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eNews and Views

Celebrating 10 Years 1997-2007

Arts Partners Artists' Showcase Tuesday, September 4, 2007

Session I: 10:30 a.m. to noon - Session II: 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Location: CityArts, 334 N. Mead in Old Town

Arts Partners staff, artists, and partnering organizations will provide information on new artists and programs, curriculum connections, reaching learners with diverse learning styles, and professional development opportunities. Arts Partners artists will discuss/demonstrate their programs. There will be a book display of children's books and books about integrating the arts and literature across the curriculum. Arts Partners schools and schools interested in learning more about Arts Partners should send 1-5+ representatives to Session I (AM) or Session II (PM) of the Arts Partners Artists' Showcase on Tuesday, September 4, 2007. Register on <http://www.mylearningplan.com/> or email liz@artspartnerswichita.org to confirm your attendance. There will be a bag of Arts Partners directories for every school in the district. Partnership schools will receive budgets and other information as well.

Arts Partners

Free Professional Development Workshop

6-8:30 p.m., Thursday, September 6, 2007

**Emergent Literacy & Character Education With Stories and Puppets
for teachers of 3-5 year olds**

Instructor: Storyteller Judy Nichols, Arts Partners teaching artist

Location: Room 225, Joyce Focht Instruction Support Center, 412 S. Main

Description: This workshop introduces storytelling and puppetry techniques for early childhood educators that support emergent literacy skills and promote positive character traits, such as caring, integrity, respect, responsibility, and self discipline. This participatory session includes discussion, demonstration, hands-on activities, songs, fingerplays, flannelboards, and storytelling tips that teachers can use immediately in their classrooms. Handout packet includes: resources and words to fingerplays and activities. Participants should bring a puppet they use with children.

In-service Approval: The workshop has been approved by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment for 2¼ clock hours.

Register: <http://www.mylearningplan.com/>

Quotation of the Month

"The arts teach many of the skills, aptitudes and values that are at the heart of America's growing 'creative' economy and beyond."

Sir Ken Robinson, author of *Out of Our Minds: Learning To Be Creative*

More Arts Partners Free Professional Development Workshops

Saturday, September 22, 2007, from 10 a.m. to noon

Art of Pre-Columbian Latin America in the Collection of the Wichita Art Museum

Instructors: Andrea Keppers, Director of Education, Wichita Art Museum, and others

Location: Wichita Art Museum, 1400 West Museum Boulevard

Description: Join Wichita Art Museum staff and local experts as they present the background and highlights of the Museum's permanent study gallery of Pre-Columbian Latin American artifacts. On display are examples from cultures such as the Colima, Maya, and Mixtec. Learn helpful ways to present the material to students of all ages both in the classroom and in the Museum. The collection is teachable across many curriculums, including art, multicultural and social studies, science, and language arts. Information on available tours and other museum activities will be discussed and a teacher's packet containing supplemental information and digital images is included. Coffee, water and light snacks will be provided.

Register: <http://www.mylearningplan.com/>

Thursday, November 8, 2007, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Art of the Needle: Masterpiece Quilts from the Shelburne Museum

Instructors: Andrea Keppers, Director of Education, Wichita Art Museum, and others

Location: Wichita Art Museum, 1400 West Museum Boulevard

Description: Quilts and quilting have a long and important history in America, across time, geography, and cultures. Local quiltmakers and historians will present a variety of quilt techniques, styles, and historical themes to better prepare your students. The exhibition, *Art of the Needle: Masterpiece Quilts from the Shelburne Museum*, runs October 14, 2007 - January 13, 2008, and contains the finest examples of American quilts, some dating back to the 18th century. The stories and techniques employed in quilting make this exhibition germane to students of history, mathematics, art, family and consumer sciences, and social studies. Information on available tours and other museum activities will be discussed and a teacher's packet containing supplemental information and digital images is included. Coffee, water and light snacks will be provided.

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Web Resource of the Month

2007-2008 Arts Partners Program and Community Resources Directory

<http://artspartnerswichita.org/search/directory.html>

You can download your own copies of the Elementary and Secondary editions of the *2007-2008 Arts Partners Program and Community Resources Directory* on our Web site.

Did You Know?

Fast Facts About Arts Partners

Organization: Arts Partners is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to providing opportunities for students to learn in and through the arts.

Vision: To inspire children to learn and create

Mission: The mission of Arts Partners is to enhance children's learning by integrating the arts into the PreK-12 curriculum in collaboration with educational, civic and cultural organizations.

Arts and Cultural Partners: Arts Partners works in partnership with Wichita's arts and cultural organizations, (two dozen organizations, plus Wichita State, Newman, and Friends), the digital media division of Butler Community College, and professional artists to develop programs that introduce students to the visual, literary, and performing arts while reinforcing learning in other areas of the curriculum, including reading, writing, math, social studies, and science.

Other Partners: The partnership also includes the Wichita and Andover school districts, The Opportunity Project (TOP) Early Learning Center and other early childhood centers, teaching artists, and funders.

What's New for 2007-2008?

New artists on the Arts Partners roster, new programs from experienced Arts Partners artists, new programs brought to your schools by our partnering organizations, and much more! Learn all about it at the Arts Partners Showcase on September 4th at CityArts, one of our partnering organizations. CityArts is located at 334 N. Mead in Old Town. There is free parking on the street and in the parking garage across Old Town Square from CityArts. For additional information, call Arts Partners, 262-4771.

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