WELCOME

The NAAEC is excited to present the 2019-2020 Classroom Arts Education Guide to educational opportunities in the arts for teachers. This publication includes information about teaching artists and arts organizations that offer programs in visual and performing arts.

Activities are available for K-12 and are identified by the type of experience that they provide (Exposure, Enhancement, Integration, Competition). We hope that you will find this booklet useful as you plan meaningful, rigorous and enjoyable arts education experiences for your students this year.
This guide provides a system of badges that will allow you to make appropriate programming choices for your classroom needs. These badges are displayed at the beginning of each section.

**BADGE KEY**

**ARTS INTEGRATION**

Students engage in a creative process which connects an art form and another subject area during the regular school day. This results in the attainment of specific learning goals and objectives in both subject areas.

**ARTS ENHANCEMENT**

Students participate in arts activities and receive instruction for a brief period during the regular school day. The result is deeper understanding and appreciation of the art form.

**ARTS EXPOSURE**

Students are exposed to the arts through sponsored performances and/or field trips. Schools are offered study guides and other resources to supplement exposure activities.

**ARTS COMPETITIONS**

Students are given the opportunity to compete and be recognized for excellence in the arts.

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THE DANCE CONNECTION IN-RESIDENCE
A program of Alabama Youth Ballet Theatre providing ballet/dance instruction, dance history lesson, and math integration in your school. Available fall and spring semesters. 9 week session (1 class/week) 45 min for grades 2-5. Cost of program is $325 for a class of 14, adjustable for larger classes. Title 1 school classes eligible for fee offset. Adequate space for movement required.
For more information contact Grace Cary at thedanceconnection@aybtheatre.org or visit www.aybtheatre.org.

HUNTSVILLE BALLET COMPANY
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
Workshops for arts integration which can be scheduled throughout the year for teachers and administrators. Our highly renowned programs emphasize the importance of arts integration and kinesthetic learning within the core curriculum.
For more information contact Cathy Curry at cathycurry@huntsvilleballet.org or visit www.huntsvilleballet.org.

NAAEC ARTS INTEGRATION RESIDENCY PARTNERSHIP
This program pairs teaching artists with classroom teachers to help students master standards in a core subject area as well as an artistic discipline. We work in grades K-8. Partnerships last between 4 and 6 weeks and can be adapted to meet the needs of the school. The program is funded by the North Alabama Arts Education Collaborative.
For more information contact Karen Anderson at Karen@artshuntsville.org or visit www.artshuntsville.org.

CONCERTS IN THE CLASSROOM
Microwave Dave Music Educaion Foundation’s flagship music education program. The program is free to schools in North Alabama and introduces students to local musicians. The classroom concerts include lesson plans created jointly by the schools, musicians and MDMEF. These programs reflect appropriate academic standards for the grade levels involved. Classroom lessons provide an opportunity for students to learn a variety of academic subjects, enjoy songwriting and storytelling, and interact with the musicians. The free classroom program is available year-round to grades K-8, but all ages will be considered.
For more information contact Evan Billiter at evanbilliter@gmail.com or visit www.microwavedavemef.org/about-concerts-in-the-classroom.html.

W.R.I.T.E.
This 2 hour program for grades 3-12 assists students in poetry-writing and self-expression with the objective of getting a student in touch with their unique voice and creative self. Sessions can be customized to the class curriculum.
For more information contact Kisha Freed at create@wordxpressllc.com or visit www.wordxpressllc.com.
IN-SCHOOL THEATRE ARTS WORKSHOPS
Workshops are available through Fantasy Playhouse Children’s Theater.
For more information contact Candice Cooper at educationdirector@fantasyplayhouse.com or visit www.fantasyplayhouse.com.

DISCOVER DANCE OUTREACH AND EDUCATION PROGRAMMING
Huntsville Ballet Company provides free classes, cross-curriculum lesson plans and workshops to students and teachers in local schools, and provides opportunities to experience creative movement and dance in the classroom.
For more information contact Cathy Curry at cathycurry@huntsvilleballet.org or visit www.huntsvilleballet.org.

VIOLIN PROGRAM IN THE SCHOOLS
The Huntsville Symphony Orchestra’s Third Grade Violin Program enhances the school’s curriculum by teaching reading, writing, math, music theory, and music history. The students not only to listen to music but participate in making it. The program includes ten FREE lessons, each about 50 minutes in length. Violins, teachers and curricula are provided.
For more information contact Sharon Hicks at sharon@hso.org or visit www.hso.org.

EXPRESSIVE WRITING PROGRAM ON BULLYING – #WRITE2BEME
The core issues concerning bullying are often a lack of self-confidence and self-esteem. This class offers an approach to the subject of bullying through expressive writing that encourages self-reflection, self-confidence, and expression. Providing a safe space for wholeness within a supervised environment, this program aims to get to core issues concerning bullying. (2 hours) (Grades 4-12) ($150)
For more information contact Kisha Freed at create@wordxpressllc.com or visit www.wordxpressllc.com.

GIRL MAGIC, POWER, AND POETRY
When a girl believes in herself, she can do anything! Girl Magic, Power, and Poetry offers group discussions and expressive writing that encourages self-reflection, self-confidence, and expression. Topics range from positive self image, self-talk, sex and relationships, and sisterhood. This program initiates girls into discovering their inherent magic, preparing them to be women in leadership! (2 hours) (Grades 6-10) ($150)
For more information contact Kisha Freed at create@wordxpressllc.com or visit www.wordxpressllc.com.

HIPHOP AND POETRY
Poetry & Hiphop: Prepares students to be emerging leaders by discovering the power of their voices. A rendezvous through a hiphop experience with group discussion and self-expression. (2-3 hours) (Grades 6-12) ($150)
For more information contact Kisha Freed at create@wordxpressllc.com or visit www.wordxpressllc.com.

THE POETRY OF BLACK PANTHER
For more information contact Kisha Freed at create@wordxpressllc.com or visit www.wordxpressllc.com.
SCHOOL PERFORMANCES OF ALABAMA YOUTH BALLET THEATRE’S FAIRYTALE BALLET
Field trip opportunity for your class(es) to attend a live performance of AYBT’s Fairytale Ballet (Cinderella 2020) at Lee High School (subject to change) on a Friday in April. Appropriate for grades PK-5. Cost $5 per attendee. Title 1 schools are eligible for fee waiver. Study guide available. For more information, contact Grace Cary at thedanceconnection@aybtheatre.org, www.aybtheatre.org.

BROADWAY THEATRE LEAGUE PRESENTS DALLAS CHILDREN’S THEATER’S PRODUCTION OF MISS NELSON HAS A FIELD DAY
Oct.22 (9:30 & 12:30 FREE school shows for K-5) and a FREE Family show at 6:30. All shows will be held at the VBC Concert Hall. After reservations are confirmed, David Herriott will arrange a time to visit the classroom to give a preview of the show and discuss Theatre Etiquette. A post-show project based on what students learned from the show is also provided. For reservations or more information, visit www.broadwaytheatreleague.org/outreach-shows

BROADWAY THEATRE LEAGUE PRESENTS TALL STORIES’ (FROM LONDON) PRODUCTION OF WILDE CREATURES
Feb. 20, 2020 (9:30 & 12:30 FREE school shows for 1-6) and a FREE Family show at 6:30. All shows will be held at the VBC Concert Hall. After reservations are confirmed, David Herriott will make a reservation for a classroom visit to give a preview of the show and discuss Theatre Etiquette. A post-show project based on what students learned from the show is also provided. For reservations or for more information visit www.broadwaytheatreleague.org/outreach-shows.

BURRITT ON THE MOUNTAIN’S FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL
Friday, Nov. 1, 2019, 9:00-1:30. Burritt on the Mountain hosts guest craftspeople and presenters demonstrating folklife and folk arts of our region. Experience a variety of traditional skills and crafts including blacksmithing, flint knapping, spinning and other fiber arts, open hearth cooking and many more. Students learn about the music, arts, crafts and skills of Appalachia at approximately twenty different learning stations. For more information, contact Tammy Cooney at tammy.cooney@huntsvilleal.gov or visit www.burrittonthemountain.com.

STUDENT MATINEES PRESENTED BY FANTASY PLAYHOUSE CHILDREN’S THEATER
Cinderella (grades k+) 10/18/19 10am, A Christmas Carol (grades 6-12)12/10/19 9am & Noon and The Hobbit (grades 4-12) 2/21/20 10am. Every production features study guides developed to support CCRS. Admission is $7. All shows will at the VBC Playhouse. For more information email schoolshows@ fantasyplayhouse.com.
IN-SCHOOL TOURING PROGRAM: FPCTA’S PROFESSIONAL TOURING COMPANY BRINGS THEATRE TO YOUR SCHOOL!
The 2019-2020 Season:

**Freedom Riders**, appropriate for grades 6-12 that supplements Alabama’s Course of Study in civics/history and highlights inspirational themes about the region’s heritage.

**Poarch Creek Courage**, an original play appropriate for grades 3-5 that teaches a vital lesson about bullying through the lens of the history of Alabama’s Poarch Band of Creek Indians.

**Nick Nutrition and His Dog Fiber**, appropriate for grades PreK-6 that teaches lessons on nutrition and the importance of living a healthy lifestyle.

For booking information for Fantasy Playhouse Children’s Theater In-School and After-School Programs, please contact EducationDirector@fantasyplayhouse.com. Special rates apply to Title 1 schools.

IRISH DANCE PERFORMANCE
Fitness Arts Center focuses on traditional Irish dance in a fun and nurturing environment. The performance includes a brief history of Irish dance, original choreography, and traditional music performed in costume. The fee for performing is $150 for up to 30 a minute show! This is recommended for ages pre-k through grade 12. It is a great feature for international festivals, school assemblies, St. Patrick’s Day, or a classroom demonstration.

For more information contact Deidre Hopkin at deidre@fitnessartscenter.com or www.fitnessartscenter.com.

GREEN PEA PRESS’ SCREEN PRINTING FIELD TRIPS
Green Pea Press offers field trips for grades 1-12 which include full instruction with each student printing their own t-shirt. The cost is $15/student for a single shared design, or $30/student for individual designs (grades 6-12). Offered at our Screen Shop, located at 2720 Governors Drive SW, Huntsville, AL 35805.

For more information contact Rachel Lackey at rachel@greenpeapress.com or visit www.greenpeapress.com.

GREEN PEA PRESS’ LETTERPRESS FIELD TRIPS
Offered by Green Pea Press this field trip includes an explanation of the history, terms, processes and materials used in letterpress printing, followed by a hands-on printing session on our 1914 Chandler & Price printing press. Held at Studio 122 at Lowe Mill ARTS & Entertainment in Huntsville. Suitable for grades 5-12 at $125/group.

For more information contact Rachel Lackey at rachel@greenpeapress.com or visit www.greenpeapress.com.

HUNTSVILLE MUSEUM OF ART FIELD TRIPS
School Tour Groups of 10 or more may choose between a Thematic docent-led tour or a Highlights docent-led tour to view all exhibits on display. Tours are designed using the Alabama Course of Study for Arts Education as a framework. Tours are $5 per student.

For more information contact Laura Smith at lsmith@hsvmuseum.org or visit www.hsvmuseum.org.
HSO'S YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERTS
Sponsored in part by the Huntsville Symphony Orchestra Guild, Huntsville Symphony Orchestra's Young People's Concerts are FREE to fourth-grade students from Huntsville and across the Tennessee Valley. Visit hso.org to register your fourth-grade class for an exciting field trip to the Von Braun Center on February 27, 2020 or February 28, 2020. The HSO guarantees a fun-filled concert that will entertain and educate all ages.
For more information contact Sharon Hicks at Sharon@hso.org or visit www.hso.org.

HOST AN AUTHOR VISIT WITH SNAIL ON THE WALL
The Snail on the Wall is a full-service local, independent bookstore that can help bring nationally or regionally known authors to Huntsville-area schools to speak to students about writing, illustration, and books. As an independent bookseller, they have access to a range of publishers and authors who might be on tour or available for school visits. They will work with your group to make contact with an author, arrange the logistics of their visit, and conduct book sales before and at the event.
To host an author at your school, contact The Snail on the Wall at lady.smith@me.com.

THE WEEDEN HOUSE MUSEUM FIELD TRIP
A tour of the Weeden House Museum has been integrated into the HCS's 3rd grade history curriculum but is suitable for 2nd through 6th. The tour begins with a brief history lesson on the home and students learn how the residents lived prior to modern conveniences. Students are then guided through what was happening in Huntsville during the lives of the home's residents and get an introduction into Howard Weeden's paintings and poems.
The lesson is followed by a “Weeden House History Hunt.” Similar to a scavenger hunt, the students search the house and answer questions on the architecture, history, and Howard's art and poetry. The tour ends with cookies and lemonade. A tour is $3.00 per student and no charge for teachers and chaperones.
For more information email theweedenhouse@att.net or visit www.weedenhousemuseum.com.

UAH'S HIGH SCHOOL ARTS EXPO
UAH Department of Art, Art History & Design's annual High School Arts Expo brings 11th and 12th grade students to campus for daytime demonstrations and activities. The visit is followed by an exhibition of works by the high school students and an evening reception open to the public. The exhibitions feature scholarship awards as well as a cash prize to the top high school. The event is scheduled in early November of each year. All High Schools are invited to bring students, Homeschooled students and individuals are also invited to attend. The program is free.
For more information contact art@uah.edu or call 256-824-6114.

UAH'S HIGH SCHOOL LECTURES AND DEMONSTRATIONS
UAH Art, Art History and Design Faculty will come to do custom lectures/demonstrations at area High Schools on a variety of visual arts topics. Lectures are free.
For more information or to request a speaker contact art@uah.edu or call 256-824-6114.

HUNTSVILLE BALLET PRESENTS THE NUTCRACKER
Huntsville Ballet Company offers field trips in December for area elementary students to attend a performance of the Nutcracker featuring the Huntsville Symphony Orchestra. Lecture demonstrations for all ages can also be scheduled featuring professional dancers and faculty from Huntsville Ballet Company.
For more information contact Cathy Curry at cathycurry@huntsvilleballet.org.
YOUNG WRITERS CONTEST
Students in grades 1-12 in Madison County public, private, and home-schools may apply to enter our Young Writers Contest held February through early March. Students in elementary school write poems and junior and senior high compete in poetry and short story.
For more information, email Carol Roach at cashroche@bellsouth.net. www.hlahsv.org.

HUNTSVILLE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA YOUNG ARTIST AUDITIONS
The Young Artists Auditions provide an opportunity to perform in a public forum and give recognition to dedicated young musicians for their talent and accomplishments. The application deadline is November 25, 2019, and the recital will be January 12, 2020. The online application along with rules and regulations for the audition can be found at www.hso.org under the “Education & Community” heading.

GRISsom THEATRE PERFORMANCE FIELD TRIPS

Shakespeare’s Macbeth, October 24th and 25th, 9AM. Tickets $6.00 for students, Classroom Teachers are free. Appropriate for grades 6th-12th.

The Best Christmas Pageant Ever by Barbara Robinson December 10th and 11th, 9AM. Tickets $6.00 for students, Classroom Teachers are free. Appropriate for Grades Preschool-12th.

Tuck Everlasting, The Musical. based on the children’s novel by Natalie Babbitt. March 5th, 11th and 12th, 9AM. Tickets $6.00 for students, Classroom Teachers are free. Appropriate for Grades 4th-12th.

For more information contact Stephanie Braly-Beutjer at stephanie.braly-beutjer@hsv-k12.org

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