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Wednesday, April 23

We're excited to release four new **two-pagers** that will provide deeper insight into this year's ArtScan update! Each two-pager explores and explains state policy examples across four categories:

1. **Student Learning**
2. **High School Graduation**
3. **Licensure**
4. **Statewide Programs & Funding**

Explore these along with our ArtScan At-a-Glance in this **full report**.

RESCHEDULED: Town Hall for Local Arts Education Supervisors

Due to technical difficulties experienced by thousands of Zoom customers, we had to cancel last week's **Town Hall for Local Arts Education Supervisors**. We're excited to let you know that the meeting has been rescheduled!

Join us **Monday, May 12 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. MDT/3:30-4:30 p.m. EDT** for a webinar about the intersection of career and technical education (CTE) and arts education. Together, we will discuss what is being done in your communities and what needs to be done at the local and national level to ensure quality arts education is accessible to all pre-K through grade 12 students.

Annual Convening Proposals Close May 2

Less than two weeks left to submit a **breakout session proposal** for the AEP Annual Convening! Our Annual Convening serves as an opportunity to gather in person to explore the best of what is happening in arts education across the country. Our goal is to provide you with the knowledge and tools you need to advance your work while building stronger connections in the arts education community.

News From Our Partners and Affiliates

Reconnecting State Arts Education Alliances

As part of its work to build community, Arts Ed Washington is conducting a **survey** to help reconnect arts education advocacy leaders in all 50 states. The goal of the survey is to build a network to fortify the work being done within individual states and bolster the collective impact across the country. The survey is open to arts education organizations and will help guide efforts to reconnect state-level arts education alliances.

Ingenuity State of the Arts Report

Ingenuity released its 12th annual **State of the Arts (SOTA) Report**! This report is a reflection of the progress and opportunities that remain for arts education in Chicago Public Schools (CPS). This year's report also includes a new **State of the Arts Toolkit** designed for school leaders, arts partner organizations and funders. The Toolkit offers tailored talking points and curated data visualizations to provides context, highlights and key messages.

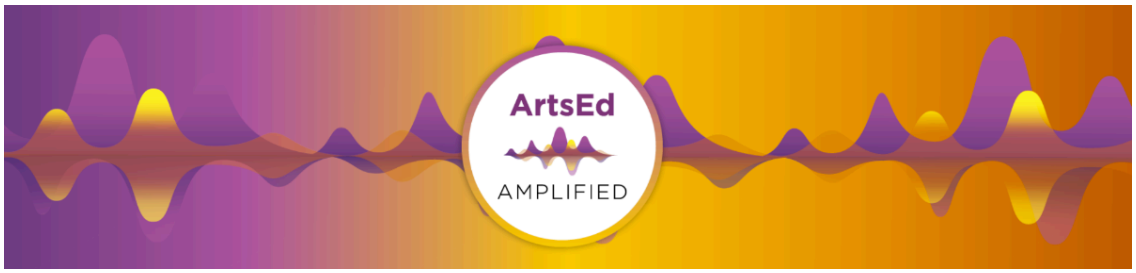
News From the Field

Rural Arts Organizations Survey

A creative researcher is seeking participation in a **survey** about rural arts organizations in the U.S. The **aims of this study** are to increase an understanding of the ways in which rural arts practitioners develop exhibitions and programs, share organizational information and engage with local audiences. The survey defines rural as a community of 50,000 or less residents and situated a minimum of 30 minutes from the nearest urban center.

Teaching Artist Talks: Arts & Health

Join the Mid-Atlantic Arts Education Managers on May 9 for the **Teaching Artist Talks: Arts & Health** to learn how teaching artists can engage with the Arts & Health sector. This 90-minute webinar will feature discussions about the arts and health sector, how arts education can lead to mental and physical health outcomes and how teaching artists can prepare themselves to be engaged in a multitude of wellness-based environments. Registration is free, but closes on May 2, so register soon!



Check out these ArtsEd Amplified posts to learn more about what our community is working on!

- **Educating Ourselves About Childhood Arts Experiences** by Sunil Iyengar
- **An Easy Way to Bring Art & SEL Outcomes to Your Students** by Bethany Logan
- **Find Connection With AEP's Partnership Directory** by Krystal Johnson

Are you eager to share your work with others? **Submit your idea** for ArtsEd Amplified!

Events

- **2025 State of the Arts in Education Symposium** | Arts Connect Houston, April 24, Houston, TX
- **AAM Annual Meeting and MuseumExpo** | American Alliance of Museums, May 6-9, Los Angeles, CA
- **2025 AAAE Conference** | Association of Arts Administration Educators, May 22-25, Pittsburgh, PA
- **Education Showcase** | EdVestors, May 21, Boston, MA
- **AFTACON** | Americans for the Arts, June 11-14, Cincinnati, OH
- **Theatre Education Conference** | Educational Theatre Association, June 22-24, Bloomington, IN
- **PTA 2025 Virtual Convention** | National PTA, June 25-28, Online
- **2025 National Arts Integration and STEAM Conference** | The Institute for Arts Integration and STEAM, July 8-9, Baltimore, MD
- **National Forum on Education Policy** | Education Commission of the States, July 9-11, Salt Lake City, UT
- **NDEO 2025 National Conference** | National Dance Education Organization, Detroit, MI, Oct. 4-6

Career Opportunities

FYI: to support and encourage **sustainable hiring practices**, AEP only includes career opportunities that include a salary/compensation in the job posting.

Northeast

- **Executive Director** | Theatre for a New Audience, New York City, NY

South

- **Artistic Director and Department Chair, Peabody Children's Chorus** | Peabody Preparaty of John Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD
- **Director of Community Relations** | Ballet Pensacola, Pensacola, FL
- **Executive Director of Programming and Production** | Forest Forward, Dallas, TX

West

- **Director, Statewide Arts Initiative** | California County Superintendents Educational Services Association, CA
- **Arts and Culture Director** | City of Mesa, Mesa, AZ
- **Native Arts and Cultures Foundation** | Vice President of Community Impact, Portland, OR
- **Creative Director and Lead Instructor** | Oregon Coast Dance Conservatory, Brookings, OR

ArtsEdSearch

Did you know? A 2014 study found that collaborative or ensemble school music programs support social and emotional learning development. A key finding from the study shows that a main consequence of mixed choir participation is greater self-acceptance and self-understanding. Read other key findings from the study at **https://ow.ly/XiYV50VF0iQ** | **#ArtsEdSearch**

Have news to share?

Please submit a 100-word summary via **email**.

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