

Visual Arts Briefings

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Architect Selected

The State's Designer Selection Board has chosen ATS&R in association with the Adams Group to design the \$6.8 million Center addition. Preliminary design issues are being addressed. Ground breaking will be August or September 1997 with the structural steel order placed early this spring. Occupancy goal is fall 1998.

Superintendent's Letter

In September, David O'Fallon sent a letter to all superintendents. Ask your principal or superintendent for a copy of the letter and discuss the arts as part of the life and success of your school and community. Also explore with them ways the Center can assist you with your work.

Arts High School

Women in Director's Chair Show

Congratulations to Jecca Namakkal, Sara Swanson, Kristin DeArruda, Lori Samsel and Amber Otto for having media arts work selected for screening at the Walker Art Center on January 4th at 5:00 PM. This Junior Home Girls presentation section runs January 3-31, 1997.

Learning Resource Center

Art Periodicals available for review include *Art Criticism*, *Arts of Asia*, *Arts*, *Arts Education Policy Review*, *Arts & Culture Funding Report*, *african arts*, *American ARTIST*, *american indian art*, *Art in America*, *ARTnews*, *Asian Art & Culture*, *Flash Art News*, and *FIBERARTS*.

Resource Programs

Staff

Martha Carey joins the Center staff as the Director of the Minnesota Arts & Education Partnership (MA&EP). George Sand joins the Center staff to coordinate the Partners: Arts and Schools for Students (PASS) program



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and to coordinate the evaluation process of all Resource Programs work.

A+ Schools

Linwood School in St. Paul began as the first Minnesota A+ School last year. The A+ model offers 4 arts areas (dance, literary arts, media arts, music, theater, or visual arts) every week with at least 1 arts period each day. It is not an arts education or interdisciplinary model, but one that infuses arts learning within academics. St. Paul Schools will begin a second school site for the 1997-98 year. Minneapolis Schools will offer 3 sites beginning with the 1998-99 school year. Funding is being sought to bring this program to 14 sites in Minnesota. East Bethel and Duluth have indicated interest in being sites. Evaluation and assessment will be done to learn how this model makes a difference in student's school success. Again this summer the Center's Minnesota Arts Experience (MAX) will offer a workshop on Academics and the Arts.

Frameworks for Arts Curriculum Strategies (FACS)

Minnesota superintendents will be mailed the FACS publication package. This package is the result of three years

of work to create guidelines for Minnesota content standards in all 6 arts areas. The package includes a notebook, video, wall chart, and brochure. For information on how additional copies may be purchased, contact Marla Riemer at 612-591-4744, 1-800-657-3515 or email marla.riemer@mcae.k12.mn.us

Minnesota Arts and Education Partnerships (MA&EP)

A gathering of partners was held December 9. On January 27, all partners will attend a training workshop on Multicultural Classroom Management Issues. For more information contact Martha Carey, Director, at 612-215-5565.

Minnesota Artist Educator Institute

June 23-27, 1997 will be the dates for the second annual Minnesota Artist Educator Institute. Teams of educators, artists, and others working to bring arts into their schools, districts, and communities may apply. Application materials will be mailed in February. Contact Kari Goodman to request materials, at 612-591-4709.

State / National

Visual Arts Licensure

The review of all Minnesota teaching licenses which included the visual arts license began last year. The work continues this year with a second review group identified by the Minnesota Education Association, Minnesota Federation of Teachers, Minnesota Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, Arts Educators of Minnesota, and the Elementary School Principals' Association. Dick Mesenburg, will lead the seven member group's work as they review last year's work and make recommendations to the Board of Teaching Licensure Committee. Their work will also be reviewed by the arts field. For copies of the

future recommendations, contact the Board of Teaching office 612-296-2415.

National Board of Professional Teaching Certification Collaborative

A teacher support group with seminars and mini classes relating directly to portfolio assessments is being arranged by the St. Paul School District, the St. Paul Federation of Teachers and the University of Minnesota. The early adolescent through young adulthood/art is one of the certificates being addressed. Call Rae Cornelius at 612-293-8955 for more information.

Duluth Art Education and Business Partnership

This program provides student artwork

to business and community partners in exchange for a contribution of supplies, materials, or funds for Art Education programs. The student work is rotated every four months. For more information contact Deb Hannu, 218-722-6343 x106.

School District Visual Art Newsletters

Please put Janet Robb on your mailing list! I will share your news with others in the field.

Publications

Consortium for Whole Brain Learning is a publication available from Launa Ellison, 1078 Cedar View Drive, Minneapolis, MN 55405-2129.

Art Town Online is a directory of 300

nonprofit arts groups located in the Twin Cities and is available on-line. To view check the Internet at: <http://www.mnonline.org/artentertainment/arttown>

Art Hazards News, published 4 times per year, covers the hazards, precautions, government regulations lawsuits and other topics related to hazards in the visual and performing arts, museums, and school art programs. Contact *Art Hazards News* c/o NYFA, 155 6th Avenue, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10013.

Upcoming Events:

“Brain Research and Pathways for Teaching and Learning” Conference

January 14, 1997 MCAE, Metro ECSU, CAREI, and Hopkins School District #270 present Marian Diamond as keynoter. Contact Marilyn McGowan, Metro ECSU, 612-490-9958 x104.

Arts Education Day January 29, 1997 Landmark Center, St. Paul. Contact Janet Grove 612-292-3392 or 800-883-MAAE.

Scholastic Art Awards Exhibit February 8-19, 1997 **Student/Teacher Workshops** February 12 & 19, and **Awards Ceremony** February 15 Minneapolis College of Art & Design. Contact Judith Rae or Janelle Doyle 612-874-3618.

Student Success Day March 1, 1997 Landmark Center, St. Paul. Contact Janet Grove 612-292-3392 or 800-883-MAAE.

National Art Education Association Conference

March 19-23, 1997 New Orleans, LA. Contact NAEA Office 703-860-8000.

Multicultural Voices in Literature Workshops

April 16 & 17, 1997, Arrowwood Conference Center, Fergus Falls, May 9 & 10 and May 16 & 17, 1997 St. Paul. Contact Nancy Engen-Wedin 612-591-4711.

Art Educators of Minnesota Spring Conference

April 25 & 26, 1997 Duluth. Contact Deb Hannu 218-722-6343 x106.

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