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Visual and Performing Arts e-Update – August/September 2024



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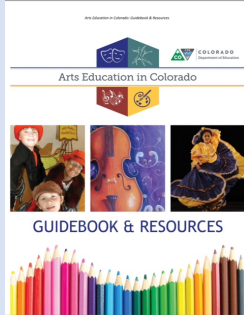
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CDE Announcement: Shelly Ramos recently became the new Director of Standards and Instructional Support at the Colorado Department of Education (CDE). Shelly has two decades of experience working with state academic content standards, education program management, and instructional resource development. Previously, Shelly spent 14 years at the Texas Education Agency in the Curriculum Standards and Student Support Division. Moving to Colorado is a dream come true for Shelly, who loves spending time outdoors with her two rambunctious dogs. Welcome to Shelly!

STANDARDS AND INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT

Introducing the New Visual Arts Specialist – Lindsay Latva



Lindsay's career is marked by a strong foundation in art education. She has taught middle and high school visual art where she developed comprehensive, project-based curricula. She was named CAEA's middle school teacher of the year during her time at Rifle Middle School. Lindsay received an MA in art education at the University of Northern Colorado where she further honed her expertise through her role as Project Manager at the Center for Integrated Arts Education. She founded the non-profit Bristlecone Arts Collaborative after identifying areas that needed improvement for art educators in rural

Colorado. Through Bristlecone, Lindsay developed over 15 community and corporate partnerships, mentored art teachers, and facilitated art specific professional development for teachers. She brings a deep understanding of educational ecosystems and is excited to exercise her passion for collaboration and supporting art educators in her new role at CDE.

Special Thanks to Judi Hofmeister and Donna Goodwin

We also want to extend a special thanks to Judi Hofmeister and Donna Goodwin for their service to the Standards and Instructional Support team. Their dedication to the Visual and Performing Arts in the state of Colorado has been unwavering. We wish them the best on their next endeavors!

Save the Date: Arts Think Tank Meetings

Mark your calendar for **September 11, 2024** and **February 12, 2025** from 12:30-2:00pm for our Arts Think Tank Meetings. These are virtual meetings held in the fall and spring semesters. Please let Lindsay or Carla know if you have any items to add to the agenda. Meeting information and an agenda will be sent out by the beginning of September.

COLORADO HAPPENINGS



Apply for the Equity in Arts Learning Grant for the 2025-2026 Cycle

Equity in Arts Learning for Colorado Youth (EAL) seeks to increase access to arts education for historically marginalized youth. Grants of \$10,000-\$25,000 are available to support projects that bring professional artists and culture bearers into educational settings to lead programming with youth ages 4-21. Projects supported by EAL will exemplify the value of arts education, encouraging ongoing community support.

Letters of intent will be accepted from **September 26-November 29, 2024**. For more information, please visit this website (<https://think360arts.org/grant-opportunities/>).



Registration for CMEA is now OPEN!

Registration for the 2025 CMEA Clinic/Conference is now open. The Conference will be held January 29-February 1, 2025. We are excited to offer this year's CMEA Conference, "Cultivating Excellence." Use this webpage for more information and to register for the Conference ([Clinic/Conference Registration | CMEA \(cmeaonline.org\)](https://cmeaonline.org)).



Colorado Dance Education Organization Seeks Presenters!

Presenter submissions are now open for the 11th Annual CoDEO Dance Education Conference to be held February 1-2, 2025 in Pueblo, CO. Applications are welcome for movement sessions in any style dance, or dance related content diversity, equity and inclusion in the dance classroom, educational best practices panels, bridging the gap between studio and school, college and career workshops, and more!! Sessions can be geared toward students grades 8-12, university students, or dance educators. Presenter Applications due **October 4, 2024**. Submit your presentation [here](#).



Be a Featured Performer at CoDEO's Opening Events!

Feature your student or professional group in CoDEO's Opening Events! Opening Events will be held at Pueblo Convention Center on February 1, 2025, celebrating all that is amazing in the world of dance in Colorado. Pieces of all styles are encouraged to submit applications. Performance Applications due Saturday, **December 7, 2024**. Performance Applications open soon!



2024 CSU High School Honor Band Festival: December 5-7, 2024, Colorado State University Center for the Arts



The annual CSU Honor Band Festival brings together the finest high school musicians in the Rocky Mountain Region, selected from hundreds of applicants throughout the western region; the three-day festival takes place at the University Center for the Arts at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado. Guest clinicians and conductors enhance the student's experience, providing invaluable insight and expertise. In addition to rehearsals, students enjoy several concerts given by CSU faculty and student ensembles. The experience is capped off with a performance by the Honor Wind Symphony, conducted by Randall Coleman, and the Festival Concert Band, conducted by Dr. Myra Rhoden, in the beautiful, world-class Griffin Concert Hall. For more information audition materials and deadlines: [High School Honor Band Festival - Music \(colostate.edu\)](https://colostate.edu) For questions, please contact Ethan Urtz, Performing Arts Support Specialist: ethan.urtz@colostate.edu



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2024 CSU Band Day: Colorado State University Center for the Arts

This is an opportunity for high school students to participate in a college gameday experience with an on-field performance alongside the CSU Marching Band in front of thousands of Ram Fans in Canvas Stadium. No prior marching experience is required! The CSUMB is partnering with CSU Athletics to provide a full-day experience for you and your students that includes discounted tickets to the CSU vs. Northern Colorado game, a t-shirt for participants, a full rehearsal on the field in Canvas Stadium with the CSUMB, a front-row view of the Ram Walk Pep Rally and Parade, and, of course, a half-time performance with the Colorado State Marching Band.

For more information on registering: [CSU Band Day - Music \(colostate.edu\)](https://colostate.edu)



Donizetti's Daughter of the Regiment at Opera Colorado

Opera Colorado is thrilled to announce the performance of Donizetti's beloved comic opera, Daughter of the Regiment, this November 9-17, with tickets on sale Monday, July 29. Tickets are available here: [Donizetti's Daughter of the Regiment - Opera Colorado](https://colostate.edu)

UPCOMING DATES

2024-2025 Arts Education Events/Conferences

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| September 12-13, 2024 | Colorado Theatre Educator Conference |
| November 7-9, 2024 | CAEA Fall Conference |
| December 12-14, 2024 | ThesCon |
| January 29-31, February 1, 2025 | CMEA |
| February 1-2, 2025 | CoDEO Annual Conference |

The CDE Arts Education e-Updates are **sent five times** during the school year: August/September, October/November, December/January, February/March, and April/May. Please send information to Latva_L@cde.state.co.us **by the 10th of the month** for your news to be included in an edition.