual Music Classroom](#)
Music activities for children and resources for teachers.
- [National Assembly of State Arts Agencies](#)
The National Assembly of State Arts Agencies works to increase participation in the arts in communities across the nation. This site includes links to state arts

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agencies, many of which are involved in innovative approaches to arts education and provide creative alternatives for at-risk youth.

- National Endowment for the Arts
The National Endowment for the Arts is a public agency dedicated to supporting excellence in the arts, both new and established; bringing the arts to all Americans; and providing leadership in arts education.
- National PTA
As the largest volunteer child advocacy association in the nation, National Parent Teacher Association (PTA) reminds our country of its obligations to children and provides parents and families with a powerful voice to speak on behalf of every child while providing the best tools for parents to help their children be successful students.
- New Horizons for Learning
A leading-edge resource for educational change by identifying, communicating, and helping to implement successful educational strategies. New Horizons for Learning's role has always been to give visibility to effective teaching and learning practices and ideas that have not yet reached the mainstream, and to work in coordination with other reputable networks and learning communities. New Horizons for Learning has often been a "launching pad" for new educational organizations and projects.
- Teacher's Guide for the Professional Cartoonist
This is the Teachers' Guide for using the Professional Cartoonists Index web site in your classes. This site provides lesson plans for using the editorial cartoons as a teaching tool in Social Sciences, Art, Journalism, and English at all levels.
- The Art & Creative Materials Institute, Inc.
An international association, composed of a diverse and involved membership, recognized as the leading authority on art and creative materials. Founded in 1936, ACMI was organized to assist its members in providing the public with art and creative materials for children and artists that are non-toxic.
- The Community Discovered
The Community Discovered was a five-year project that linked technology and the arts with other subject areas to transform the education of K-12 students. The focus of this project was to develop constructivist curriculum models of engaged student learning using technology and the resources of the Internet. Conducted by Westside Community Schools in Omaha, Nebraska in conjunction with the Grand Island, Lexington, McCartney, Nebraska City, Omaha, Smallfoot, and Winnebago Public School Districts and a Consortium of Partner Agencies, The Community Discovered project built upon and extended the impact of the Art and Technology Integration (ATI) Project, conducted by Westside Community Schools and the Grand Island Public Schools.

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Visual Art Education Museum Sites

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- [Metropolitan Museum of Art](#)
From discovering a dragon to guessing a detail, there is something fun for everyone to do and learn.
- [Museum of Modern Art](#)
MoMA's Education Department creates programs and materials to foster an engagement with modern and contemporary art for an ever-evolving public. Our mission is to provide visitors with rewarding opportunities for learning in the hope that they will gain a valuable insight into MoMA's collection and the historical and cultural contexts in which these works of art are made.
- [Seattle Art Museum – Growing up with Art](#)
SAM is all new! Drop in to see extensive permanent collections, exciting international exhibitions, and a diverse lineup of programs.
- [Smithsonian American Art Museum](#)
For teachers and students.
- [Vincent van Gogh Information Gallery](#)
The definitive reference for information about the life and work of Vincent van Gogh.
- [The WebMuseum](#)
This site contains a unique set of artwork from various artists.