

Register Now! Free Teacher Workshops **Saturday, March 11, 9:30 am to noon**

Making and Using Handmade Books

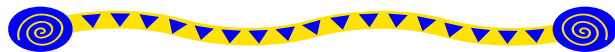
Arts Partners teaching artist Pamela Lamont will lead this participatory workshop. Students enjoy making handmade books and their books provide good motivation and opportunities for writing projects. Learn how to make, and teach your students how to make, several kinds of handmade books and how to use them to enhance writing skills. While many of the samples we'll share are from the middle school level, upper elementary students and high school students also enjoy making handmade books.

Puppets and Creative Dramatics, Story & Song

Teaching artist Amy Woolf will model, and teachers will participate in, a variety of ways to use puppets to act out and retell stories and songs. While the focus will be on 3-5 year olds, the workshop should be of benefit to Pre-K-Grade 2 teachers.

Location: Joyce Focht Instructional Support Center, 412 S. Main, Wichita 67202

To register: USD 259 teachers, register on <http://www.mylearningplan.com/>.
Andover teachers, email (liz@artspartnerswichita.org) or call (262-4771) the Arts Partners office to register.



New Exhibition Opens at Indian Center Museum *The Dancing Figure: Interpretations of Ceremony* **Open Through March 31, 2006**

This show takes a look at how Native American dance is portrayed through art. It includes two-dimensional work and kachinas from the museum's collection. For more information about the Indian Center and group tours contact Yvonne at 262-5221. The museum also includes exhibitions devoted to the Plains Indians, the Wichita Tribe, and well-known Native American artists Blackbear Bosin and Woody Crumbo.

Quotation of the Month

"A strong impetus for using the arts to teach reading comprehension strategies is that they engage students in multifaceted experiences."

Weaving Through Words

- Looking Ahead -
Historical Museum to Host *K is for Kansas* Exhibit
Educator Preview: April 20, 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Teachers of grades 2 through 5 are invited to an educator preview of the *K is for Kansas* exhibit at the Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum, 204 S. Main, on Thursday, April 20, 2006, from 4 to 6 pm. The exhibit will be available for teacher-guided class visits beginning April 25.

The exhibit uses large alphabet blocks to explore the natural and cultural history of Kansas from "aviation" to "Z-Bar Ranch." A block for each letter of the alphabet contains artifacts, maps, and illustrations of the people, places, animals, and plants of Kansas. The exhibit was organized and produced by the Kauffman Museum at Bethel College and will be on view in Wichita through July 9.

The special school group admission fee is \$2 per person. Teachers may lead group activities using worksheets available in the exhibit to address reading, writing, geography, critical thinking, and creativity skills.

Advance reservations for teacher-guided class visits are required. For further information and to schedule your visit, please call 265-9314.



**Brett Valiant Organ Concert
for Young People**

Thursday, May 18, 1:00-1:45 p.m.
FREE, with reservations

Are you planning a field trip to celebrate the last days of the school year? Do you want to include a chance for your students to experience an inspiring musical performance? Organist Brett Valiant fell in love with the pipe organ when he was four years old and started playing for his church when he was eleven. Today, he is proficient in classical, jazz, and popular music and has performed nationally and internationally. Enjoy a captivating concert as Brett demonstrates why Mozart titled the pipe organ "The King of Instruments."

Advance reservations are required. Reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis May 1-12. The concert will be held at the First United Methodist Church at 330 North Broadway in downtown Wichita. Reservation forms were distributed at the KMEA music educators' conference so your music teacher may have one. For a reservation form, or further information, call Irene Shaw at 733-0323. The concert is underwritten by the Wichita Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, POPs for KIDS project, in cooperation with First United Methodist Church.

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