September 2022 Newsletter

Here is what we have included for you in this newsletter:

- Fine Arts Exchange - Register TODAY!
- Youth Talent Show - Registrations open
- Nebraska Certified Creative Districts
- Nebraska's Creative District program nationally recognized
- Learning Opportunities with WESTAF
- Join NFTA today! Memberships start at $25/year.
Fine Arts Exchange - deadline to register TODAY!

Register to learn about Nebraska Arts Organizations with programs and opportunities that extend, enhance, and enrich arts learning! This asynchronous digital event begins on Monday, September 19th!

To learn more and register, go here!

Omaha Mobile Stage Youth Talent Show - Registrations Open!

Registrations are open for the Omaha Mobile Stage Youth Talent Show. Performances are limited to 4 minutes and are judged on talent, originality, and showmanship.

The competition is open to:
- Youth ages 3 to 18 and youth groups
- All performing arts disciplines are eligible
Dates and locations:
- Gifford Park, 33rd and Cass St Field – Saturday, September 17, 2022
- Bryant Center, 2417 Grant St – Sunday, September 18, 2022

Go [here](#) for the website, registration form and waiver.

![Nebraska's Certified Creative Districts](image)

**Nebraska's Certified Creative Districts**

Take a look at the newly certified Creative Districts in Nebraska on Nebraska Arts Council's website!

Communities around Nebraska are hard at work becoming certified Creative Districts. Creative Districts are designated cultural and economic areas where innovation flourishes and neighborhoods come together in the name of art. They provide significant economic impact by creating purposeful spaces like art galleries, theatres, and music venues, attracting employees and businesses.

As more districts become certified, they will have their own page added.

Check out the current certified Creative Districts in our state [here](#)!
Nebraska's Creative District Program recognized nationally!

The National Assembly of State Arts Agencies (NASAA) recognized Nebraska's new Creative District program in their September newsletter.

NASAA says "Cultural districts can be an invaluable tool for states seeking to promote economic and community development. NASAA often receives information requests about the variety of strategies that leverage the economic strengths of the arts in cultural districts and the practical policies enacted that make them work. The following examples of state-led cultural districts highlight the newest cultural district program to be created—in Nebraska—and explore different funding and program mechanisms across state arts agencies."

Read more here!

Upcoming Learning Opportunities

WESTAF's Creative Vitality Summit features timely topics such as:
- Tech and the Creative Economy
- Digital Placekeeping
- Belonging and Civic Imagination, and
• Liberatory Investment Models for the Creative Economy.

The dates for these learning opportunities are November 30, 2022 and December 1, 2022.

Register to participate virtually here!

Join Nebraskans for the Arts Today! Memberships start at $25/year!

If you are not yet a member of Nebraskans for the Arts, now is a great time to change that! Individual memberships start at $25/year. Memberships support NFTA advocacy and activities.

To become a member, visit our website here.