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## September 2023 Newsletter

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

- 2023-24 NebraskARTS Award Applications apply by October 13
- Nebraskans for the Arts Annual Report 2022-23
- NDE and NAC partner on Arts NOW grant program apply by October 13
- New Creative Districts in Nebraska
- Castle and Cathedral Creative District sponsored Art Walk
- Fall Platte River Art Show October 13-15
- Join Nebraskans for the Arts Today!

#### Apply for the 2023-24 NebraskARTS Award!

Each year, Nebraskans for the Arts honors two Nebraska school or school districts that have supported and encouraged achievement in the media arts, visual arts, dance, music, or theatre

The application form for 2023-24 is now available!

The winners receive a Legislative Resolution, a special trophy, and a celebration at their location.

Applications are due on Friday, October 13, 2023 by 11:59pm and the two winners for 2023-24 will be notified by Monday, December 11, 2023.

For more information and to apply, **go here**.



#### Nebraskans for the Arts 22-23 Annual Report

The Nebraskans for the Arts Annual Report for the fiscal year 2022-23 has been completed. You may review by going to the NFTA Website Latest News, **NFTA Annual Report 2022-23**.



## NDE and Nebraska Arts Council partner for Arts NOW Grant Program

The Nebraska Department of Education and Nebraska Arts Council are excited to announce their partnership to bring the Arts NOW Grants to Nebraska's public schools.

Arts NOW Grants are for arts education projects in Nebraska schools. This special grant program will only be available for SY 2023-2024. Arts NOW is a competitive grant program supporting arts education projects that help students in grades K through 12 achieve artistic excellence while implementing **Nebraska's Fine Arts Standards**.

Each school district in Nebraska is invited to submit one application describing

their project and the impact it will have on their students and arts education in their school. Based on the number of students impacted, public schools districts may apply in one of three funding tiers.

Applications are due by Friday, October 13, 2023.

Learn more and apply here.



#### New Creative Districts in Nebraska

Congratulations to our newest certified Creative Districts: **Falls City** and **Columbus!** 

The mission of the Falls City Creative District is to stimulate economic growth by collaborating with local partners and promoting activities to enrich our historical and vibrant arts community.

The mission of the Columbus Creative District is to curate a community culture that inspires and nurtures creativity for all individuals through opportunities of engagement and expression in entertainment, revitalization, education, diversity, economic growth and community development.

Check out these new districts, along with all of our other districts by going to the website **here**.



## **Creative Districts in Action**

On the evening of September 14, The **Castle and Cathedral Creative District sponsored an Art Walk.** The Cathedral Arts Project, Cali Commons, Joslyn Castle & Gardens, the Joslyn Castle Neighborhood Association (JCNA), along with the Offutt Manor and the Link Gallery +Workshop, opened their venues to the community for an evening of art, food, and fun!



#### The Fall Platte River Art Show at Eugene T. Mahoney State Park October 13th - 15th, 2023

Mark your calendars for the Fall Platte River Art Show at Mahoney State Park in Ashland, Nebraska. The dates are October 13th - 15th, 2023.



#### 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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