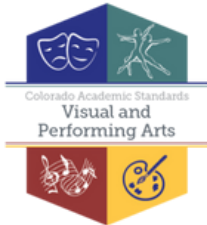


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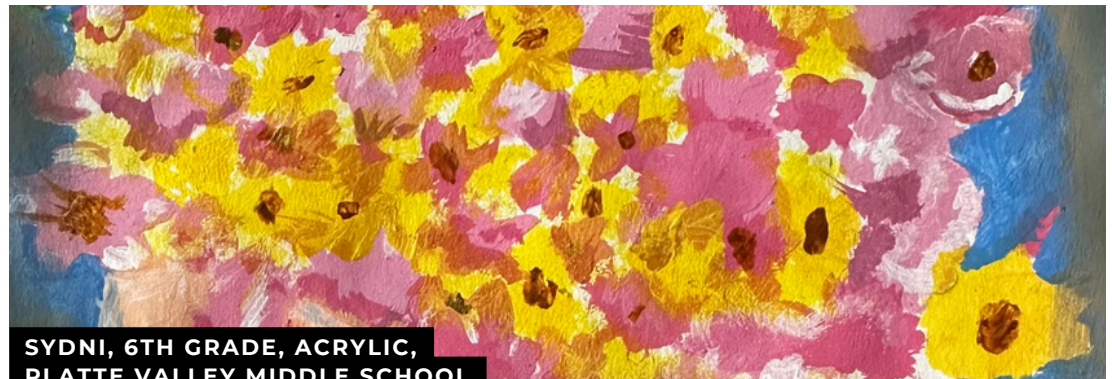
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News from CDE



HAPPENING SOON: ARTS THINK TANK

The next Arts Think Tank meeting will take place this month, virtually, on **February 12th from 12:30-2:00pm.**

If you are interested in joining the conversation and you haven't already received the meeting link, email Carla at Aguilar_c@cde.state.co.us

Arts Webinar: Trauma Informed Practices in the Arts Classroom

April 21, 2025, from 1:00–2:30 PM

The CDE Arts team is excited to pilot a new program designed to support early-career educators, alternative certification candidates, and veteran teachers new to the state. Our first session will feature a discussion on integrating Trauma-Informed Practices (TIPs) into Music, Dance, Drama, and Visual Arts classrooms.

If you are a district arts coordinator, instructional coach, or arts teacher passionate about this topic, we invite you to join us! **Register here.**

News from CDE, continued



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Spring Distinguished Speaker Series

With the day-to-day stressors of managing Covid receding, new (and not-so-new) pressures on K-12 education are swirling. The Colorado Department of Education is excited to bring back the wildly popular Distinguished Speakers Series to help you be highly effective and inspired in the work you do each day. Continuing this Spring, there is an amazing virtual line up of some of the country's leading voices on what students and educators need NOW to help our schools succeed. Registration is free, but space is limited. [**Register here.**](#)

Tuesday, February 18, 2025, 3:30-4:30 pm MST

Jennifer Abrams: Having Hard Conversations

Tuesday, February 25, 2025, 3:30-4:30 pm MST

Dr. Monica Burns: Navigating the AI Revolution as Educators

Tuesday, March 4, 2025, 3:30-4:30 pm MST

Jose Luis Navarro: Restorative Practices that Empower, Engage & Build Belonging



CDE Technology Webinar Series

CDE invites all K12 educators to join us for a free professional learning series focused on innovating instruction in K-12 classrooms. Each week, facilitators from CDE and other organizations will lead engaging sessions on topics such as how to integrate the three newest computer science standards - AI (Artificial Intelligence), Digital Citizenship, and Cybersecurity. Professional learning certificates will be available for all who attend.

[**Register Here.**](#)

February 5th: AI with Pear Deck

February 12th: Teach Engineering with NCWIT

February 19th: Apple This session will not be recorded, so be sure to join us LIVE!

Colorado Happenings for Teachers and District Leaders



CAEA 2025 MIDWinter Classes

Saturday, March 1st, 2025

9:00 am-3:30pm at Arapahoe Community College

Visit the CAEA website for more information on studio workshops and guest artists. [Register Here](#)

For Questions, email Lisa Adams at lisaadams808@gmail.com



2025 ArtSource Summer Residency

The ArtSource Summer Residency is a 5 day intensive cohort of 15 - 30 people. The small group allows for deep investigation of themes as well as an opportunity to get to know each other differently than in our day to day work as Art Educators.

Location: Western Colorado University, Gunnison, CO

June 22-27, 2025

The residency has reached capacity, however, you can join the [waitlist here](#).



Save the Date: 2025 Institute for Creative Teaching



Join us for the 2025 Institute for Creative Teaching (ICT), where you'll explore these themes such as home, belonging, space, and place through various disciplines that will nurture your teaching and artistic practices. You'll be joined by keynote speakers [Danielle SeeWalker](#) and [Helanius J. Wilkins](#), alongside other teaching artists and practitioners who will lead you through this hands-on experience.

Registration opens in early March. Region-specific scholarships and on-campus lodging will be available. More information coming soon.

This program is open to educators of all subject areas and grade levels. Participants will earn up to 21 hours toward educator re-licensure and will have the option of registering for 1 continuing education graduate credit from UNC for a small additional fee.

Please email alex@think360arts.org with any questions.

Colorado Happenings for Students

RmCAD

ROCKY MOUNTAIN COLLEGE OF ART + DESIGN

Visiting Artist Series

RMCAD's 2024/2025 VASD Program Series presents a view into the often-unseen influences that contribute to creating exceptional art and design. Join us for talks from the following artists.

MINDY JOHNSON

February 11, 2025 at 5:30pm

BISA BUTLER

April 8, 2025 at 5:30pm

All artist talks are free and open to the public and are offered in person on RMCAD's campus (1600 Pierce Street, Denver) and via livestream. Registration is for both in-person attendance and livestream viewing. Pre-event registration is highly encouraged as many events reach capacity.

Registration and additional information can be found [here](#).



Call for Student Performing Artists

The U.S. Department of Education has a Student Performing Arts Initiative (SPAI) and maintains an ongoing repository of student performing arts talent, which may be matched to specific events that amplify the mission and initiatives of the Department.

The Department is seeking student performances such as, but not limited to, bands/marching bands, color guards, soloists, choirs, dancers, poets/spoken word artists, National Anthem singers, and theatrical performers.

Please utilize this [link](#), for additional information that includes Frequently Asked Questions, submission instructions, and other related guidance.

If you require a reasonable accommodation to complete your submission and/or answer any related questions, please email studentart@ed.gov.



Denver Chalk Art Festival 2025

The Denver Chalk Art Festival is an award-winning event that will transform Denver's historical museum district into a colorful street museum. Over the course of two days, 200 professional, amateur, and student artists captivate audiences as they take to the pavement armed with vivid soft pastels and spend hours drawing on their hands and knees. Thousands of festival attendees enjoy food and live music as they watch beautiful chalk pieces come to life. The event is produced by Denver Chalk Art and CherryArts, a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting arts awareness and education in Denver.

The festival will run from 10:00 am - 8:00 pm on **June 7-8, 2025**.

The artist registration **deadline is March 31, 2025** and can be found [here](#).

Happenings for Students, continued

CSU Trumpet Day



This event, held on **Saturday, March 1, 2025** at CSU, University Center for the Arts, 1400 Remington St. Fort Collins, is designed for trumpet players of all ages and experiences who are looking for an in-person event that inspires their love of music and all things trumpet. Trumpet students, teachers, performers, and band directors in Colorado are invited to attend this annual event hosted by CSU trumpet professor Dr. Stanley Curtis. The event features special guests who will discuss their careers and ideas on trumpet playing.

The Trumpet Day Étude Competition is open to all high school trumpeters with a prize of \$300. Students must submit a recording of their étude with their registration by midnight, **Sunday, Feb. 23**. Up to eight finalists will be accepted to the final live round. You can find more information [here](#).

Be A Voice Music Major for a Day

Join us at CSU, University Center for the Arts, 1400 Remington St. Fort Collins on **Monday, March 3, 2025**.

At this event, students will experience a day in the life of a music major in the voice area! The day is an opportunity for high school and transfer students to see what it is like to be a music major at CSU. Participants will:

- Attend a choir rehearsal, opera performance, and a class within a degree area (Bachelor of Music in Music Education, Music Therapy, Performance, or Bachelor of Arts in Music)
- Find out about the music major application and audition process.
- Have lunch with current students (Please bring \$10/person; parents and chaperones on your own for lunch)
- Voice lesson with a faculty member.

Parents/guardians are welcome! See more [here](#).

Rocky Mountain Saxophone Summit

Join us at CSU's University Center for the Arts on Saturday, **March 8, 2025, 8:30 a.m.-4:45 p.m.**

The Rocky Mountain Saxophone Summit features professors and students from Front Range universities in clinics, masterclasses, and performances. Free and open to the public, the summit is a great opportunity for saxophonists of all ages and levels to learn about the technical and expressive aspects of playing and practicing while listening to great performances from top-notch professionals around the region. We hope you will join us for this special event!

The Summit Potpourri Concert will be in the evening in the Organ Recital Hall. The concert is free and open to the public.

Follow this link for for a [schedule, guest artists, and registration](#).



Happenings for Students, continued

BassoonARAMa & OboeRAMa



Join us at CSU's University Center for the Arts on **Saturday, March 8, 2025, 8:30 a.m.-4:45 p.m.**

Since 2006, BassoonARAMa and OboeRAMa Sponsored by Marigaux have brought together bassoonists and oboeists of all ages! The day-long event features today's multifaceted musicians who explore what it means to have a life and success in and around music. Guest clinicians include chamber and orchestral musicians, college professors, music researchers, and professional reed manufacturers.

We welcome bassoon and oboe students of all levels, teachers, and enthusiasts to join us for a day of masterclasses, academic presentations, reed roundtables, recitals, and discussions about all things bassoon and oboe.

For a schedule, guest artists, and registration:

<https://music.colostate.edu/masterclasses-camps/bassoonarama-and-oboerama/>

SEND US YOUR HAPPENINGS!

The CDE Arts Education e-Updates are sent **five times** during the school year: August/September, October/November, December/January, February/March, and April/May.

Please send information to Latva_L@cde.state.co.us **by the 10th of the month** for your news to be included in an edition.

FEATURED ARTWORK SUBMISSIONS

Send us a photo of a student artwork or performance to be featured in our eUpdate! Submissions should include **Title, Name of Artist, Grade, Media, School**. One photo will be featured for each bi-monthly eUpdate.

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