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Arts Education Connections, June 2024

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ODE Arts Education Updates

Arts Access Toolkit Highlight: Communicating the Benefits of Arts Education

It's almost summer and time for celebrations, performances, art shows and opportunities for students to showcase their arts learning! This time of year is a beautiful opportunity to highlight the story of your arts programs and demonstrate the value they hold for your students and your community. ODE's Arts Access Toolkit Resource, [Communicating the Benefits of Arts Education](#), may come in handy in conversations about the benefits of arts education.



We will be taking a break from Arts Ed Connections next month. Congratulations on another creative year, and please take time to ground in your own creativity and rest this summer - you deserve it, arts educators! Thank you for your invaluable work!

Summer Arts and Culture Events!

Have fun this summer with arts and culture events and festivals in your area. Here are just a few to explore!



- Josephy Center for Arts and Culture | [ArtFest Fridays! Family Fun Free Art Sessions](#) | June 7th, 10am - 3pm | Josephy Center for Arts & Culture 403 N Main St Joseph, OR | Free, donations welcome
- Cascadia Arts Association | [Troutdale Arts Festival](#) | June 7-9 | Downtown Troutdale | Free
- (not a) CULT Productions | [Grant's Pass Pride Festival](#) | June 8th | 1451 Fairgrounds Road, Grants Pass, Oregon | Free - \$50
- Lakewood Center for the Arts | [Lake Oswego 61st Annual Festival of the Arts](#) | June 21st - 23rd | Lakewood Center and George Rogers Park in Lake Oswego |

See site for details

- Ashland Chamber of Commerce | [4th of July Craft Fair](#) | July 4th | Lithia Park, Ashland | Free
- Umpqua Valley Arts | [55th Annual Summer Arts Festival](#) | June 28-30 | Umpqua Valley Arts, Roseburg, Oregon | [See site for details](#)
- Spirit of Gresham | [Festival of Arts in Gresham](#) | July 20 | Downtown Gresham, Oregon | Free
- Tualatin Valley Creates and the City of Hillsboro | [La Strada dei Pastelli Chalk Art Festival](#) | July 20-21 | Hillsboro, Oregon | Free
- Cannon Beach Arts Association & Tolovana Arts Colony | [Cannon Beach Craft Fair](#) | July 27th | Cannon Beach, OR | Free
- Sunriver Women's Club | [2024 Sunriver Art Fair](#) | August 9th, 9am-5pm | [See site for details](#)
- Three Rivers Artists Guild | [Oregon City Festival of the Arts](#) | August 10-11, 9am - 4pm | 1726 Washington Street, Oregon City | Free
- Coos Bay Downtown Association | [Blackberry Arts Festival](#) | August 24-25 | Coos Bay, Oregon | Free
- Art in the Pearl | [Fine Arts & Crafts Festival](#) | August 31 - Sept 2 | Portland | Free

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Arts Ed News, Research, and Resources

Teaching high quality, inclusive, and culturally relevant content through the arts is essential to increase equitable access to arts education for all students.

Please see below for related news and resources that may be relevant to your practice.

News and Research

- [Student artists shine at the Clackamas Education Service District Regional Art Show](#) OregonCity News 4/29/24
- [Ethos Music Center faces uncertain future after 26 years in Portland](#) KGW.com 4/26/24
- [Earthstock gives Portland-area kids with disabilities a chance to dance the day away](#) The Oregonian 5/3/24
- [OSF relaunches school outreach program](#) Jefferson Public Radio 5/8/24
- [Pops Concert will support Sisters music](#) The Nugget 5/16/24
- [Tower Theatre Foundation announces four HS seniors recipients of Doug Watson Scholarship for Performing Arts](#) ktvz.com 5/14/24
- [Amazing Kids: Leading his bandmates by example](#) Beaverton ValleyTimes 5/20/24

- [Managing stress through ceramics grounded in wellness](#) Oregon ArtsWatch 5/22/24
- [Grammy-winning teacher Annie Ray on the importance of music education for all](#) PBS 5/26/24
- [Feeling the vibe: Rogue World Music Festival rocks Ashland](#) Ashland News 5/27/24

Educator Resources

- The U.S. Department of Education has recently updated their [Assistance for Arts Education \(AAE\) Center website](#), designed to provide Arts education resources to AAE grantees as well as the wider Arts education field. Check it out and stay tuned to national support and funding opportunities for arts education!
- [Musical Canvas](#) from Google Arts & Culture generates soundtracks to drawings, a great demonstration of the interconnectedness of various artistic disciplines!
- Explore performing arts, activism, and the work of "artists" with your students in [The Power of Art to Create Change](#) from PBS and Dulé Hill.

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Educator Opportunities

National Association for Media Arts Ed OPEN CALL for MEDIA ARTS TEACHERS!



The National Association for Media Arts Education (NAMAE) is seeking media arts teachers and teaching artists to lead in developing curriculum and instruction through the lens of culturally responsive teaching and student-centered instruction.

A cohort of 7 PK-12 media arts teachers and teaching artists will be selected from diverse backgrounds and settings (e.g. classroom and after-school programs, media arts forms, demographics, rural-urban, location, grade level, etc.).

Selected educators will choose a standards-based lesson from their own practice to revise and pilot, using guidance created by the panel of experts.

Participants will be asked to:

- attend approx. 4 hours of meetings for orientation, bias training, lesson refinement, and reflection
- revise a personal lesson plan based on guidance for culturally responsive teaching
- pilot the revised lesson in their classroom in Fall of 2024
- provide the National Coalition for Arts Standards (NCAS) with the final revised lesson plan and reflection

Total time commitment is estimated at 8-9 hours. The selected educators will be paid an honorarium of \$600 for their work.

[Apply Here](#) by June 14, 2024. [See site for details.](#)

National Endowment for the Arts Dance & Disability Field Scan: Listening Session

Dance educators: participate in this important discussion from the National Endowment for the Arts around accessibility in dance education! This Listening Session will be a facilitated discussion of the recent developments, barriers, and opportunities in the field of dance and disability. The specific areas of focus will be decided based on suggestions provided by registered attendees in the registration form.

Date & Time: Jun 5, 2024 03:00 PM PDT

[Register Here.](#)

Youth Opportunities

La Grande Summer Film Project Opportunity

What is the [La Grande Summer Film Project](#)? From August 1 to August 16, aspiring filmmakers and creatives will descend upon La Grande to craft captivating, fun and unique cinematic experiences. Local businesses have the opportunity to shine as a location in these films, receiving unparalleled exposure while supporting the arts in our community.

Participation is available for all ages, we will be looking to build team leaders and core groups from these participants. Share your interests and experiences in the form and then look for more communication by our staff!

[Register to participate here!](#)

2024-2025 Oregon State Board of Education Student Advisor Application

Educators, please share this opportunity widely with your current 11th graders! The Oregon State Board of Education and the Oregon Department of Education encourage incoming high school seniors to apply for a one-year appointment as either a **Student Advisor to the Board** or a **Student Rule Advisor**. These appointments begin August 2024 and end July 2025. To qualify, students must be a current high school junior (senior during the 2024-25 school year) with strong leadership qualities and the ability to deliberate policy issues.

The Oregon State Board of Education works on providing equitable policies and practices that lead to the educational and life success of every Oregon student. It envisions an

aspirational education system that honors its increasingly diverse student body and affirms every student to reach their full potential in a rapidly shifting global environment.

[Learn more and apply here.](#)

Artist, Arts Organization and Partner Opportunities



Ronald W. Naito Foundation Grants: Summer/Fall Cycle Opens Soon

The Ronald W. Naito MD Foundation supports local, national, and international initiatives in the following categories: climate, health equity, and sustainable communities. We also support Oregon-based arts and education organizations. There is clear overlap between our funding priorities: we embrace that intersectionality and understand that organizations often work across multiple priorities.

All grant cycles are open to the public. Please know that we are working continually to make our funding more responsive and accessible. We welcome feedback and suggestions.

LOIs for Summer/Fall Cycle 2024 open on Jul 22, 2024. [See site for details.](#)

Upcoming Events, Training & Conference Opportunities

All trainings are listed in Pacific Time zone unless otherwise noted.

Relevant Educator Opportunities:

- El Sistema USA | [2024 National Symposium](#) | June 13-15 | Butler University, Indianapolis, IN | [See site for details](#)
- National Association for Music Education (NAfME) | [2024 Biennial NAfME Music Research and Teacher Education Conference](#) | Sept. 25-28 | The Westin Peachtree Plaza, Atlanta, GA | [See site for details](#)
- Educational Theatre Association (EdTA) | [Theatre Education Conference](#) | September 26-29 | The Depot, Minneapolis, MN | [See site for details](#)
- National Dance Education Organization (NDEO) | [NDEO 2024 National Conference](#) | Sept. 29 - Oct. 1 | Hyatt Regency Bellevue, Seattle, WA | [See site for details](#)

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Oregon Open Learning Updates

Arts, Care & Connection K-5 Pilot Lessons!

Arts for Learning Northwest is collaborating with Oregon teaching artists on the development of a series of four arts courses designed for K-5 students called [Arts, Care & Connection](#), with integrated social emotional learning content in the areas of dance, visual arts, theater, and music. This lesson is part of a pilot project, and will be shared in its final version in an Oregon Open Learning Lesson Collection. **Oregon teachers are encouraged to provide feedback on the form included in the lesson resources, to inform the development of this project.**



Check out this featured resource for an example of the Arts, Care & Connection content included in the [Oregon Arts Group!](#)

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The [Oregon Open Learning Hub](#) is a digital resource repository and collaboration space for educators, administrators, and other educational partners to curate, create, and remix open educational resources (OER). The Hub is a portal to over 50,000 openly licensed resources available on [OER Commons](#), searchable by grade level, subject, and standard.

Want to learn more about OER and the Oregon Open Learning Hub? Asynchronous learning options include the [OER Professional Learning Group](#) on the Hub and the [User Guide for Oregon Open Learning](#).

Questions? Connections?

We welcome your submissions to [ODE's Arts Education Newsletter!](#) If you have information about events or opportunities for arts educators or students, please contact [Shannon Johnson, Arts Education Specialist](#).

In an effort to streamline the communication process, newsletters will be sent out once a month. To ensure that we can equitably share announcements from everyone, please submit your Newsletter posts no later than the 1st of each month.

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