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“Kudos” Wisconsin

Wisconsin has amazing arts opportunities occurring throughout the state. Proof of our arts education work is Wisconsin being recognized for participation in a [summit](#) with seven other states to discuss arts education. This opportunity helps us build a stronger network across the U.S. and as a result offers our state additional resources and ideas to consider as we continue to build arts education for all. See for yourself. A few arts education examples submitted by your colleagues from across the state are highlighted below and more news is available within pages 3-5. Consider sharing your arts and creativity celebrations, events, and collaborations from your school and district.

- [From the Field](#) - Instructional strategies and resource sharing
- [Kudos](#) - Celebrations, events, and collaboration news

I look forward to hearing about your fine arts activities and strategies. “Kudos” to the groups mentioned for sharing.

-Julie

Red Cedar Music Honors Band



Hayward, Rice Lake, Cumberland, Bloomer, Barron, Chetek/Wayerhauser

DC Everest and Wausau



VSA Residency

Greenbay



Community Arts Partnership

Ashwaubenon



Pioneer Fall Carnival

Eau Claire



Prime Products-Art Entrepreneurs

Fort Atkinson



Catfish Mural and Arts Sharing

Madison



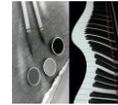
CMP Sharing

Hartford



The Elements of Art Night

Sun Prairie



CMP and Art sharing

Milwaukee



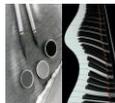
Capitol Choir Performance

Pewaukee



New Fine Arts Facility

Baraboo



CMP and Art sharing

Whitewater



Marching Band Competition

Madison



State Honors Music Concerts





Just in Time- Professional Development

A sample of videos from the [Teaching Channel](#) is available for your use. Please forward additional ideas for arts and creativity resources and videos for future newsletter consideration.



[Expressing Emotions through Dance](#) - Gr.6-8; 16 minute video. Students use movement to express emotion.



[Dramatic Interpretations of Poetry](#) - Gr. 6-8; 16 minute video. Students use tableaus to express poetry and emotions.



[Vocal Warm-ups](#) - Gr. 9-12; 10 minute video. Compose warm-ups to prepare singing.



[Animal Patterns](#) - Gr.K-2; 15 minute video. Students integrate understandings of science and math to create patterns for art piece.



Arts Standards Update

Dance, media arts, music, theatre, and visual arts core arts standards are being written by a team from across the U.S. A description of the team's work is available online at [NCCAS](#). This work will be available for review in early spring 2013. A review of the core arts standards will occur early next year for possible state adoption.

Creativity Education



Here are a few online resources for your use.

- [Wisconsin Task Force on Arts and Creativity Education](#)
- [DPI Creativity Education](#) website



[Considering Creativity - What exactly is creativity?](#) article



[Creative Process - Peer Feedback](#) - Gr. 3-5; 13 minute video. Students offer peer feedback on compositions.



Disciplinary Literacy Sites

Updates continue to be made on the sites. Visit and share any additional instructional strategies and resources which are helpful in exploring the arts through literacy tools - reading, writing, listening, thinking critically, and communicating.



Disciplinary Literacy

In Wisconsin, "disciplinary literacy is defined as the confluence of content knowledge, experiences, and skills merged with the ability to read, write, listen, speak, think critically and perform in a way that is meaningful within the context of a given field."



[Arts Essentials](#) - 57 minute video. Visit classrooms utilizing arts areas for critical thinking and problem solving skills.



[Jazz - Similes](#) - Gr. 4-5; 14 minute video. Students express ideas through similes, writing, and active listening.



Events

Events highlighting arts and creativity are mentioned below.

- [DPI Arts Education Sessions- Appleton Area](#) - January 24, 2013
RSVP by January 16, 2013
- [Lake Geneva Area](#) - January 31, 2013; RSVP by January 23, 2013
- [VSA Wisconsin Call for Art](#)
- [VSA Wisconsin Events](#)
- [WAEA Visual Arts Classic](#) - Register online now.
- [WCDA State Convention](#) January 11-12, 2012 (Milwaukee)
- [NBA- WC Conference](#) January 17-19, 2013 (Wisconsin Rapids)
- [WSMA Middle Level State Honors](#) registration starts Feb. 7, 2013



DPI Fine Arts Sites

The DPI sites below continue to be shaped. Please share your suggestions of content that would be most helpful to your work.

- [Creativity](#)
- [Fine Arts and Creativity Education](#)
- [Fine Arts Pedagogy](#)
- [Professional Arts Organizations](#)
- [Issue Papers/Resources](#)
- [Teacher Licensure](#) - fine arts
- Wisconsin Academic Standards poster
 - [Art and Design](#)
 - [Dance](#)
 - [Music](#)
 - [Theatre](#)



Inclusive Arts - Arts for All

Here are a few links to assist in your work with students needing strategy and/or resource adaptations in the arts.

- [Making Music Education Successful for the Exceptional Student](#)
- [Universal Design for Learning](#) - video (6 minutes)



Early Childhood and the Arts



[Part 2 Child Art: A Process to Engage](#) - 5 minute video. This video highlights the way in which PreK children get involved in art and teaching strategies to assist in their artistic development.

Research Articles/Videos:

- [Music and Intelligence in the Early Years](#) - by J. Feierabend, Ph.D.
- [Feierabend Folksong Picture Books](#) - (2 minute video)
- [Fact Sheet about Early Childhood Arts Benefits](#) - Americans for the Arts
- [Art in Early Childhood: Curriculum Connections](#) - article

Tech Tips



Check out the [Arts Education in Wisconsin](#) Facebook page. Arts articles, news, and events are highlighted within the site and updated periodically. Consider clicking “Like” for the page and sharing your comments to postings.



State Superintendent Tony Evers

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

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

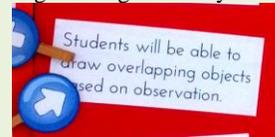


From the Field

Here are tips and lesson ideas from Wisconsin Arts Teachers. Feel free to email each person if you have additional questions about the ideas. If you would like to share a strategy for future newsletters, please go online and complete the “[From the Field](#)” idea form.

Essential Learning Targets - shared by [Sarah Higley](#) of Baraboo School District

Description – Targets are posted for each grade level for art within the classroom. For lessons, the teacher shares the main target and identifies with clothespin arrow markers. A re-cap of the goal is visited at the end of class for student reflection on their success meeting this target and any needs for support.



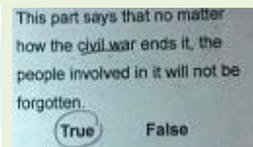
More ideas are available online- [Fine Arts Pedagogy - Art](#).

Lincoln Portrait - Understanding the Narration - shared by [Bruce Clawson](#) of Baraboo School District

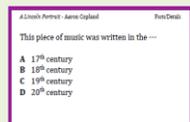
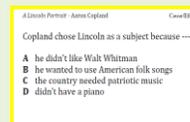
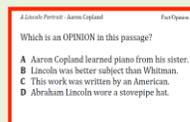
Description – The Lincoln Portrait is a musical composition by Aaron Copland with narration highlighting some of Abraham Lincoln’s speeches. This in-class activity was done in preparation of a Madison Symphony Orchestra concert visit.

Process -

- The teacher read the narration to the class.
- Students wrote words they didn’t understand on the white board.
- The class together defined unknown words.



- In pairs, the class re-read the narration, and answered the questions in the second column of the document.



- Vocabulary building cards were used and based on the readings developed by the Madison Symphony Orchestra. These were divided into different categories.

More details are available online - [Fine Arts Pedagogy- Music](#).



On the Road....

DPI Arts Education Sessions are scheduled for 2012-13. The purpose for each session is to provide an arts educator networking opportunity, introduce services available through DPI, and solicit feedback on arts and creativity state needs. Sessions are voluntary with no compensation available for travel or substitutes. Arts Educator Staff interested in attending may follow the link for the session they wish to attend and RSVP by the deadline. If your area is not represented, consider SKYPE, online networking, or phone conferencing. Also consider completing the [online feedback](#) form from the session questions. Contact [Julie Palkowski](#) for these options.

DPI Arts Education Sessions

- [Appleton Area](#) - January 24, 2013 from 3:45-5:00pm. RSVP by January 16, 2013 by 4pm.
- [Lake Geneva Area](#) - January 31, 2013 from 4-5:30pm. RSVP by January 23, 2013 by 4pm.
- [Madison Area](#) - February 21, 2013 from 4-5:30pm. RSVP by February 14, 2013 by 4pm.
- Westosha/Kenosha/ Racine Area - TBA
- La Crosse Area- TBA

WSMA Conductors Announced

WSMA Middle Level State Honors for 2013 will be lead by nationally recognized conductors Rick Bjella, Paul Ousley and Sam Hazo. Teachers are encouraged to register their dedicated middle level musicians to audition for this rewarding performance opportunity.



Sam Hazo



Paul Ousley



Rick Bjella

Teachers may register students for auditions via online registration through Thursday February 7, 2013. Auditions details and materials are posted at http://www.wsmamusic.org/programs/ml_honors/audition_details.htm. April auditions are scheduled at several locations across Wisconsin.



Arts Education Across Wisconsin



Red Cedar Music Honors Band Clinic - Hayward, WI Event News submitted by [Kirk Yudes](#) (Band Director – Lady Smith HS), [Jim Tabbert](#) (Band Director - Hayward HS). **The Red Cedar Music Honors Band Clinic** was held on November 13, 2012. The event included high school band students and the band directors from Hayward, Rice Lake, Cumberland, Bloomer, Barron, and Chetek/ Wayerhauser. The clinic offered a day of rehearsals with a night performance. Guest conductor Brian Diller, Associate Lecturer of Music at UW - Eau Claire, conducted the clinic.

DC Everest and Wausau School Districts - Event news **VSA Wisconsin** conducted Science Discoveries Arts Residency Programs with both DC Everest and Wausau School Districts in the integration of shadow puppetry and science. Students with special needs participated within these activities and were under the direction of Artist-in-Residence, Pam Corcoran. Several weeks of preparation by the students culminated into shadow puppet performances in December 2012.



Fort Atkinson School District - Event news submitted by [Angela Szabo](#) (Art Teacher) The Winter Farmers' and Art Market opened to community, business, and school district students, parents, and staff. The event was spread over three venues in December 2012 with student artwork exhibits and co-sponsored by the Fort Atkinson Area Chamber of Commerce and Arts Council. [News article](#) .

Pewaukee School District - Event News submitted by [Wendy Wong](#) (Art Teacher) Pewaukee School District celebrated the opening of their new **Visual and Performing Arts** facility with a weekend of events surrounding the arts. Events occurred on December 8th and 9th, 2012, with K-12 art exhibits, performances and tours of the new art spaces. [News article](#)



Arts Education Across Wisconsin



Ashwaubenon School District - Partnership News submitted by [Kathleen Kowalczyk](#) (Art Teacher)
The Pioneer Fall Carnival was sponsored by the PCTO in November 2012. This community partnership event highlighted student fall-themed artwork, a silent auction, and raffle to raise funds for school needs. There were numerous raffles and silent auctions that were contributed from staff, community, and 79 businesses which resulted in over \$10,000 being raised. Here are three art examples displayed at the Carnival.



Birch Trees by:
Nathan Moynihan -4th Grade



Corn Husk Dolls by:
Caden Dommer (l) - 5th Grade
Daniel Huhtala (r) - 5th Grade

Leaves Watercolor by
Collin Kerkhoff
-5th Grade



Fort Atkinson School District - Event News submitted by [Karen Gomez](#) (Art Teacher)
 In November 2012, Luther Elementary unveiled a large scale, mosaic work. This mural was part of the "Feed the Fish" coin drive, benefiting the Humane Society of Jefferson County. The mural was created by school students, staff, and parents with direction from Connie Bier, artist in residence, and Karen Gomez, art teacher. [News article 1](#), [News article 2](#)



"Catfish in the Moonlight"- Luther ES, Fort Atkinson

Eau Claire School District - School News submitted by [Kathy Bareis](#) (Art Teacher)
[Prime Products program](#) (video) is going into its 11th year. This program encourages 30+ students at DeLong Middle School to run a business, taking on leadership roles in the planning, developing resources and products, marketing, and periodic review of team goals. Students also identify planned giving to local charities of the groups' choosing. This extra-curricular program is directed by Kathy Bareis.



Examples of products created- clay penguins

Cullen Conolly creating penguins.



Clay magnets



Fort Atkinson School District - Event News submitted by [Craig Engstrom](#) (Choral Director)
The Fort Showcase Show Choir and Concert Choir Invitational is scheduled for February 8th and 9th, 2013. The event is sponsored by VOICES, Fort Atkinson High School's vocal booster club.



Hartford Union High School - Partnership News submitted by [Dawn Romano-Bloomer](#) (Art Teacher);
The Elements of Art Night is a community event which included an art exhibit and silent auction with proceeds benefiting the Kathy Hospice at Froedtert Health St. Joseph's Hospital. Pottery 1 students, under the direction of Dawn Romano-Bloomer, either participated within the exhibit or donated mugs. The event occurred at the Healing Element Day Spa. [Posting page 11](#)

