

# CDE Announcement:

Colorado's educational goal is to ensure all students succeed - in every grade - and then in college, careers and life. The goal is achieved by providing clear academic standards for students, measuring their progress and ensuring great teaching. View this [three minute video](#) highlighting CDE's educational goals.

## Standards and Instructional Support

### Resources

#### Coming Soon: Instruction Units Based on Physical Education Standards

Thirteen full instructional units based on the Colorado Academic Standards in Physical Education (to **include dance** connections!) will be posted in April to the Standards and Instructional Support website. These units, authored by teams of educators representing 13 Colorado school districts, include learning experiences, teacher and student resources, assessment ideas, and differentiation options. One full instructional unit, based on a select unit overview sample, has been created for each grade by the teacher-author teams. Currently, one high-school-level example unit is accessible on the Standards and Instructional Support page by scrolling down to the

Physical Education heading:

<http://www.cde.state.co.us/standardsandinstruction/instructionalunits-highschool>.

The instructional units will be posted here:

<http://www.cde.state.co.us/standardsandinstruction/instructionalunits-physicaled>

### In the SPOTLIGHT!

## Practical Ideas Guides-New Special Education Teacher Guide

#### Practical Ideas for Evaluating Educators with the State Model Evaluation System

Earlier this year, four guides were released on using the State Model Teacher Rubric for evaluations of different groups of teachers (**including the arts disciplines**). To access these guides, visit: <http://bit.ly/1zTQG24>.

Recently, CDE released the last in this series of guides – Practical Ideas for Evaluating Special Education Teachers. To view this guide, please visit: <http://www.cde.state.co.us/practicalideassped>.



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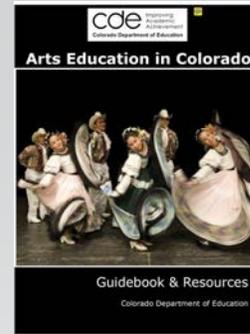
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### CDE Quick Links

- [Arts Education Guidebook](#)



- [CDE Arts Webpage](#)

### Colorado State Arts Partners



[Colorado Creative Industries](#)



[Think 360 Arts](#)

### Colorado Arts Associations



[Colorado Arts Education Association](#)



[Colorado Music Educator's Association](#)



[Colorado Association for Music Curriculum and Instruction](#)



[Colorado State Thespians](#)



[Colorado Dance Education Organization](#)

### [Music training may narrow achievement gap](#)

Recent research showed that schools with graduation rates hovering around 50 percent raised those rates to 93 percent with something as simple as music lessons. This success has convinced school administrators and parents alike that music training may hold a key to closing the achievement gap that persists between underserved and prosperous students in the United States. (*Bay Area News Group, March 25*)



## POETRY OUT LOUD STATE CHAMPION

From a competitive field of 26 students across the state, Jeana Lovett from Liberty High School in Colorado Springs, CO received the title of 2015 Poetry Out Loud Colorado State Champion at the state finals held in Lakewood, CO on March 3, 2015. The first runner up was TaShaiya Henderson from Thornton High School in Thornton, CO. Jeana Lovett's final of three recitations was "La Figlia Che Piange" by T.S. Eliot, for which a panel of judges awarded her the top Colorado Poetry Out Loud prize. "La Figlia Che Piange," meaning "young girl weeping," is the final poem in T.S. Eliot's 1917 work *Prufrock and Other Observations*. This short poem describes a lovers' parting. Jeana will advance to National Finals on April 28 - 29, 2015 in Washington D.C. [Learn more.](#)



Pueblo Creative  
Corridor Levee Mural

## COLORADO CREATIVE DISTRICTS

Americans for the Arts featured article

Americans for the Arts has published *Creative Districts in Colorado*, an article featuring best practices written by CCI director Margaret Hunt and Creative Districts program consultant Maryo Ewell for the National Cultural Districts Exchange. [Read the article here.](#)



## Institute for Creative Teaching

The [Institute for Creative Teaching](#) will be held on June 22-26, 2015, 8:30am-4:00pm each day in Denver. This is the longest running arts integration class in Colorado - we have been training teachers in a highly interactive and fun setting for 26 years! All participants will receive 35 continuing education hours for CDE, and we have **travel stipends available if you are traveling from outside Denver metro area** (over 50 miles one way).

Early bird rates and group rates are available. Click [here](#) to register. Questions? Contact Michelle Shedro, [michelle@think360arts.org](mailto:michelle@think360arts.org).



## Alliance Project Grant

A \$10,000 grant for curriculum support with educators, administrators, staff and others in Adams, Boulder, Denver and Jefferson counties. Applications for the Alliance Project Grant are being accepted for public schools with middle school grades in Adams, Boulder, Denver, and Jefferson counties in Colorado with free workshops, assemblies, field trips, bus and sub support to build curriculum connections and learning opportunities for students from over 27 arts, culture and science organizations. Science workshops and art exhibits on campus, field trips to concerts and performances, assemblies for your school, history programs and so much more!

Click here for the Alliance Project Application through Survey Monkey [Alliance Application](#) **Applications are due April 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

## Arts and Tech: creating pARTnerships for the next wave of culture and technology

There have been a slew of discussions lately centered around the potential in combining art and technology, two sectors that operate differently but ultimately share many similarities. A recent [article](#) in the New York Times by Alice Gregory questioned if in the physical world, the arts and tech are clashing cultures, or "parallel universes that rarely intersect." (*Americans for the Arts-ArtsBlog, March 27*)



## Registration NOW Open for CIAE's 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Arts Education Leadership Institute

The Center for Integrated Arts Education is pleased to announce that Registration for the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Arts Education Leadership Institute is now open! Please join us Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015 for *Art in the Everyday: Social Practice and Lived Experience*. Keynote Speakers will be Alberto Aguilar, Jorge Lucero, Chip Thomas, and M12 Collective. This year's Artists of Note include Lynne Hull, Bread and Puppet Theater, and Phil Bender with special performances by Phamaly and Ian Cooke. Information about these speakers and others along with a registration link are found at <http://arts.unco.edu/ciae/index.html>.

*Art in the Everyday will demonstrate how everyday acts can be Art and Art can be found in the everyday. Keynote speakers, artists and workshop presenters will help find new places for artmaking in our teaching, learning and day-to-day living. We will discuss how paying attention to the aesthetic aspects of Everyday Life can potentially result in personal, social, relational or cultural change.*



### Carl A. Bimson Humanities Seminar "Dance Movement Education: Integrating Comprehensive Skills into the K-12 Curriculum"

**Monday – Friday, June 8-12, 2015**

**9 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

**Presented by the School of Music, Theatre, and Dance and the College of Liberal Arts**

Colorado K-12 educators are invited to the Colorado State University campus to participate in a weeklong seminar with university faculty and guest speakers. Join us for the Carl A. Bimson Humanities Seminar focusing on Dance Movement Education and offering opportunities for enhanced professional development. Participants will engage in dance movement exploration, develop curricular materials and plans, and explore the latest research and curriculum developments in dance movement education.

Outcomes of the seminar will include developing classroom materials/tools, collaborative research and practice, and sustaining partnerships between primary, secondary, and university faculty. Teachers may sign up for Colorado State University Continuing Education credit (fee required) for teacher enhancement purposes. **Seminar enrollment is limited to 20 Colorado K-12 Educators. Each participant will receive an honorarium for attending the entire seminar. Registration opens March 23, 2015. For more information and to register, please contact:**

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## NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS

Share your stories

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the signing of the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, which created the National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

To better recount the story of the NEA and the arts in America, the NEA wants to share your story of how the arts have influenced your life.

Tell NEA how the arts are part of your day, how the arts have inspired you to do something unique, how they have made a difference among you and your family, as well as in the communities and neighborhoods in which you live. If there is a specific NEA grant that has had an impact on you and your community, let them know. [Learn more and share your story.](#)

## Notable Events



### Colorado Creative Careers Festival

The FIFTH annual **Colorado Creative Careers Festival** is scheduled for **Friday, April 17, 2015**, on the Kunsmiller Creative Arts Campus in Southwest Denver and we need you to share your talent and expertise with Colorado high school students and educators! For more information on the Creative Careers Festival, please visit our web page at <http://www.coloradostateplan.com/artsAV.htm>

The Festival will feature hands-on workshops, informational sessions about current and developing careers in the creative industries, and an opportunity for students to receive an interactive critique of their work. The workshop sessions will focus on the areas of Digital Arts, Film and Video Production, Technical Theater, and Sound and Audio Production. We are interested in both introductory and advanced workshops that are interactive and wherever possible, hands-on. We will also need volunteers who are able to conduct student portfolio reviews and mock job or college interviews. Sessions are approximately 50 minutes in length.

To apply to present or volunteer to support at the Creative Careers Festival, please complete the online application at <http://tinyurl.com/CCCF2015>. Applications will be accepted through Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>.

We are expecting 350-450 high school students from across Colorado and are excited about working with you to create a dynamic experience for these young adults.

## Summer Internship for HS students at CVA

The Center for Visual Art (CVA) at MSU Denver <http://www.msudenver.edu/cva/> will host a summer internship program in collaboration with Goodwill Industries <http://www.goodwilldenver.org/>. Building on the success of previous years, interns will contribute to **OhHeckYeah** <http://www.briancorrigan.net/OhHeckYeah>, design original work and develop professional relationships and skills in the creative industry. OhHeckYeah, a first-of-its-kind arts+technology initiative transforms urban arts districts into street arcades through LED screens, custom built games and social media.

Workforce development lays the groundwork for successful execution of both the original artwork and ambassadorship. Students will practice resume writing, networking skills, and career planning for employment in the creative sector. Capitalizing on the tremendous resources in the local creative field, interns will develop relationships with professionals in a variety of disciplines including planning, development, philanthropy, design and management through site visits, panel discussions, and hands on workshops.

The program is targeted for students interested in careers in a creative industry.

**Applications will be accepted through March 15.** Young artists ages 16-20 should apply: <http://cvayoungartiststudio.weebly.com/hs-internship.html>

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### WORLD MUSIC DRUMMING Save the Date

We are all set to be in **Denver July 6-10, 2015**, for World Music Drumming Level 1 and Curriculum Update! In addition, Denver district music teachers will qualify for the \$149 discount on workshop registration. Registration will begin shortly after the new year. Workshop tuition: 3 Graduate credits, VanderCook (\$859) OR Non-Credit (\$539). For info visit: [www.worldmusicdrumming.com](http://www.worldmusicdrumming.com) Phone: 414-332-2277 Find us on Facebook! [facebook.com/WorldMusicDrumming](http://facebook.com/WorldMusicDrumming)



### The College Board Award for Excellence and Innovation in the Art

The [College Board Award for Excellence and Innovation in the Arts](#) award is back! We are awarding school arts programs in three categories (see below for details, also attached as a PDF) \$5000 each; one will receive an additional \$2500 as the national winner. Applications are open now and the deadline is **Monday, April 13**. For more information please visit: [https://artsaward.collegeboard.org/award.php?ep\\_ch=PR&ep\\_mid=11042582&ep\\_rid=47250264](https://artsaward.collegeboard.org/award.php?ep_ch=PR&ep_mid=11042582&ep_rid=47250264)



### The Adobe Foundation's Youth Media Arts Awards

The Adobe Youth Voices Awards is a global competition that honors youth who make original, outstanding digital media to creatively express their vision for positive change. Youth ages 13 to 19 are invited to submit media that inspires, informs, and generates solutions. There are five awards categories: Documentary, Narrative, Animation, Visual, and Social Venture. [More](#)

The deadline is April 20, 2015. Award winners and finalists become eligible to apply for the Adobe Youth Voices college [scholarships](#).

### CALLS FOR ENTRY

#### RoCo 6 x 6 call for entry

Each artwork must be 6x6 square inches (15cm) or mounted to a 6x6 board, signed only on the back, and exhibited anonymously. All entries will be accepted and exhibited in the gallery and online. All artworks will also be offered for sale to the public for \$20 each to benefit RoCo. Artist names will be revealed to the buyer upon purchase and all artworks will remain on display through July 12, 2015. Artists may enter up to 4 artworks of any medium (2D or 3D) and there is no fee to enter. [Learn more](#).



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

#### 2015 Arts Education Events/Conferences

April 17	CTE Creative Careers Festival	<a href="http://www.coloradostateplan.com/artsAV.htm">http://www.coloradostateplan.com/artsAV.htm</a>
April 23-24	CCI Summit	<a href="http://www.coloradocreativeindustries.org/summit">http://www.coloradocreativeindustries.org/summit</a>
June 9-11	UNC Center for Arts Integration Leadership Institute	<a href="http://www.arts.unco.edu/ciae/index.html">http://www.arts.unco.edu/ciae/index.html</a>
June 8-12	CSU Dance Movement Education Seminar	<a href="http://UCA.Colostate.edu">UCA.Colostate.edu</a>
June 21-26	Art Source Summer Institute	<a href="#">my teacher pages link</a>
June 22-26	Think 360 Arts Institute for Creative Teaching	<a href="http://think360arts.org">http://think360arts.org</a>
July 6	World Music Drumming	<a href="http://www.worldmusicdrumming.com">www.worldmusicdrumming.com</a>
September 17-18	Colorado Theatre Educators Conference	<a href="http://cothespians.com">http://cothespians.com</a>
October 3-4	Colorado Dance Conference, Students and Teachers	<a href="http://www.co-deo.org/">http://www.co-deo.org/</a>
November 12-15	CAEA Educator Conference	<a href="http://caeaco.org/">http://caeaco.org/</a>
December 3-5	Colorado State Thespian Conference	<a href="http://cothespians.com">http://cothespians.com</a>

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#### Math and Dance: [Exploring Symmetry Through Dance](#)

This ten minute video from the Teaching Channel explores a dance and math integration lesson to teach symmetry through dance for grades 3-5.