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Resources for the New School Year

Welcome to a new school year. I wish you an incredible year filled with opportunities to inspire others, share with colleagues and students, and engage in learning for your own practice. I have embedded fine arts education resources throughout this issue for your use. To learn about the multitude of materials and online resources available, click on the video box. Please let me know of additional paths of learning that may help you



in your work with students in the arts. Also consider becoming a part of a WI DPI Fine Arts Education Google Community. These communities are mentioned on page 3 and offer educators a place to ask questions, share resources, and to network. Thank you again for your work in the arts. Please continue to share your ideas to help me shape this and other resources for you.



-Julie

Kudos



The Viroqua Middle and High School's staff and students gathered on May 19th to celebrate the 200th anniversary of our National Anthem. Over 700 students and staff lined the field in Red, White and Blue to create a unique tribute to our Nation! Also check The Living Flag Time Lapse video. News shared by Brad Thew.



**ARROWHEAD
UNION HIGH SCHOOL**
"Something for Everyone"

The Arrowhead Instrumental Music and Art departments teamed up with the Milwaukee Ballet School and Academy for two performances in April. These performances included original live music from student

and professional musicians, original artwork created by the students inspired by the music, improvisation, and freshly choreographed dances, created for our dancers: students and professionals dancing side by side. News submitted by Jake Polanchik.

Congratulations to the St. Croix Falls School District who won the "What Makes Music Education Great in Our Schools" contest sponsored by NAMM. The school will receive a visit by the John Lennon Educational Tour Bus this school year. News submitted by Shawn Gudmunsen.



Sun Prairie School District student, Ben Sveum, alto saxophone player, received honorable mention for his performance at the Essentially Ellington Competition in New York in spring 2015. The Sun Prairie School Jazz Ensemble was invited to participate within the competition, as was the Beloit Memorial Jazz Ensemble. News submitted by Steve Sveum.

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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

Click on the pictures for each site.

NEW Fine Arts Professional Development

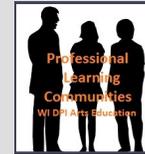
This WI DPI website offers fine arts education resources, videos, articles, and learning modules for use as individual learners, small group or large group study. Click the link to view and engage in the professional growth



The website provides instructional videos, articles, and resources for instruction.

WI DPI Arts Education Google Communities - Click to join.

- [WI DPI Art Educators](#)
- [WI DPI Dance Educators](#)
- [WI DPI Media Arts Educators](#)
- [WI DPI Music Educators](#)
- [WI DPI Theatre Educators](#)



Professional Learning Communities—WI DPI Fine Arts Education - The website has multiple arts education topics for individuals or professional learning communities to use.



National Coalition for CORE ARTS Standards

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. Check the [April newsletter](#) for more information.**



Pilot Testing of Cornerstone Assessments - [Model Cornerstone Assessments](#) for the National Core Arts Standards in each of the arts areas pilot work is being expanded. To learn more about this work and how to be involved, follow this link - [Model Cornerstone Assessments](#).

Disciplinary Literacy - Arts



The [Tip Sheet](#) provides [DL Arts Examples](#).

See the calendar at the [Fine Arts Professional Development](#) site. Contact [Julie Palkowski](#) if your district is interested in discussing face-to-face or networking options.

USING DL in your SLO

For fine arts educators considering a disciplinary literacy student learning objective for your work, check the [rubrics](#) created. These offer some assessment ideas in the areas of: reading, writing, listening, thinking, speaking, and performing in the arts.

Visit past newsletter issues [2012-13 #7 & #8](#) to learn more about DL and "Informational Text." Also visit [WI DPI Text Types](#), which includes informational text such as: music, art, and media resources.

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SLOs in the Arts

Resources and online materials:

- [Student Learning Objectives in the Arts PD site](#) provides all session materials and extension activities for learning.
- Fine Arts and Creativity newsletter issues - [2013 Issue #3](#), [Issue #4](#)
- [SLO in the Arts - Tip Sheet](#)
- [SLO Toolkit](#)
- [Wisconsin DPI SLO Site](#)
- [Updated Template \(Version 7\)](#)
- [Template and Critical Friends Document](#)

Wisconsin arts SLO examples and rubrics for:

- [Art](#)
- [Choir](#)
- [Dance](#)
- [Instrumental Music](#)
- [General Music](#)
- [Theatre](#)
- [Disciplinary Literacy SLO Rubric Examples](#)





Title - Music Production & Industry and Rock Band classes

Shared by – [Michael Hayden](#)

Description - Creativity plays a major role in Whitnall High School's Music Production & Industry and Rock Band classes. In each course, students develop abilities in critical thinking, problem solving, creativity, innovation, and collaboration. Both commercial music strands also help bridge the gap between in and out of school music. Finally, Music Production & Industry and Rock Band use popular music styles to engage students in relevant music making experiences that spark their creative imagination and empower life-long music making. See the videos about the courses—[Commercial Music Video](#) ; [Whitnall High School Commercial Music](#)



A 3-day festival for all school/collegiate percussionists, directors of school/collegiate band programs, and studio percussion teachers will feature guest artist, composer, educational clinician David Mancini and percussion-educator, Jim Sewrey. The festival is scheduled for November 6-8, 2015, at Carroll University in the Shattuck Music Center, on the campus of Carroll University in Waukesha hosted by Dr. Lawrence D. Harper. The cost-free educational percussion session requires advance registration. For more information contact [James Sewry](#).



The [Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra](#) (MSO) is pleased to offer a FREE professional recording of the "Star Spangled Banner" to all schools in Wisconsin for unlimited use at school functions including sporting events, assemblies, graduations, etc. Your school may use the recording as a file or burned onto a CD. To access the file, please use the following link: <http://www.mso.org/anthem>

Share News & Events

Do you have an instructional strategy, creative assessment method, or engaging classroom resources to share? Submit ideas to:

- [Kudos](#) - news of honors, events, and special arts awards
- [From the Field](#) - classroom strategy sharing
- [Creative Classrooms](#) - innovative strategies/resource



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 been hosting a year-round celebration of his life and accomplishments to highlight the 100th year anniversary of Les Paul's birth, June 9th. Here is a listing of the [events](#) surrounding the anniversary.

In addition to these events, a set of free online materials have been created for educators to consider for their classrooms to 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 are separated into four main parts, each investigating various aspects of Les' life and providing activities for students to engage in creating, listening, performing, writing, and reading activities. The study units were piloted with two Monona Grove School District music classes this past school year. Please check the study units and visit the Les Paul Foundation for more information about the events highlighting Wisconsin's Pioneer of Rock-n-Roll, Les Paul.

Wisconsin Arts Education



Here is a resource to share with your school communities. This document provides information about arts education programming in public schools. The piece provides important links to educator resources and to the pertaining WI administrative codes. The second page showcases a few examples of arts programming happening across the state. These examples have appeared in past newsletter issues. Click on either page to visit the online piece.



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[WIFACE](#) - arts education diigo links



State Superintendent News

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
- [Music Ed Best Communities](#) (April 2015)
- [Art/Music Month](#) (March 2015)
- [Lessons from an A Cappella Group](#) (October 2014)
- For [past fine arts education-related postings](#), click the link.

Statewide Conferences 2014

The conferences mentioned below are statewide professional development events focused on arts education. Please consider these opportunities to build your skills, knowledge, and networks. Here is a [letter](#) to share with your school administration, advocating for these opportunities for staff.

- [Alliance for Wisconsin Theatre Education](#) – Stevens Point, September 25, 2015
- [Wisconsin School Music Conference](#) – Madison, October 28-31, 2015
- [Wisconsin Art Education Association Conference](#) – Milwaukee, October 22-23, 2015

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](#)



Events

- [WI DPI Fine Arts Professional Development Calendar](#)
- [Milwaukee Art Museum events and educator resources](#)
- Sharon Lynne Wilson Center for the Arts, [Beyond the Classroom series](#),
- [UW Stevens Point Dance Productions](#)
- [VSA Wisconsin Events](#)
- [WCME Center Events, Professional Development Events](#)
- Wisconsin Arts Board—[Wisconsin Folk](#) site for events and artist lists.
- [Woodson Art Museum Teacher Resource Guide](#), Wausau
- [Wisconsin Teachers of Local Culture](#)
- [UW-Madison Arts Outreach Program](#) - Contact Sarah Schaffer, sarah.schaffer@wisc.edu.

Virtual Office Visits

Participate within an online office visit. Ask questions, listen, and share with Julie Palkowski and other fine arts colleagues. You can stay for the entire time or just a few minutes. Choose some visit options within the [survey online](#). You will be contacted with the final schedule for the virtual visits.

