



June Arts Education Newsletter

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Arts Education Connections, June 2023

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In this newsletter, we share with you some announcements, resources, and opportunities for training from statewide and national colleagues that may be of interest to you. As our community grows, we will continue to adapt the newsletter to fit the needs of the arts education community. If you have suggestions or feedback for the newsletter, please reach out to Shannon Johnson, Arts Education Specialist at ODE.

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ODE Arts Education Updates

WRAP Updates: Expanding Access to Arts Education

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ARTS ACCESS TOOLKIT

Improving Access to Arts Learning as Part of a Well-Rounded Education



The Arts Access Toolkit is part of an initiative to increase access for Oregon students to arts and STEM/STEAM learning opportunities. The toolkit is organized into a digital collection, highlighting both agency developed and external resources to assist schools and districts in offering and sustaining high quality, standards-aligned arts programs.

ODE is inviting administrators, educators, teaching artists, arts organizations, and all school staff, families, and community members interested in arts education to join us this June to learn more about the Arts Access Toolkit. Click on the links below to register for the webinar day and time that works best for you:

- [Wednesday, June 7th 3:00 - 4:00 PM](#)
- [Thursday, June 15th 2:00 - 3:00 PM](#)

If you are unable to join us at either of these times, the webinars will also be recorded. You can find recordings of previous sessions on the [Arts Access Toolkit site](#).

The Well-Rounded Access Program (WRAP) at the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) is excited to announce upcoming programs to support arts education across the state!



- Building on work in the state with the [Tribal History/Shared History](#) project, Tribes have begun to develop [Tribal specific content](#) across many subject areas. Tribes and Indigenous educators are working together with the WRAP team to ensure that American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) students are represented in the arts content they engage with in school as well. The Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation recently began their project to design Tribal specific native arts lessons, and more updates will be available to the project soon!
- Arts for Learning Northwest (formerly Young Audiences of Oregon & SW Washington) will partner with ODE to design an Arts, Care & Connection program, offering free K-5 arts integration lessons and professional learning for teachers. These lessons will create high quality arts and social emotional learning opportunities for elementary students during the school day. This work is done in partnership with ODE's [Care and Connection campaign](#) and will integrate ODE's upcoming Oregon's Transformative SEL Framework & Standards, set to come before the State Board of Education for adoption this summer.

[ODE's Arts Education](#) website is a great place to stay connected with these projects and learn about future resources as they are released.

Celebrating Pride Month with the Arts

It's Pride Month! In light of [recent data](#) around LGBTQ2SIA+ students and their school experiences, it is as important as ever to recognize the contributions of our LGBTQ2SIA+ artists in the classroom. For ideas to support in all school settings, ODE has established a state board approved [LGBTQ2SIA+ Student Success Plan](#), offering support and guidance to ensure equitable outcomes for LGBTQ2SIA+ students, and ODE's [Supporting Gender](#)

[Expansive Students Guidance](#) provides recommended practices and guidance for supporting gender expansive students in Oregon schools.

Connect further to support your students with some of these arts related resources and events:

- These [lesson plans from the Human Rights Campaign Foundation](#) feature opportunities for artmaking and writing poetry, and focus on creating welcoming environments for all students, including LGBTQ2SIA+ students.
- [GLSEN's Rainbow Library](#) is a program that sends LGBTQ+ affirming K-12 text sets to schools across select states — for free!
- Check out the Smithsonian American Art Museum's [Pride Family Zone](#) for art activities and resources.
- [Pride Northwest](#) is a great place to find Pride events in your area, including art contests, live music, and plenty of ways to celebrate Pride!



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June Arts and Culture Events!

Celebrate arts and culture across the Northwest this June and support these creative community events!

- Resonance Ensemble | [Earth's Protection: A free arts and music festival for our planet](#) | Lewis and Clark College, Portland | Free, Pre-registration for seated concert required
- City of Cannon Beach | [59th Annual Cannon Beach Sandcastle Contest](#) | June 10 | On the Beach between Haystack Rock and Downtown Cannon Beach, OR | Free
- Juneteenth Oregon | [Juneteenth Oregon Parade and Festival](#) | June 17-18 | Lillis-Albina Park, Portland, OR | Free
- Salem Multicultural Institute | [World Beat Festival 2023](#) | June 23-25 | Riverfront Park, Salem, OR | Free - \$15
- Chamber Music Northwest | [Poetry in Music 2023 Summer Festival](#) | June 24-July 29 | Various Locations in Portland Metro Area | Free events available, ticket prices vary
- Wallowa Resources | [Woodlands and Watersheds Festival](#) | Wallowa County Fairgrounds, Enterprise, OR | June 30, 10 am-3pm | Free
- Oregon Bach Festival | [Oregon Bach Festival 2023](#) | June 30-July 16, 2023 | Various locations throughout Eugene, OR | \$5+



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Arts Ed News, Research & 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 Articles

- [Why Every Student Deserves a Robust Arts Education](#) EdSurge, 3/31/23
- [Madras' Art Adventure Gallery is art central for Jefferson County](#) Oregon Artswatch, 5/9/23
- [Mountain View kids take on 'Les Misérables' while theater teacher on leave](#) Central Oregon Daily News, 5/10/23
- [Student from a Northwest Portland school selected as Oregon winner in Google art competition](#) KGW, 5/21/23
- [Oregon City resident: Our fractured world needs revival of Ghost Dance Ceremony](#) Oregon City News, 5/22/23

- [Study Finds Local Arts Agencies are Catalysts for Art Vibrancy](#), SMU DataArts, May 2023
- [Exhibit to feature brother artists](#) Wallowa County Chieftan, 5/23/23

Resources

- Carnegie Hall's [Resources for Young Musicians](#) support teenage students, aspiring musicians, and young professional artists on their music-learning journeys. Explore tools to create your own music, collaborate with peers, hear insights from professional musicians, and more.
- RetroReport in the Classroom has released the documentary "[How Saba Kept Singing](#)", along with educational materials that will help students gain a deeper understanding of life at the Auschwitz Nazi concentration camp; explore the connections in music, humanity and perseverance; and examine how anti-Semitism has evolved through modern history.

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Educator Opportunities

Free Smithsonian National Education Summit



Mark your calendars for the [2023 Smithsonian National Education Summit: "Together We Thrive,"](#) taking place from **July 18-20, 2023**. This year's Summit offers in-person workshops at the Smithsonian in Washington D.C., as well as online-specific sessions, so you can choose the format that best suits your needs. The Summit includes four distinct tracks:

- Life on a Sustainable Planet
- STEAM Education
- Reckoning with Our Racial Past
- An Integrated Arts Education

[Free registration available here.](#)

ISKME User Advisory Group - Summer 2023

Do you utilize Open Educational Resources in your work? The ISKME User Advisory Group for Summer 2023 will help ISKME co-design improvements to their platform search and discovery of OER, specifically for on the ground educators. This advisory group would include (but is not limited to) folks working as:

- Instructors/faculty in Higher Education
- Classroom teachers in K-12
- Curriculum design specialists
- Instructional designers

[Register to support.](#)

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Youth Opportunities

Free Summer Art Camps with Arts for Learning Northwest for PPS Students!



Get ready for a summer break filled with color and creativity!

Talented teaching artists and classroom staff members will introduce campers to a variety of different art mediums through open ended exploration and project work. Artists will vary week to week but mediums include creative movement, cyanotype photography, textile work, and more!

Any student with a current PPS student ID number who completed a grade between K-5 in the 22-23 school year can register for one week of camp.

[Learn more and register here.](#)

Grey Raven Gallery Announces Free Summer Art Events for Kids

This summer, Grey Raven Gallery will welcome local children to their [Beaverton art gallery](#) for a series of free art events. Taking place on the first Saturday of every month during summer, kids can experience a range of fun, engaging events at the new creative space in Beaverton. Attendees should expect a mix of education and entertainment, complete with hands-on arts and crafts lessons. And with art playing such a vital role in childhood development, these events are not to be missed.

[Learn more here.](#)

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Artist, Arts Organization and Partner Opportunities



Caldera Artists in Residence Opportunity

Caldera's residency program supports artists, creatives, and cultural workers to build skills, relationships, and projects that inspire growth, combat oppression, and activate change. Residencies are open to regional and national, creatives and cultural workers in any discipline. Artists at any stage of their careers, who are not current students, are eligible to apply. Residencies are also available for parent artists who would like to bring their children. Residents will receive private lodging, studio, and artist stipend.

Applications close July 18, 2023.

[Learn more and apply here.](#)

National Endowment for the Arts Our Town Grants

Arts, culture, and design are essential to building strong communities where all people can thrive. Through Our Town, the NEA is proud to support creative placemaking projects that integrate arts, culture, and design into local efforts that strengthen communities over the long-term.

Our Town projects engage a wide range of local partners in efforts to advance local economic, physical, or social outcomes in communities. Competitive projects are responsive to unique local conditions, authentically engage communities, advance artful lives, and lay the groundwork for long-term systems change.

Applications close August 3, 2023 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time

[Learn more and apply here.](#)

Upcoming Events, Training & Conference Opportunities

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

Relevant educator events and trainings:

- National Association for Music Education (NAfME) | [Culturally Responsive Pedagogy: Indispensable for Instrumental Music](#). Presenter: [Katrina Joyner](#) | June 7, 4pm | Online | Free
- PSU Art & Social Practice Program | [Assembly 2023](#) | June 9-11 | At various locations in Portland OR: Dr MLK Jr Elementary School, Portland Playhouse, King Farmer's Market, and 5th Ave Cinema | Free
- National Association for Music Education (NAfME) | [Margaret Bonds' Credo and the Expanding Choral Canon: A Case Study](#). Presenters: [Kendra Kay Friar](#), [Cristino Perez](#), [Justin Smith](#) | June 14, 4pm | Online | Free
- International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) | [ISTE Live 23 Conference](#) | June 25-28 | Online and Philadelphia, PA | See site for details
- Arts Education Partnership (AEP) | [AEP Annual Convening](#) | September 13-14 | Portland, OR | See site for details
- Educational Theatre Association | [2023 EdTA Theatre Education Conference](#) | September 28-30, 2023 | Tradewinds Resort, St. Pete Beach FL | See site for details
- National Dance Education Association (NDEO) | [2023 NDEO National Conference](#) | September 29 - October 1, 2023 | Denver, CO | See site for registration details

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Oregon Open Learning Oregon Arts Group Featured Resource

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).

Check out this featured resource from PBS Learning Media for an example of the content included in the [Oregon Arts Group](#) on the Hub!

[Creating Vodcasts | Media Arts Toolkit](#)

Music educator Michelle Lewis teaches her students how to create vodcast music lessons. Lewis hopes that their vodcast YouTube channel will help students in schools without a music program learn music concepts.

Interested in joining and contributing to the Oregon Arts Group, but not sure how it works? Asynchronous learning options about OER and the Oregon Open Learning Hub include the [OER Professional Learning Group](#) on the Hub and the [User Guide for Oregon Open Learning](#).

Questions? Connections?

Please reach out to [Shannon Johnson](#).

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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