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# MDOE arts ed newsletter



## GREETINGS FROM ARGY'S CUBBY

with a view of the STATE HOUSE DOME at the Department of Education

### STATEWIDE ARTS EDUCATION CENSUS

Last year a three year study was launched surveying Maine arts educators. If you did not fill out the survey please go online by **Nov. 25th** and do so. All dance, music, theater and visual arts educators in Gr. K-12 are invited to participate. This info will help to determine the work to improve teaching & learning. FMI, instructions, links to the survey, please go to the Maine Alliance for Arts Ed.

[www.maineartseducation.org](http://www.maineartseducation.org)

Your participation is appreciated!

### REGIONAL MEETINGS

Maine Dept. of Ed. is planning regional opportunities for all VPA educators in Jan., Feb. and March. Plans are being made for each of the nine superintendents regions throughout Maine. Details will be announced in future newsletters.

Kennebec Valley region invites educators to Colby College Museum of Art in Waterville, Dec. 11, 4:30-6PM. Curator of Ed., Lauren Lessing will share resources. FMI contact Suzanne Goulet [sgoulet@fc.wtvl.k12.me.us](mailto:sgoulet@fc.wtvl.k12.me.us)

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**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

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- No matter what language we speak, what color we are, the form of our politics or the expression of our love and our faith, music proves: We are the same.

John Denver

## PROFESSIONAL DEV OPPS

\*\*Gifted and Talented Courses USM  
*Mentor Workshop* for 1st & 2nd year G/T teachers/coord: Nov. 20, 8:30-3PM, FMI contact Patti Drapeau [ptdrapeau@aol.com](mailto:ptdrapeau@aol.com)

*Models in Gifted Education* offered through the compressed video system: Jan.23,24, Feb. 6,7,27,28 March 20,21, April 3  
*Institute for Program Planners in Ed. of the Gifted & Talented*, onsite in Augusta, July 13-17.  
*Differentiation of Instruction: Practical Strategies for Meeting the Needs of Diverse Learners, K-12*, offered through the compressed video system, July 20-24.

*Critical and Creative Thinking in the Classroom*, onsite in Lewiston/Auburn, July 27-31.

\*\*Nantucket Island School of Design and the Arts. Non-profit org. offering courses & workshops in July/ Aug. Prof. dev. or grad. credits available. FMI [www.nisda.org](http://www.nisda.org)

## VIDEO LINK and ARTICLE

\*\*AWESOME INTERVIEW  
[www.pbs.org/moyers/journal/10242008/watch3.html](http://www.pbs.org/moyers/journal/10242008/watch3.html)

\*\**Time Invested in Practicing Pays Off For Young Musicians, Research Shows*. Science Daily, 11-5 [www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2008/11/081104132916.htm](http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2008/11/081104132916.htm)

## ARTIST

Fiber artist Sarah Haskell started an interesting global interactive art project. FMI [www.sarahhaskell.wovenoices](http://www.sarahhaskell.wovenoices)

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## GIFTED & TALENTED PLANS

Visual & Performing Arts Gifted & Talented plans are due at the Maine Dept. of Ed. by Nov. 30th. Sixty eight educators attended the session that Carol Trimble from Maine Alliance for Arts Education (MAAE), Paul Faria from Maine Arts Commission (MAC) and I presented recently at the Maine Gifted & Talented conference. We shared many resources. You can learn about these and other resources at the MAC site <http://mainearts.maine.gov/> MAAE [www.maineartseducation.org/](http://www.maineartseducation.org/) and MDOE [www.maine.gov/education/lres/vpa/](http://www.maine.gov/education/lres/vpa/) webpages.

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

\*\**Middle School Art Teacher*, Bonny Eagle School District: MSAD 6, Buxton, Frye Island, Hollis, Limington, Standish. Download application at [www.sad6.k12.me.us](http://www.sad6.k12.me.us) For application requirements [www.ServingSchools.com](http://www.ServingSchools.com)

\*\**Bates College*, Department of Education, seeking applicants for a continuing Lecturer position, beginning Sept. 2009. FMI [academicservices@bates.edu](mailto:academicservices@bates.edu) Review of applicants begins Dec. 12th, continues until the position is filled. Submit letter of application, curriculum vitae, graduate school transcripts, and 3 letters of recommendations to: Ed. Dept. Lecturer Search Committee R2495, c/o Bates College Academic Services, 2 Andrews Rd., 7 Lane Hall, Lewiston, ME 04240

## F I L M F E S T I V A L

The 6th ME Telemark Film Festival, Nov. 21, Bowdoin College Kresge Auditorium, 7PM.

## RECOGNIZE ARTS EDUCATORS

*Cable's Leaders in Learning Awards* is an opportunity to recognize local partnerships in education and your community. Deadline: Dec.17th. FMI [www.leadersinlearningawards.org/app/Encourage.aspx](http://www.leadersinlearningawards.org/app/Encourage.aspx)

## STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

Maine Academy of Staged Combat with Maine's only Fight Director Mark Bedell. One, two and three hour classes, once or twice a week, 8 week sessions. "Action Theatre" for 10-14 year-olds. Beginner & advanced classes for high school students. Master classes for teachers. FMI [www.Fight-Director.org](http://www.Fight-Director.org)

## WORLD MOVIE PREMIERE

"Maine Built Boats: Art & Soul" Nov. 20, 7PM, \$10, Strand Theatre, Rockland. Movie examines and celebrates Maine's 400 year old boatbuilding industry. Reception following at Eric Hopkins Gallery, 21 Winter St.

## WEBINAR w/ STEVE SEIDEL

Dir. of Harvard's Project Zero & Dir. of Harvard's Arts in Ed. Grad program will present findings from: *Qualities of Quality, Excellence in Arts Education and How to Achieve It*. Dec. 17, 2PM. <http://eo2.commpartners.com/users/afta/session.php?id=1799>

