



February 2023 Newsletter

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Legislative Session Bill Overview

Nebraskans for the Arts is particularly invested in supporting LB605 this legislative session. This bill entails changing provisions of the Mental Health Practice Act to include protections and requirements for certified art therapists, something we have worked for over several years. We are hoping 2023 is the year when this bill passes!

We are also discussing several other bills that effect the performing arts, artists, and arts education. We will be in touch about those soon.



Nebraska Creatives...Activate!

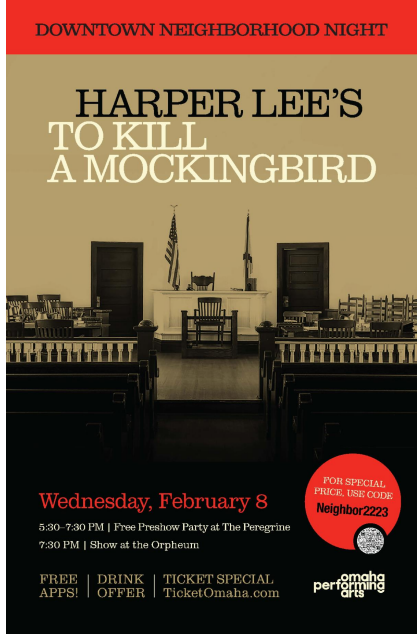
Registration is open for "Nebraska Creatives...Activate!" - a day of connection, learning, and action centered around the arts in Nebraska.

This event will take place in Ashland's vibrant Flora Creative District and will be a wonderful mix of speakers, workshops, and free time to mingle and develop new and stronger relationships among our amazing creative circles!

Registration for this exciting time together is \$35 per participant and includes:

- A fruit and pastry "create your own" breakfast
- Large group experiences as well as mini-sessions
- A choice of 4 workshops focusing on Creative Districts, storytelling, arts entrepreneurship, and advocacy
- A delicious lunch
- A tour of the Flora District
- Late afternoon social hour and concert by Michelle Colette Ingle

Registration is open until Monday, February 13th. Register **here!**



Downtown Omaha Neighborhood Night -TOMORROW

Omaha Performing Arts and The Peregrine Hotel will host a **Downtown Omaha Neighborhood Night** on **Wednesday, February 8th** before the 7:30pm performance of ***To Kill A Mockingbird***. If you live, work or love downtown Omaha, this event is for you!

You can use the promo code **NEIGHBOR2223** when you purchase tickets for the Wednesday performance on **ticketomaha.com** and save 10% on the ticket price plus a significantly reduced handling fee.

Anyone who has a ticket for the show that night can join the organizers at The Peregrine Hotel from 5:30pm to 7:30pm for a Happy Hour.

There will be free appetizers and drink special. Stop by, grab some food and a drink and then head over to The Orpheum Theater to catch this electrifying stage adaptation of Harper Lee's classic novel. The Peregrine Hotel is a short five minute walk to The Orpheum.

This Broadway tour was adapted to the stage by Aaron Sorkin (*The West Wing, A Few Good Men*) and stars Richard Thomas (*The Waltons, Ozark*) as Atticus Finch!



Lincoln Arts Festival is June 17-18, 2023

Planning for the 2023 Lincoln Arts Festival is underway and Lincoln Arts Council is currently accepting artist applications for the annual summer event!

This 2-day event brings together artists, arts organizations, and art enthusiasts in an accessible venue to create its annual premiere event. Diverse works of art, innovative demonstrations, hands-on arts activities and an eclectic mix of live performances provide a sense of community in this exciting downtown location.

Artists should apply via ZAPP by February 17, 2023. Go [here](#) for more information.

A collage of images related to media arts. The central focus is a teal banner with the text "NOW HIRING" in white. Below this, another teal banner contains the text "Assistant Professor of Emerging Media Arts: Moving Image+Cinema Production" and "Info: go.unl.edu/carsonfaculty". The background of the collage includes various scenes: a person in a VR headset, a person in a red jumpsuit, a person in a wheelchair, and a person in a white shirt. In the bottom right corner, there is a logo for the "JOHNNY CARSON CENTER FOR EMERGING MEDIA ARTS" featuring a red 'N'.

Johnny Carson Center For Emerging Media Arts Seeking Faculty and Students

The Johnny Carson Center for Emerging Media Arts is currently accepting applications for a tenure track Assistant Professor of Emerging Media Arts: Moving Image + Cinema Production. This position comes with stipends to support research and creative activity. Find out more [here](#).

The Emerging Media Arts program is accepting applications for fall 2023 to prepare visionary, creative leaders with the skills they need to solve problems and tell the stories they are passionate about. We will prepare them to realize their dream job or to raise money to start their dream company, straight out of school. If you are a future creative leader, apply today to the Bachelor of Fine Arts in Emerging Media Arts. Find out more **here**.



MID-AMERICA ARTS ALLIANCE

EMPOWERING COMMUNITY THROUGH ART

M-AAA Artistic Innovations Grand Applications Now Open

The applications open today for Mid-America Arts Alliance's annual Artistic Innovations grants, a program that since 2012 has awarded nearly \$2 million to regional artists and creative organizations for the creation of new works of art. Artistic Innovations encourages the spirit of experimentation and exploration, exclusively engaging in-region artists in the creation of new, original works for audiences in M-AAA's region. This grant program offers up to \$15,000 in support of expenses incurred in the art-making process and premiere of these endeavors.

Through generous support from the National Endowment for the Arts, M-AAA supports individual artists and nonprofit organizations in Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma, and Texas for projects that meet the **eligibility requirements**.

Applications are due 11:59 p.m. CST, Thursday, February 16, 2023. All projects must take place between July 1, 2023 and June 30, 2024 and are required to have two public-facing events.

Additional information can be found at **www.maaa.org**



New AFTA Resource

Americans for the Arts (AFTA) recently rolled out a new legislative and bill library on their website where they are highlighting model, exemplary, or innovative pieces of arts and culture policy. The page can be found [here](#).



Rochester Contemporary Arts Center International Call For Art

This exhibition (their annual 6x6, the original small art phenomenon) is hosted by Rochester Contemporary Art Center (RoCo), a small, non-profit art center in Rochester, NY. 6x6 has long been RoCo's only fundraiser ever since we originated the concept and brand. This exhibition is open to all creative peoples of all ages - no artistic background needed! All artworks are accepted and displayed both in our gallery space and online. Learn more about 6x6 at roco6x6.org and on social media using #roco6x6 and @roco137. [You can also visit their Facebook event for 6x6.](#)



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](#).



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