

Online and Print Resources for Exploring the *Creative Arts* with Young Children

Online resources

Americans for the Arts offers information on art education topics such as professional development, education standards, and research on art education and child outcomes.

<http://www.artsusa.org>

Arts Education Partnership (AEP), a coalition of arts, education, philanthropic, and business organizations, promotes art in education. The Web site provides art education advocacy resources, information on funding opportunities, lists of AEP publications, and art education links.

<http://aep-arts.org>

Best Children's Music.com offers easily accessible children's music, lists of musical books, research articles on music education and developmental outcomes, and links to music education Web sites.

<http://www.bestchildrensmusic.com>

The Children's Music Web provides teacher resources—information on incorporating music into the curriculum, classroom songs, and links to other music education resources. It provides children with links to child-friendly music Web sites.

<http://www.childrensmusic.org>

Institute for Early Learning through the Arts, a Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts program, provides professional development workshops for educators, creative arts enrichment

programs for parents and children, and links to art education resources.

<http://www.wolftrap.org/institute/index.html>

International Child Art Foundation

(ICAF) offers educators information on the benefits of creative arts in the classroom and on art programs sponsored by ICAF, including international art festivals. The site includes artwork from young artists worldwide.

<http://www.icaef.org>

MENC, the National Association for Music Education

advances music education by encouraging the study and making of music. Under Channels, find an early childhood network and forum and links to resources and information. NAEYC partners with MENC.

<http://www.menc.org>

The National Art Education Association

(NAEA) provides articles on child development and art instruction, updates on education policies, and information on its national convention.

<http://www.naea-reston.org>

The National Dance Education Organization

(NDEO) provides links to dance education publications, educational advocacy issues, NDEO-sponsored programs, and information on NDEO's annual conference.

<http://www.ndeo.org>

VSA Arts, the coordinating organization for arts programming for persons with disabilities, offers arts-based programs in creative writing, dance, drama, music, and the visual arts.

<http://www.vsarts.org>

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