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STEM & STEAM

The conversation continues about STEM and STEAM. There is a lot of literature describing some programs which highlight engaging opportunities for learners. STEM and STEAM both explore opportunities to enhance student learning. The development and look of these programs vary from school to school. Some of these infuse an arts component and others may incorporate into a different kind of creative spin. I've provided some links within the "Just in Time" postings on page 2 about STEM and STEAM.



Please keep this conversation going with your colleagues and within the Google Communities. If you are not yet a member of the [WI DPI Fine Arts Google Communities](#), click

here to learn more and join the content area of your

interest. These are great places for educators to connect, ask questions, share resources, and dig deeply into some important educational topics.

Thank you for your work in arts education.

-Julie



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"Kudos"

Congratulations to Grafton Art Educator [Marcia Gorra-Patek](#) for being invited to the 23rd Annual Power of Art Conference this April in Washington, D.C. She will be one of the 40 school leaders from throughout the U.S. who will share their successful approaches to teaching all students through arts-based curriculums that are transferrable to all classrooms and learning styles. The annual Power of Art Conference is the product of a two-decade-long partnership between the Lab School of Washington, D.C. and the Robert Rauschenberg Foundation.



Congratulations to the Youth Art Award winners and participants of the Capitol Exhibit for 2016. [Awards and students are listed within this link.](#)



Additional education sites:
[Annenberg Learner](#)
[ArtsEdge: Multimedia Art of Education \(AOE\)](#)
[BadgerLink](#)
[BBC Learning Zone](#)
[Education Closet](#)
[From the Top](#)
[MAM Teacher Resources](#)
[PBS Arts](#)
[Teaching Channel](#)
[Teaching Today](#)
[Watch Know Learn](#)
[Wisconsin Biographies](#)
[Wisconsin Media Lab](#)

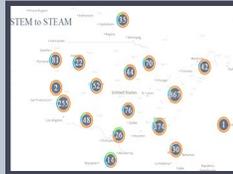
Just in Time – Professional Development

STEM – STEAM Links



the current landscape of ESSA and the movement of more engaging and collaborative educational practices.

What is STEAM? - Website with multiple resources about STEM to STEAM practices. See also the [map](#) sharing where programs are in place.



U.S. Education STEAMs Ahead - Article highlighting the value of STEAM in light of

The Importance of Arts Education - Star Talk Episode - Musician David Byrne and Neil deGrasse Tyson discuss the vital importance of arts education.



WI-FACE (Arts Education DIIGO site) - This site offers over 30 links to STEM/STEAM articles, videos, and postings. If you have additional links to include in this warehouse of resources, please contact [Julie Palkowski](#).

SLOs in the Arts

Resources and online materials:

- [Student Learning Objectives in the Arts PD site](#)
- Newsletters - [2013 Issue #3](#), [Issue #4](#)
- [SLO in the Arts - Tip Sheet](#)
- [SLO Toolkit](#); [Wisconsin DPI SLO Site](#)
- [Updated Template \(Version 7\)](#)
- Arts SLO examples, rubrics:
 - ◇ [Art](#)
 - ◇ [Choir](#)
 - ◇ [Theatre](#)
 - ◇ [Dance](#)
 - ◇ [Instrumental Music](#)
 - ◇ [General Music](#)
- [Disciplinary Literacy SLO](#)



Arts Standards

The National Coalition for Core Arts Standards (NCCAS) and SEADAE launched the standards in June 2014. Wisconsin has not adopted these standards at this time. However, please review the standards in the areas of art, dance, media arts, music, and theatre, visit <http://www.nationalartsstandards.org/>. The current Wisconsin Academic Learning Standards are online at: [Art and Design Education](#), [Dance Education](#), [Music Education](#), [Theatre Education](#). **Districts are free to consider the new standards in their work if they choose.**



Disciplinary Literacy - Arts

Click on the boxes below to learn more about DL tools in the Arts.



Disciplinary Literacy is comprised of six tools to investigate each content area. Check the videos showcasing each tool with classroom ideas. For additional information click on the [Tip Sheet](#), [DL Arts Rubrics](#), and newsletter issues [2012-13 #7](#) & [#8](#). Each month a DL tool will be highlighted with strategies for the arts classroom.

Critical Thinking in the arts involves a deeper dive asking questions like the following with students:

- How was the piece created?
- Who is the composer/artist/author?
- Do I like the song? Why/Why not?
- Are there other pieces like this?
- If I could change this, what would I add or take away?
- Why was this piece created?



Youth Art Month - Ceremony

The Wisconsin Art Educators Association hosted the Youth Art Month ceremony in the Wisconsin Capitol on March 11, 2016. This included the exhibit of student artwork, a performance, and speakers sharing about the incredible opportunities in art. See the picture highlights below of the event. A special thank you to the WAEA board, council, parents, students, and community members who support arts education in Wisconsin.



Proclamation by Governor Walker



Tomah MS Show Choir



John Hendricks, Sparta Supt. shares about the value of art at the ceremony.



WI DPI Award Winner - Jenna Jonas, Wisconsin Rapids

Highlights

Arts celebrations this month have included concerts, art exhibits, professional development with teachers, and visits to schools. Here are some highlights.



Milwaukee Theatre Teen Council - Performance at Arts Day



Appleton East HS Choir—Performing at the Schools of Recognition event in Madison (Pictured with State Supt. Tony Evers)



Arts Staff Professional Development - CESA 7 Green Bay Area

Capitol Concerts - WSMA Showcase

Freedom HS Choir



Lakeside ES Choir - Madison



Waukesha West HS Choir



Wilson MS Jazz Ensemble—Appleton



Oregon Symphonic Winds and Percussion

State Superintendent Fine Arts Visits

State Superintendent Tony Evers visited fine arts programs at two Milwaukee schools in March in celebration of the March observances of Music in our Schools and Youth Art month. The day began at Bruce Guadalupe Community School, a charter school authorized by the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Dr. Evers and guests visited music and art classrooms at the middle and elementary school sites. The second school visited was Milwaukee Public School's Ronald Wilson Reagan College Preparatory High School. Theatre, music, and art classrooms were a part of the tour. A special thank you to the staff, students, and school communities of both schools for hosting these visits. Pictorial of visits—[Bruce Guadalupe Community School](#), [Ronald Reagan IB HS](#). [Press Release](#)



Les Paul Study Units - Celebrations



Les Paul, also known as the Wizard of Waukesha, was a musician, inventor, and sound pioneer. He is known for his work in multi-track recording, as well as various other music techniques that have contributed to the development of modern music as we know it today. He passed away at age 94 in 2009. The [Les Paul Foundation](#) has a website celebrating his life and accomplishments. In addition, there is a set of free online materials for educators to consider for their classrooms that investigate the life of Les Paul. The [Les Paul Study Units](#) were created by the WI DPI Fine Arts and Creativity department collaboratively with the Wisconsin School Music Association and the Les Paul Foundation. The study units investigate various aspects of Les' life and provide activities for students to engage in creating, listening, performing, writing, and reading activities. Please check the study units and [Les Paul Foundation](#) for more information.

This summer a session investigating the Les Paul study unit materials and a tour of Waukesha highlighting key points of Les Paul's life is scheduled for July 12, 2016, in Waukesha. To register, click on the link at the Wisconsin School Music Association - <http://wsmamusic.org/les-paul-the-wizard-of-waukesha-classroom-resources-field-trip/>.

Arts Organization News



[Wisconsin Arts Board News](#)



[Arts Wisconsin](#)



[NEA](#)



[Kennedy Center](#)



[The Wisconsin Dance Council](#)

[Wisconsin School Music Association;](#)
[NAFME](#)



[Alliance for Wisconsin Theatre Educators](#)



[AATE EdTA](#)



[WAEA, Visual Arts Classic, Youth Art Month Visioneers Design Challenge MAS Project; NAEA](#)



[NDEO](#)



Wisconsin FFA Agriculture Artwork Contest

The Wisconsin FFA convention is hosting an agricultural artwork contest June 13 - 16. 2D and 3D projects will be displayed at the convention. The purpose of this contest is to promote agriculture through art. This contest is open to all FFA members, as well as FFA Alumni members or FFA Advisors. Applications must be mailed by May 13. Cash prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place winners in each category. For additional details, check the [contests page](#) online registration form, complete, and mail by May 13 to:

Wrightstown High School
Attn: [Mr. Brian Pinchart](#)
Agriculture Artwork
P.O. Box 128
Wrightstown, WI 54180



Grants and Funding Resources

Here are resources to investigate for arts programming and materials.

Note: The following sites are listed as a public service, but the department has no control over their content. Links to these sites do not necessarily imply endorsement by the WI Department of Public Instruction.

Grant/Resources Links

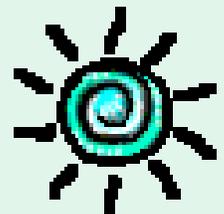
- [Discretionary Grant Application Packages](#), U.S. Department of Education
- [Federal Funding Options](#), U.S. Department of Education (Title 11A– Improving Teacher Quality)
- [Fundsnet Services](#)
- [NEA Grants](#)
- [Wisconsin Arts Board](#)
- Article - How to Get Free Teaching Materials by T. Snyder of Edutopia <http://www.edutopia.org/free-school-supplies-fundraising-donation>
- Dick Blick Donation Site - <http://www.dickblick.com/ara/>
- Meet the Masters—Art Grants - <http://meetthemasters.com/2010/09/14/art-education-grants-for-your-school/>
- STEM and grants on DPI page - <http://dpi.wi.gov/stem/grants>
- Sketchbook Project—Arts grants - <https://sketchbookproject.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/200905257-Grants-and-Other-Resources-for-Arts-Educators>

Questions regarding specific grant programs should be directed to the contact person listed on the grant program webpages. You may also wish to consider working with community centers about programming and resource support. There may be PTOs (Parent Teacher Organizations), Rotary Clubs, or other local options worth investigating. Continue to share your ideas and needs for resources within the Google Communities mentioned on page 6.

Summer Camps – Arts

A listing of summer camps and workshops for students is shared below. Please visit the sites that interest you for details. If you have additional camps or events focused on arts summer student opportunities, please forward to [Julie Palkowski](#) for future newsletter consideration.

- [Lawrence University Camps](#) - Appleton
- [Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum](#) - Year round programming for youth and families - Wausau
- [Middleton Recreation Division](#)
- MMSD site - [Year Round and Summer listings](#) of arts activities
- [MSCR Arts and Enrichment Program](#) - [Summer guide](#)
- [My Summer Camps](#) - Wisconsin listings
- [Shell Lake Arts Center Summer Programs](#) - Shell Lake
- [UW-Madison Summer Music Clinics](#) - Madison
- [UW-Green Bay Summer Camps](#) - Green Bay
- [UW-Stevens Point Summer Camps](#) - Stevens Point
- [UW-Whitewater Music Camps, Other Camps](#) - Whitewater
- [Viterbo University Camps and Workshops](#) (Camp Creative) - La Crosse; [Email](#) for details



Newsletter Feedback

Thank you for reading and using the DPI Fine Arts and Creativity Education Newsletter. Please share your feedback using the survey link below about the newsletter, its contents, and the future offerings you would like to see. Please enter your feedback by May 30, 2016. [Newsletter Feedback](#)



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[WIFACE](#) - arts education diigo links



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State Superintendent News



Events

Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction updates are provided online. Highlights recently posted include:

[DPI Site](#) - latest news and links

[Agenda 2017: Every Child a Graduate, College and Career Ready](#)

[DPI ConnectEd](#) - arts articles

- [WI DPI Fine Arts Professional Development Calendar](#)
- [Encouraging Upper Elem. Boys/ Girls to Sing session with Jim Heiks, June 15, 2016, CESA 7 Green Bay, Registration](#)
- [UW-Stevens Point Dance Productions](#)
- [VSA Wisconsin Events](#)
- [WCME Center Events](#)
- [Woodson Art Museum Teacher Resource Guide, Wausau](#)

Virtual Office Visits

April 12 2016, from 7-8 am and 11:30 am-12:30 pm. Click on the Today's Meet site to attend - [WIArtsEducators](#). [Tutorial](#)

NEW Fine Arts Professional Development

Visit the Fine Arts PD site for articles, resources, and videos focused on Fine Arts Education topics. Please share your suggestions for the site. Contact [Julie Palkowski](#) for additional options.

DPI Fine Arts Sites

- [Fine Arts and Creativity Education](#)
- [Fine Arts Pedagogy; Teacher Licensure](#) - fine arts
- Wisconsin Academic Standards posters:
 - [Art and Design](#)
 - [Music](#)
 - [Dance](#)
 - [Theatre](#)

Getting Connected

Consider joining the Google + Communities - Wisconsin Art Educators, Wisconsin Music Educators, and/or Wisconsin Theatre Educators. Set up a free [Gmail account](#), and then search within the [Google Communities](#).

As always, please share your ideas to help us foster arts excellence across Wisconsin.

- [Kudos](#) - Celebration news
- [From the Field](#) - Instruction
- [Creative Classrooms](#)



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