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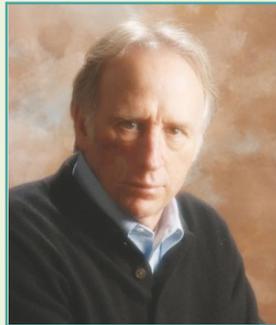
Greetings from the NH Arts Learning Network!

As we enjoy the remaining light-filled days of summer and anticipate the cool foggy mornings of early fall, this edition of the Dandelion highlights new arts learning opportunities for you and your students. The quote on the right, "Teaching is the art of changing the brain," reminds us that teaching is not about testing, not about grading, not about faculty meetings or brightly decorated bulletin boards. Teaching is about changing the brain; but whose brain needs changing? As you think about your response, are you discovering there are lots of brains with potential for change? Arts teachers teach with the brain in mind, with the whole child in mind, every day. Teachers of the arts, you are the brain-changers. The arts are your tools for activating brain-change. You have the power to impact incredible change for your students, your colleagues, your schools, your communities and for yourselves. Now, time to make it happen.

Teaching is the art of
changing the brain.
-James E. Zull

From The Art of Changing the Brain: Enriching the Practice of Teaching by Exploring the Biology of Learning by James E. Zull

Tracking changes in education, we are highlighting new guidelines from the US Department of Education related to the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), reauthorized under the title of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). As the year progresses, we will keep the New Hampshire Arts Learning Network website updated with links to arts-related opportunities associated with ESSA and keep you informed through the Dandelion. For starters, the **Arts Education Partnership (AEP)**, now housed at the **Education Commission of the States (ECS)**, provides a **series of links** on ESSA in general and arts education in particular.



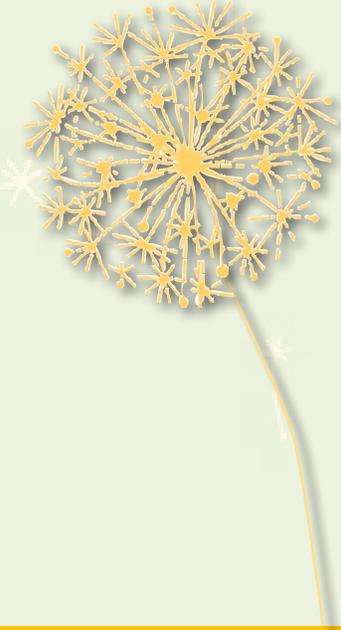
Van McLeod, Commissioner of NH Cultural Resources from 1992-2016 (November 16, 1945 - July 18, 2016)

In closing, it is with heavy hearts that we report the loss of **Commissioner Van McLeod**, who died on July 18, 2016. First appointed in 1992 to head the Department of Cultural Resources, which includes the State Council on the Arts, the Film and Television Office, the Division of Historical Resources and the State Library, he held the job throughout the rest of his life, making him the longest-tenured commissioner in office at the time of his death. He was a champion for the arts in New Hampshire and his lengthy time as commissioner is a tribute to his underlying belief in the power of the arts to create change.

Calls for Entry & Proposals

Request for Workshop Proposals: NH Arts Education Partnership Conference

Due August 23, 2016. Workshops representing all arts disciplines will be selected. There will be an effort to highlight NH Arts in Education roster artists who have been juried onto the roster during the past 3 years, however proposals are welcome from any experienced artist or



We welcome Julianne as the new Arts Council partner in our Arts Learning network!



The New Hampshire State Council on the Arts is pleased to announce that Julianne Gadoury has transitioned from the Heritage & Traditional Arts program into the role of Arts Education Coordinator. She brings a range of experience in cultural studies, art history, arts administration, education, and graphic design to the position.

Prior to joining the NH State Council on the Arts Julianne was an adjunct lecturer for the New Hampshire Institute of Art and Southern New Hampshire University. She has worked with nonprofit community organizations teaching and leading workshops, developing curriculum and advising on evaluation.

A New Hampshire native, Julianne earned her Masters of Fine Arts in Printmaking and a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies in Cultural Studies from Stony Brook University, New York. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Art History and in Studio Art from Marist College, New York.

educator. We encourage presenters to highlight creative and innovative practices and to make their workshops interactive.

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Grants, Awards, Artist & Job Opportunities

Job Opportunity: Nature Based Preschool Teacher

Prescott Farm Environmental Education Center in Laconia seeks a Preschool Teacher to join their team of environmental educators in their nature-based preschool program for children ages 3-5.

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The Lion King Experience Grant

Disney Theatrical Group will gift a limited number of accredited US public elementary schools with The Lion King Experience: KIDS Edition, and a limited number of US public middle schools with The Lion King Experience: JR. Edition, free of charge, semi-annually. The Fall 2016 deadline is October 1. Applicants will be notified by November 15th.

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Artist Residency Fellowships for Artists & Writers at the Vermont Studio Center

There are three annual fellowship deadlines (February 15th, June 15th, and October 1st), and the available awards differ at each deadline.

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Looking to do a Little First-hand Research to Help Support Your Teaching?

Edutopia has a list of travel grants for teachers POL teaching resources and lesson plans.

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Professional Development: Conferences, Workshops, Meetings & Webinars

“The Arts are Essential” NH Arts Education Partnership Conference, Nov. 11-12, 2016

A conference exploring how the arts are essential to a well-rounded education; contribute to a strong school culture and community climate; reach all learners; are integral for STEAM learning; and teach 21st Century skills. The conference will be held in Claremont, NH.

Featuring:

- Conference participation by local arts organizations including Claremont Opera House, West Claremont Center for the Arts, Claremont Makerspace, Amplified Arts, and more
- Friday Keynote address by **Stuart Kestenbaum, Maine Poet Laureate**, former Director of Haystack Mountain School of Craft
- Ensuring Access in Creative Youth Development with Zakiya Thomas, Education Director, Boston Ballet
- Performing Arts showcase & experts in the field including **NH Arts Education Roster Artists**
- Advocacy Lunch address & workshop by Matt Wilson, **Mass Creative**
- Pathways to STEAM Excellence: Essential Conditions for Success-Saturday Keynote address by 2016 NH School Principal of the Year, **Brian Pickering** and ConVal AIE coordinator, Amanda Bastoni
- Breakfasts and lunches provided by Common Man Restaurants
- CEUs offered for participation
- Information on grant writing and funding opportunities
- Networking and more!
- **Request for Workshop Proposals** in all arts disciplines are **due August 23, 2016**

The 22nd annual Arts Education Partnership Conference is a professional development and networking opportunity for educators, teaching artists, parents, and school leaders. The conference provides focused time and unique resources to encourage exploration of the power of the arts to improve learning and build community. The conference is organized by the NH State Council on the Arts in partnership with the Arts Alliance of Northern New Hampshire with significant contributions from an advisory committee of educators, artists, and com-

Spotlight: Raymond Coalition for Youth brings the Improbable Players to present theater piece on substance misuse



In partnership with the Raymond Middle and High Schools, the Raymond Coalition for Youth brought the Improbable Players to their 835 middle and high schoolers to address substance abuse during graduation and prom season. The project grew from one day to one week and included the performance at both schools as well as pre and post educational discussions.

They hoped that by sharing the story students who might need to ask for help or might feel isolated will know that they are not alone. They will feel more comfortable talking with others and asking for help if it is needed.

Middle school students surveyed post performance indicated that 44% of them knew someone with substance misuse issues. Students were given resource information on a wearable lanyard to take home.

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munity leaders; the NH Department of Education; the NH Arts Learning Network; and many community partners in the conference host city.

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Character Day: A Global Event for Exploring Social and Emotional Learning through Films, Discussions

Wednesday, August 17, 2016 @ 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm | Free Webinar. How do you disseminate ideas on the science of character, social emotional learning, and flourishing in today's world far and wide? Emmy-nominated filmmaker and founder of the Webby Awards Tiffany Shlain will speak about Character Day, a free annual day where students and educators from around the world screen films on the science of character development from different perspectives. Students dive into free printed discussion materials and join an online global conversation around character and the importance of developing character strengths (resilience, grit, empathy, courage, kindness) – all rooted in evidence-based research.

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UDL Workshops

The Arts Alliance of Northern NH and VSA NH are offering low-cost workshops for educators, teaching artists and all those interested in creativity, Universal Design for Learning, STEAM and the role the arts can play for all learners. These “Arts in Inclusive Learning” programs, presented in partnership with the NH Arts Learning Network, are offered under a contract with the John F. Kennedy Center. Customized workshops for schools or SAUs are also available, including training for paraprofessionals working with students in arts classes. Professional development hours are offered for all workshops, and partial scholarships are available to those who need them. Programs are also open to nonprofit staff, artists, parents and interested community members.

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Using Poetry to Reach All Students: A Workshop for Educators with Alice Fogel, NH Poet Laureate

Monday, August 22, 10am to 3pm, Conway Public Library. The workshop will help teachers at all grade levels and across subject areas understand the value of using poetry with their students, including those with significant learning disabilities. Alice will invite teachers to become readers and learners themselves, share exercises and tips, and lead a discussion of questions like: What if I don't “get” poetry myself? What am I missing when I read a poem? What makes a poem “good”? Can students find poetry relevant to their lives? Can I connect poetry to school subjects other than language arts? How do I grade a poem, or a student's reading of one? She'll also talk about where to find contemporary resources for age-appropriate poetry, how to separate students' reading and studying of published poems from their own attempts to write poems, and how to include actual elements of poetry in other school subjects, such as science, and vice versa.

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Creating an Inflatable Underwater World: A STEAM Workshop for Primary Educators

With intermedia artist C.M. Judge & Deborah Stuart. Same workshop in two locations:

Tuesday, August 23, Kimball Jenkins Estate, Concord

Wednesday, August 24, Lancaster Town Hall, Lancaster

Experience a dynamic, student-centered art project integrating environmental science, basic math concepts, tech design and fine art. Creating collaborative art projects, at their best, can be empowering and transformative for all those involved, regardless of their abilities or learning differences. Imagine a project that allows students to move from a sketch, to a scale model, to the creation of an immersive environment large enough to walk through! This hands-on workshop will take you through the entire creative process along with inter-curricular applications (drawing, movement, sound and music). Leave with clear, detailed handouts to guide you in the future.

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Creating A Green School: Inspiring Students Workshop

August 16-18, 2016, 8:15 am - 2:45 pm, at Rundlett Middle School, Concord, NH. Cost:

Can Testing Save Arts Education? Teachers Hope Exams will Make Arts Matter as Much as Math and English.

It sounded like an ordinary assignment for a visual arts class: Teacher Karen Ladd asked her freshmen at Sanborn Regional High School to research an artist, create a piece of art inspired by the artist's work and then write a reflection about the experience. Dressed in tank tops and shorts that heralded the arrival of summer weather, some students studied the assignment while others listened to headphones as they browsed for artists online. One girl begged to be allowed to use Bob Ross as her inspiration; another searched determinedly for paintings of bowling to use.

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CATA Gives Art Students a Voice

Article in the April issue of The Sound Magazine about the successes of the Cochecho Arts and Technology Academy in Dover, NH.

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\$90.00. This three-day workshop focuses on using the PLT Green Schools model to improve student learning and promote stewardship, and will include exploring specific investigations and activities around energy, water, waste and recycling, and environmental quality.

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PLAYA's Spring 2017 Residency Application period is now open.

The application deadline is September 1, 2016. The Spring 2017 residency season will run from January through June 2017 in Oregon. All residency sessions will begin on a Monday and end on a Friday. Applicants may choose between periods of 2 week, 4 week, or 8 week sessions with 8 week sessions reserved for international applicants. If you have questions regarding Playa's residencies, or the application process, email at info@playasummerlake.org.

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Mastering Your Mark Art Conference

September 24, 2016 in Hyannis, MA. This one-day conference for artists will feature demos, hands-on workshops, and sessions on the business of art, fostering your own creativity, and enhancing your technique. Sponsored by the Cape Cod Art Association.

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Register Now for the 2017 Write Now! Conference & Save

The Arts Alliance of Northern New Hampshire's annual conference for educators is set for Saturday, April 8, 2017. The theme: AMPLIFY! Digital Teaching and Learning. The presenters: Heinemann authors Katie Muhtaris and Kristin Ziemke. The location: Kennett High School, North Conway. Katie and Kristin will help amplify your literacy curriculum with guidance on explicitly teaching kids how to be effective digital readers and thinkers; giving students practice with closely reading images, infographics, and video; and emphasizing student ownership and creativity. Early-bird cost through September 30 is \$35/registrant (breakfast & lunch included), \$30 for teachers from AANNH member schools, \$25 for AANNH individual members.

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The 2016 Arts Education Partnership National Forum: The Arts Leading the Way to Students Success

Oct. 5-7 in Denver, Colo. at the Curtis Hotel. Some of the nation's most influential arts and education leaders will convene to explore arts-centered solutions as states across the country implement higher learning expectations aimed at ensuring America's young people leave high school ready for college, careers and citizenship. Registration is now open. There are a restricted number of hotel rooms at the discounted conference rate so [register today!](#)

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New Hampshire Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (NHASCD) presents The Power of Mindsets: Nurturing Students' Motivation, Resilience, and Learning

With Robert Brooks, Friday October 14, 2016, Grappone Center, Concord NH. Registration is now open.

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Art Inspiring Environments - NH Art Educators' Association 2016 State Conference

Featuring best selling NH author/illustrator Marty Kelley and NAEA Eastern Region VP June Krinsky-Rudder. Saturday, October 15th.

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NHMEA October Music Fest and Fall All-Member Meeting

Thursday October 16, 2016 - University of New Hampshire

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FREE Professional Art Workshop for all educators "Far From the Home I Love: Creating Artwork with a Sense of Place!"

At Plymouth State University on Thursday, October 20 at 4pm in the Draper Maynard Building in Room 311. Hear about ways you can involve your school in a state-wide art exhibit, held in conjunction with PSU's 2017 Educational Theatre Production of "Fiddler on the Roof" and engage in a hands on visual art experience with art educator Denise Plante-Renaud. All mate-

Summer Arts Enrichment Program at Hampton Arts Academy



Day 1: Mosaics. Pictured: Calvin Duffy, John Greene, Trinity Minard, Zoe Purdie, Dylan Swain, Fiona Marshall, Abigail Carreiro, Mcdonagh (Mickey) Eaton, Julia Chenard, Campbell Parish, and Gabriela (Gabby) Todaro.

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Day 4 Comic Art. Pictured: John Greene and Zoe Purdie.

Photographer: John Gebhart

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Send us your arts learning news, events & photos so we can share them on our website and in the next Dandelion.

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rials will be provided. Information about the MEd in Integrated Arts and (for those who already have their masters) the CAGS (Certificate in Graduate Study) in Arts, Leadership and Learning will be available as well as an opportunity to meet with Integrated Arts Coordinator, Dr. Trish Lindberg to discuss opportunities for graduate study in the arts integration at Plymouth State. Everyone is welcome! Please email Robb Dimmick (ribooks@aol.com) to RSVP and confirm your attendance

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SEADAE Arts Assessment Symposium

Advances in Arts Assessment, an historic conference event for Arts Educators K-12 through higher ed administrators, curriculum directors and stakeholders. November 11th & 12th 2016, Gaylord Texan Resort and Conference Center, Grapevine, Texas, just outside of Dallas. Presenters from New Hampshire include Suzanne Canali, NHIA; Dr. Mark DeTurk, UNH; Brian Fanning, Weare Middle School; and Marcia McCaffrey, NH Dept. of Ed.

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Coalition of Essential Schools Fall Forum

Fall Forum 2016 will take place December 2 and 3 in Providence, RI. It will highlight the strength and success of progressive education, gathering teams from schools across the country and national thinkers for two days of networking, professional learning and movement building.

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Opportunities, Activities & Scholarships for Students

Registration Open August 17 for NH Poetry Out Loud

NH Poetry Out Loud encourages youth to learn about great poetry through memorization and performance. This program helps students master public speaking skills, build self-confidence, and learn about their literary heritage. Poetry Out Loud builds on the spoken word as an art form, inviting the dynamic aspects of slam poetry, spoken word, and theater into the classroom. All high school — public, private, or parochial, as well as home school groups — are welcome to participate. There is no fee for your school to register or participate and all materials are provided free of charge. Registration will open on August 17, and will close after we reach our capacity at 40 schools.

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Symphony NH Expands Benefits for Arts Educators and Students Across the State

Symphony NH celebrates its 93rd season with expanded discounts and benefits to arts educators and students. In addition to the organization's state-wide "Picture This" education program, arts educators and students can now receive increased discounts to Symphony NH's 2016-17 season concerts in Nashua, Concord, Lebanon, and Peterborough. Symphony NH will continue to offer free tickets for youth under 15, but for the orchestra's 2016-17 season, students in high school and college will receive \$10 tickets and arts educators will receive a 10% discount on regular ticket prices.

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2016 Faculty Exhibit: Roots and Growth

September 6-October 7, Opening Reception Tuesday, September 6, 4-6pm, with welcome remarks 4:30pm. This exhibit will give insight into how PSU Art Faculty artists evolve and sustain their practices, which include ongoing processes of invention and response.

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Museum of the White Mountains at Plymouth State University Upcoming Events

Sept 21: 4pm, June Hammond Rowan: "Mountain Summers". What was it like to visit the White Mountains in the late 1800s, and what did the women visitors do when they came here?

Sept 22: 9:30-11am, Artist demonstration: Lauren Sansaricq. Techniques of the 19th Century White Mountain Painters.

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The New Hampshire Arts Learning Network is a collaborative of individuals, organizations and groups with a common interest in arts education, working to support quality arts learning for all students in New Hampshire by sharing information, resources, and services. It is about connecting people, places and ideas so that all our students have access to the arts.

REGISTER to become a member of the NH Arts Learning Network. It's free.



Sept 28: 6:30-7:30pm, Bob Cottrell and Sally Manikian. She's the top dog: Stories of women and their dog teams.

Oct 5: 11:15-12:15pm, Snow Bound: The Making of an Artist's Book - Laurie Whitehill. Museum of the White Mountains, 34 Highland Street, Plymouth NH.

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Resources & Articles for Students, Teachers & Parents

New Hampshire Music Educators' Summer Quarter Notes Newsletter

Articles on Music Assessments in Competency-Based Education; Advocacy Outreach to Laco-
nia School District to reinstate band education; upcoming professional development opportu-
nities

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Tone Maps, Connotation, In Another's Voice...

The National Endowment for the Arts has many free lesson plans for sharing poetry in your Curriculum.

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NEA Webinar on Evaluation

In July the NEA hosted an excellent webinar on evaluation in arts education and creative youth development programs. Get your sketch pad and crayons out, there's lots to take notes on.

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Finding Time for Art, The Challenges of Being A Teaching Artist

NEA Article on teaching artists

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Impact of Music Education on Learning Outcomes

The most recent issue of the Arts in Education newsletter – a publication from the U.S. Department of Education's (ED) Office of Innovation and Improvement, Parental Options and Improvement programs – features an article that discusses the impact of music education on learning outcomes for students, particularly those related to literacy skills. The publication also provides news, information and resources on the latest developments for the arts in education that is both practical and motivational.

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Liz Zadnik on More Fun with Accessibility!

Learning happens in multiple ways and different parts of the human brain. Effective learning environments acknowledge and create opportunities for all of these different parts and processes to engage with the content or activities.

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CAST offers a Number of Free Tools

Provided by the Center for Applied Special Technology based on their research projects to help professionals create and support flexible learning environments.

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The National Center on Universal Design for Learning

Offers guidelines in a number of formats and languages.

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Colorado State University's Access Project

Has practical resources for professionals in higher education.

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