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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Pennsylvania Council on the Arts

Pennsylvania Arts in Education Partnership

The PCA fosters educational excellence through participation in the creative process in schools and community settings through residencies, projects and partnerships between schools or other educational institutions, artists and arts organizations.

Funding from the PCA assists hundreds of Pennsylvania schools to support curriculum, enrich the important work of arts educators, and provide additional opportunities for students to explore and develop their creative abilities. Study of the arts provides children and youth with models for discipline, teamwork, project management and goal setting, along with occasions for intellectual and emotional discovery.

Initiated in 1995, the Pennsylvania Arts in Education Partnership program has demonstrated unprecedented ability to expand the strong funding record of the PCA for arts in education in the Commonwealth. The partnership, now available in 63 counties, enhances the PCA's efforts through a network of partners comprised of local and regional organizations. The PCA's Partners are: Allentown Art Museum; ArtsErie; ArtsPath at Indiana University of Pennsylvania; Cultural Alliance of York County; Galaxy: The Arts in Education Program of Central Intermediate Unit 10; Northeastern Educational Intermediate Unit 19 (NEIU 19); Northern Tier Partnership for Arts in Education/ Bradford County Regional Arts Council; Perry County Council of the Arts;

Philadelphia Arts in Education Partnership; Pittsburgh Center for the Arts; South Central PaARTners at Millersville University; and Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art. (A list of the Partners with their service areas and contact information is on the back).

Partners recruit, select, train, place, and evaluate professional-quality artists for residencies in educational environments. In addition, each partner has specialized in an interest area for in-depth exploration. These areas include distance learning, youth-at-risk, early childhood education, and in-service and pre-service teacher training. Partners provide professional development opportunities for more than 3,000 artists, teachers, administrators, pre-service teachers, and community leaders. They also maintain ongoing relationships with more than 250 educational agencies, community arts organizations, professional organizations and other interested parties. Through the provision of quality services to educators and students, the Partnership has made a significant contribution to education in Pennsylvania. The Council continues to undertake research and fund single-focus projects in additional regions of the Commonwealth to expand the scope of the partnership and to attain the goal of regional arts in education partners reaching all 67 counties.

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The Pennsylvania Council on the Arts is a state agency in the Office of the Governor. It receives funding through an annual state appropriation and from the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.

The mission of the PCA is to foster the excellence, diversity and vitality of the arts in Pennsylvania and to broaden the availability and appreciation of those arts throughout the

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Pennsylvania Arts in Education Partner Contact Information

- Allentown Art Museum** 610-432-4333
Serves: Carbon, Lehigh, Monroe, Northampton, and Pike (SE)
- ArtsErie** (Formerly Arts Council of Erie) 814-452-3427
Serves: Cameron, Crawford, Elk, Erie, Forest, Lawrence, McKean, Mercer, Potter, Venango and Warren
- ArtsPath: Indiana University of Pennsylvania** 724-357-4565
Serves: Armstrong, Butler, Clarion, Jefferson and Indiana
- Cultural Alliance of York County** 717-812-9255
Serves: Adams, Franklin and York
- Galaxy: The Arts in Education Program of Central Intermediate Unit 10** 814-237-3003
Serves: Centre, Clearfield and Clinton
- Northeastern Educational Intermediate Unit 19** 570-876-9308
Serves: Lackawanna, Luzerne, Pike (NW), Susquehanna, Wayne and Wyoming (E)
- Northern Tier Partnership for Arts in Education/
Bradford County Regional Arts Council** 570-268-2787
Serves: Bradford, Columbia, Lycoming, Montour, Sullivan, Tioga and Wyoming (W)
- Perry County Council of the Arts** 717-567-7023
Serves: Juniata, Mifflin, Northumberland, Perry, Snyder and Union
- Philadelphia Arts in Education Partnership** 215-717-6596
Serves: Bucks, Chester (E), Delaware, Montgomery and Philadelphia
- Pittsburgh Center for the Arts** 412-361-0873
Serves: Allegheny, Beaver, Greene and Washington
- South Central PaARTners: Millersville University** 717-871-2186
Serves: Berks, Chester (NW), Dauphin (SE), Lancaster, and Lebanon
- Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art** 814-946-4464
Serves: Bedford, Blair, Cambria, Fayette, Somerset and Westmoreland

The Arts in Education Division of the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts provides funding for arts in education programs and projects, publishes a directory of artists, and offers professional development opportunities for artists and educators such as conferences, workshops, etc. Funding is available to public and private schools; childcare centers, senior centers and other not-for-profit, tax-exempt organizations; and units of government in Pennsylvania. For more information about state arts funding support for arts in education, please go to the PCA Website: www.pacouncilonthearts.org.

The Pennsylvania Council on the Arts is a state agency established in 1966 by the Pennsylvania General Assembly as an Executive Office of the Governor and charged with "the encouragement and development of the various arts" in the Commonwealth. The PCA accomplishes its mission through a combination of grants to the arts; partnerships and initiatives; technical assistance to partners and applicants; and by serving as a resource for arts-related information for state, federal and local government, the public, other funding entities, the arts field, and other interested organizations and individuals.

The PCA is governed by a Council of 19 members — 15 private citizens and 4 members of the General Assembly. The citizen members are appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate and serve without compensation. The agency has a professional staff of 16, headed by the Executive Director. The PCA receives funding through an annual state appropriation and from the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.

