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1. LOCAL ADVOCACY WIN FOR SAN DIEGO

Local arts education advocates succeeded with a full scale campaign to save San Diego Unified School District's office of Visual and Performing Arts. A local consultant has started an advocacy web page and the teachers are in on the action too.

<http://blog.artsusa.org/2009/06/03/local-advocacy-in-san-diego-saves-the-arts/>

2. ARTS EDUCATION CASE STUDIES

This special collection of Arts Education case studies and evaluations reveals the lessons, benefits, and pitfalls of existing and past projects.

Reports come from all over the country and national organizations. They cover in and out of school time and include case studies, research, sample documents, and community plans. The listing includes program and advocacy work.

<http://artsed.issuelab.org/research>

3. ADVOCACY TOOLS & TIPS

SupportMusic.com is a wealth of advocacy info.

Support Music's monthly CounterPoint article includes Keeping Your Momentum, Even in Troubled Times, written by SupportMusic Steering Committee member and community activist Chris Sentieri. He sets the right tone of hopeful determination and shares successful advocacy strategies to develop a coalition and strengthen relationships with school officials.

<http://supportmusic.com/drjohn/archive/2009-06-01.mhtml>

New Home Page Highlight: Download an MP3 audio file of the keynote address by Professor Larry Livingston, USC Thornton School of Music / Director of Educational Initiatives, Guitar Center, "Beyond Measure Seven: Lessons that Linger" that was

delivered at NAMM's Music Education Day Reception on Sunday January 18, 2009, Anaheim California.
(24.5 MB) http://www.supportmusic.com/Livingston_keynote.mp3

4. NEWS

-GOOD NEWS FOR TEXAS ARTS ED

In a recent legislative battle, TX kept it's arts ed grad requirement, and added one for middle school.

<http://www.goarts.org/HB3toGovernor.html>

-VIDEO ON ARTS ED AND THE BRAIN

The organizer of the Dana Arts and Cognition Consortium was interviewed on film for the Learning, Arts, and the Brain Summit.

<http://www.dana.org/events/detail.aspx?id=21826>

-ABOUT ARTS INTEGRATION

This report profiles the Ford Arts Ed Initiative grantees, all supported to do major arts integration work in their districts.

(PDF) <http://www.keepartsinschools.org/Research/Materials/FocusGroup.pdf>

-ARNE DUNCAN SAYS TEACHERS JUDGED BY STUDENT SUCCESS

Teachers should be judged on student performance, though not solely on test scores, Education Secretary Arne Duncan said.

<http://bit.ly/DLOAE>

-NAEP ARTS RELEASE JUNE 15

The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) in the Arts report will be available online at 10:00 AM EDT on June 15, 2009.

<http://nationsreportcard.gov>

-ON THE ARTS' WHITE HOUSE BRIEFING PAPER

On May 12th, more than 60 artists and creative organizers engaged in came together for a White House briefing on art and social justice.

http://www.statevoices.org/system/files/WH%20Briefing%20Report%206-4-09_0.pdf

-FILM ON DANCE IN PRISONS

A few years ago, a choreographer went into a women's prison outside of London and taught movement classes.

<http://bit.ly/GsYkX>

-LIFELONG KINDERGARTEN?

What's so special about kindergarten? As kindergartners create stories and paintings, they develop their creativity and collaboration, the abilities most needed to achieve success and satisfaction in the 21st century.

<http://llk.media.mit.edu/>

-VIOLINS FOR NONE

Without \$50,000 by June 30, the Schuylkill Valley School District will disband its four-year study to see if violin lessons boost student performance on standardized tests.

<http://www.readingeagle.com/article.aspx?id=141304>

-ALIGNING PARTICIPANTS IN THE MOVEMENT

New York statewide orgs got on the same page this year. They co-wrote and signed onto these universal truths about arts ed.

<http://www.nysaae.org/talkingpoints.htm>

-FREE COLLABORATION SOFTWARE FROM GOOGLE

Google will be offering WAVE, so why pay for SharePoint?

<http://wave.google.com/help/wave/about.html>

-THE LATEST ON CHARTER SCHOOLS

The report found 1. Insignificant effects on reading and math achievement; 2. Few positive effects for graduation rates; 3. No evidence competition changing scores of local schools.

<http://epicpolicy.org/thinktank/review-Charter-Schools-Eight-States>

-CHAIRMAN OF THE N.E.H.

Obama nominated Jim Leach, a former Republican congressman from Iowa who is now a professor at Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs.

<http://www.nytimes.com/2009/06/04/arts/04neh.html?th&emc=th>

5. FUNDING

-H.S. ARTS TEACHER FELLOWSHIPS

The Surdna Foundation Fellowships for High School Arts Teachers
Deadline: LOI November 13.

www.surdna.org/artsteachersfellowship

-QWEST EDUCATION FUNDING

Qwest funds use of technology, innovative models, leadership of educators and parents, early childhood education, and diversity. Deadline: rolling.

<http://www.qwest.com/about/company/community/fags.html>

-WILLIAM T. GRANT SCHOLARS

The program supports researchers whose research contributes to understanding and improving the lives of young people. Deadline: Jul 8.

<http://www.wtgrantfoundation.org>

-SCHOOLS AS CENTERS OF COMMUNITY

The American Architectural Foundation invites nominations for the Schools as Centers of Community. Deadline: Jul 1.

<http://www.richardrileyaward.org/en/Index.html>

-PRINCIPALS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Sharing the Dream Grants support elementary and middle school principals to foster school-community relationships. Deadline: Jul 8.

(PDF) <http://www.naesp.org/resources/1/Pdfs/09SharingtheDreamApp.pdf>

6. OPPORTUNITIES: GET INVOLVED, CONFERENCES, JOBS & AWARDS

GET INVOLVED:

-WRITE FOR THE TEACHING ARTIST JOURNAL

The Teaching Artist Journal is a print and online quarterly that serves as a voice, forum and resource for Teaching Artists. Deadline: rolling.

<http://tajournal.com/taj-submissions/>

CONFERENCES:

-FACEBOOK FOR ARTS ORGS

Announcing a Four-Webinar Series: Facebook for Arts Organizations

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

JOBS:

Full Americans for the Arts Job Listings are online.

Post, search, apply. Hundreds of jobs; Thousands of applicants.

<http://jobbank.artsusa.org/>

AWARDS:

-NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES

National Endowment for the Humanities Announces Picturing America School Collaboration Projects Grant Opportunity. Deadline: Oct 7.

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=253700047

7. QUOTE OF THE WEEK!

Educating our children is not just about imposing a body of knowledge on them. Rather, it involves preparing children from the early years for the world in which they will come of age. It means instilling a love for lifelong learning, creativity, self-expression and an appreciation for diversity.

-Her Majesty Queen Rania Al Abdullah of Jordan

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