



National Creativity Network

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

February 14, 2025

QUOTE(S) OF THE WEEK

“Words are but the signs of ideas.” – Samuel Johnson

“Even if we accept, as the basic tenet of true democracy, that one moron is equal to one genius, is it necessary to go a further step and hold that two morons are better than one genius?” – Leó Szilárd

“Man is so made that when anything fires his soul, impossibilities vanish.” – Jean de La Fontaine

“Ignorance more frequently begets confidence than does knowledge: it is those who know little, not those who know much, who so positively assert that this or that problem will never be solved by science.” – Charles Darwin

“No matter what problem you encounter, whether it's a grand challenge for humanity or a personal problem of your own, there's an idea out there that can overcome it. And you can find that idea.” – Ray Kurzweil

“The priceless heritage of our society is the unrestricted constitutional right of each member to think as he will. Thought control is a copyright of totalitarianism, and we have no claim to it. It is not the function of the government to keep the citizen from falling into error; it is the function of the citizen to keep the government from falling into error. We could justify any censorship only when the censors are better shielded against error than the censored.” – Robert H. Jackson

“Don't wait for permission to do something creative.” – Ava DuVernay

VIDEO(S) OF THE WEEK

The 5 best commercials from Super Bowl 2025

Design | Fast Company

Becoming a TV commercial icon

CBS Sunday Morning

A New Documentary Traces How a Faith Ringgold Mural at Rikers Island Helped Women Break Free

Colossal

Singer performs original song Prince himself wrote for her and leaves "AGT" judges astounded

Upworthy

How I Became A Racing Engineer for @NASCAR - JR Houston | I Was Born

LabX and The Science and Entertainment Exchange

Building Communication Skills in Science

Edutopia

Why you should make useless things | Simone Giertz

TED2018

Pandemics and disasters: Lessons for the future

Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

FEATURED EVENTS/OPPORTUNITIES

A hidden face of women in STEM - The Scientific Vision of Women

The Chronicle | Duke University

Through February 15

Now at Harvard Business School, "From Concept to Product: Meroë Morse and Polaroid's Culture of Art and Innovation, 1945–1969"

Harvard Business School Newsroom

Through Spring 2025

Animationland

National Children's Museum

Through May 11

NEW Stan Baines: Imagination Inside The Box: Finding creativity when you can't see outside of the box

Idea Jam | Canadian Network for Imagination and Creativity

February 20

Simons Foundation invites applications from collaborative teams of artists, scientists, and arts organization representatives

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: February 20

Also

Symmetry: A Call for Artists, Scientists and Arts Organizations

Simons Foundation

Deadline: February 20

Texas Science Festival-Goers to Enjoy Fusion of Curiosity and Discovery

College of Natural Sciences | The University of Texas at Austin

February 21 – March 6

Putting the “A” in Steam | Professional Development Workshop for Formal & Informal Educators

Science Friday

February 22

2025 Best Communities for Music Education Award

NAMM Foundation

Deadline: February 28

50 Books | 50 Covers

AIGA

Final Deadline: March 3

A Summit on NSF's Inaugural Workforce Strategy for Emerging Technologies and the Future of Work

New America

March 4

365: AIGA Year in Design

AIGA

Regular Deadline: March 10

Final Deadline: March 31

Social Prescribing Day USA

Social Prescribing USA

March 19

Call for Nominations: National Academy of Engineering Awards

National Academy of Engineering

Deadline: April 1

THE POWER OF COMMUNITY - South and Appalachian Creative Placemaking Conference

Creative Placemaking Communities and The King's Canvas

April 1 – 3 | Montgomery, AL

Humanity Reimagined

TED 2025

April 7 –11, 2025

World Creativity & Innovation Week

World Creativity & Innovation
April 15 - 21

NEH Announces New Funding Opportunity to Support Research on the State and Impact of the Humanities

National Endowment for the Humanities

Deadline: April 16

World Creativity & Innovation Day

World Creativity & Innovation

April 21

Culture and Creative Economy Foresight

International Training Centre of the International Labor Organization (ITCILO)

April 23 – 25

Rhiannon Giddens' announces Biscuits & Banjos, a Black music & culture festival

Hyfin

April 25 – 27

Search Begins for 2025 America's Top Young Scientist

Discovery Education

Deadline: May 1

10th World Summit on Arts & Culture

International Federation of Arts Councils and Culture Agencies (IFACCA)

May 27 - 30 | Seoul, South Korea

2025 Science Events Summit

Science Events

June 8 - 10 | Philadelphia, PA

The 10th International Invention Innovation Competition in Canada, iCAN 2025

Toronto International Society of Innovation & Advanced Skills (TISIAS)

Registration Deadline: June 15

2025 National Arts Integration and STEAM Conference

Creativity Rising

July 8 – 9, 2025 | Baltimore, MD

Social Connection Conference

Foundation for Social Connection

October 28 - 30

Call for Articles | General Issue

European Journal of Cultural Management and Policy | ENCATC

Deadline: Ongoing

Twenty-Four Smithsonian Shows to See in 2024

At the Smithsonian | Smithsonian Magazine

Various

Idea Jams 2024/2025

Canadian Network for Imagination and Creativity

Series

CreativeMornings | a monthly breakfast lecture series

CreativeMornings

Various

Nesta Talks to...

Nesta

Various

Interactive Map | Science Festivals

Science Festival Alliance

Various

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

YouTube turns 20 years old today

Morning Edition | NPR

Microsoft Study Finds AI Makes Human Cognition “Atrophied and Unprepared”

404 Media

Make Something Out of Your Mental Health Challenges

Live Life Creatively | Psychology Today

Computer Models of How Ideas Evolve and How We Became Creative

Mindblogging | Psychology Today

“Usualing”

Seth’s Blog

Innovation is Dead. Now What?

Human-Centered Change and Innovation

How artists and scientists see tree branches similarly

Design | Fast Company

Six Opportunities for Digital Health in 2025

IDEO Blog

Skills Mismatches in the UK’s Creative Industries

State of the Nations | Creative Industries Policy and Evidence Center

Stephen King’s New Book Is Incredibly Unexpected

Gizmodo

David Edward Byrd, Whose Posters Captured Rock's Energy, Dies at 83
The New York Times

'Ultrahigh Energy' Neutrino Found With a Telescope Under the Sea
The New York Times

Guest column: "The war on discovery" is antithesis of campaign pledge to make America great again
Wisconsin Technology Council

The Futuro Group: Hearing Myself in Your Voice
Mellon Foundation

National Park Service erases transgender references from Stonewall National Monument website
Fast Company

Why leaders must slow down to speed up transformation
Secrets of the Most Productive People | Fast Company

Trump wants to bring back incandescent light bulbs. Factories don't even make them anymore
Fast Company

Golden State Warriors release an album from their own record label featuring Bay Area artists
Design | Fast Company

The creator of 'Peanuts' died 25 years ago. His creation remains popular
Morning Edition | NPR

A hidden Picasso painting from the early Blue Period is revealed by new technology
Special Series | The Brief | NPR

4 decisions that turned SNL into a cultural juggernaut — and 3 mistakes
Analysis – Television | NPR

Comedian Ronny Chieng is thankful he never got a job out of law school
Wild Card | NPR

Two kinds of creative feedback
Seth's Blog

The world's greatest mentalist reveals 5-second trick to never forget someone's name
Upworthy

Why Does Everyone Hate Rats?
Sympathy for the Rat | Freakonomics Radio

Banksy Fights To Stop Others From Stealing His Name, Taking Protection To Court

DesignTAXI

Thomson Reuters Wins First Major AI Copyright Case in the US

WIRED

Reëxamining Romantic Tropes with the Ripped Bodice

The New Yorker

The Real Problem With Trump’s Cheesy Neoclassical Building Fetish

Razing Hell | The Nation

Trump Tariffs Could Be the ‘Kiss of Death’ for Art Transactions

ARTnews

The Paradox of Music Discovery, the Spotify Way

The Atlantic

A major book publisher announced a change. The industry freaked out.

Vox

How the Moon became a place

Aeon Essays

Could state’s art funding get reinstated? Lawmakers start debate whether to save it.

Florida Politics

Charlotte leaders vote to join new arts plan after months of debate. How will it work?

Charlotte Observer

Lost songs from Alvin Ailey’s ‘Revelations’ find voice in new piece

Hyfin, NPR

Five Facts You Didn’t Know about Presidential Portraits

National Endowment for the Arts Blog

How glorifying ignorance leads to science illiteracy

Big Think

Researching lizard poison led to Ozempic. It’s the kind of breakthrough that science funding cuts could end

Impact | Fast Company

The Former Head of USAID on Why Foreign Aid Benefits Everyone

The Next Big Idea Podcast

The 100 Greatest TV Performances of the 21st Century

Variety

YouTube Viewing on TV Now Surpasses Mobile, Desktop in U.S.

Variety

Cheap blood test detects pancreatic cancer before it spreads

Nature

'It's almost science fiction': Scientists say the shape of Earth's inner core is changing

CNN Science

Your Soul Is a Blue Marble: How to See with an Astronaut's Eyes

The Marginalian

Can You Imagine a World Without 'Sesame Street'?

Peabody Awards

In Indianapolis, An "Adventure in Magnitudes" is Reshaping the Future of School

Letters from the Future (of Learning) | Sam Chaltain

Scientists announce the highest-energy neutrino ever detected

Popular Science

How Much Should Authors Get Paid to License Books to AI?

Bloomberg

Cognitive Dissonance: Why it is so hard to accept two contradictory thoughts

Idea to Value

Level up your creativity through my latest culinary adventure!

Indisruptable | Leo Chan

World's smallest particle accelerator could revolutionize medicine and physics

The Brighter Side of News

Neuroscientists find beautiful music sparks unique brain connectivity patterns

PsyPost

Nine Mathematical Equations that Changed the World

Greek Reporter

How AI can help in the creative design process

The Conversation

New York City's New Curriculum Gets Caught in the 'Math Wars'

Education Week

AI vs. artists: the battle over creative ownership heats up

Geek Sided

NIH plans to slash support for indirect research costs, sending shockwaves through science

STAT News

Great Ideas Die. Memes Live Forever

Gapingvoid

Graphic novels are booming in popularity. It's changing children's relationship with books

Design | Fast Company

Community Colleges Test New Model Linking Student Success to Community Impact

Diverse Issues in Higher Education

Peek a Boo - Pain Boredom and Nipping Fish

Learning & Teaching Creativity | Dan Hunter

Do Not Pass Go - "Labor Upon Mother Earth Produces Wages"

Learning & Teaching Creativity | Dan Hunter

Orange Juice Makers Are Desperate for a Comeback

Bloomberg Businessweek

Researchers Identify a Brain Circuit for Creativity

Mass General Birmingham

How women in STEM are driving research, innovation & start-ups, breaking barriers along the way

The Print

FSU Festival of the Creative Arts bridges science and creativity with Magnetic Dances

Florida State University News

DeepSeek CEO Liang Wenfeng trusts hiring 'humanities graduates' to lead the next tech revolution

MSN

An Homage to the Elements of Creativity and Science

East End Beacon

Re-framing the Arts and Humanities

HEPI

Need a job? Try majoring in the humanities, more colleges say.

Christian Science Monitor

Augmented Reality in Art: Bridging Creativity and Technology

The Daily Iowan

Refik Anadol Sees Artistic Possibilities in Data

TIME

345 Art Gallery showcases creativity, passion on Chicago's West Side

Fox32 Chicago

Stories, resources and communities to explore for International Day of Women and Girls in Science 2025

BioTechniques

Current cultural citizens: the importance of creating spaces in art galleries for young people

The Conversation

First Christie's Auction Devoted Exclusively To AI Art Sparks Backlash

Forbes

Art's impact on the community

Royal Purple News

The Future Of Work: Lessons From Space Innovation And Technology

Forbes

Tradition Versus Innovation: Self-Marketing Within Art

Forbes

Scientists find that a playful approach to life activates 'lemonading', which helps people cope with adversity

Frontier

AI art is not real art: where did the creative process go?

The Skyline View

From expression to resilience: Chitra Santhe artists share tips for creative success

Your Story

Anxiety boosts idea quantity but hinders creative originality, study suggests

PsyPost

This is your brain on love: Experts explain the science behind the romantic rush

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Don't Miss the First Hybrid Mother Tongue Film Festival

Smithsonian Voices | Smithsonian Center for Folklife & Cultural Heritage

How Canyon de Chelly Brought a Photographer Back to Life

Arts & Culture | Smithsonian Magazine

Orson Welles' All-Black Version of 'Macbeth' Excited Theatergoers Nationwide

Arts & Culture | Smithsonian Magazine

Study suggests reason behind people showing increased creativity after brain injuries, disorders

Healthworld | Economic Times

The Convergence Of Art & Design: Where Creativity Meets Practicality

Businessworld

A Mathematician Who Makes the Best of Things

The New York Times

Health systems of the future: harnessing technology and innovation in health for everyone everywhere

World Health Organization

All the Must-See Fairs and Exhibitions at Mexico City Art Week 2025

W Magazine

Her Discovery Wasn't Alien Life, but Science Has Never Been the Same

The New York Times

For the Sick and Dying, Live Music to Ease the Pain

The New York Times

ChatGPT's latest feature is a transformative leap for web research

Plugged In | Fast Company

How can I get over decision paralysis?

Work Life | Fast Company

When it comes to AI, innovation isn't enough

POV | Fast Company

How to innovate diversity for a changing global world

Impact Council | Fast Company

'The bad news is, this was fake': The tear-jerking story of author Barbara Miller was a marketing stunt, influencer says

Tech | Fast Company

Brown/Trinity Acting and Directing MFA Programs Put on Indefinite Pause

Playbill

"Here" and Now: Hollywood's Dubious AI Wager - Joshua Glick explores how Robert Zemeckis's unsatisfying dependence on AI in "Here" reflects the state of our culture.

Los Angeles Review of Books

Hollywood's AI Blind Spot: The Fatal Mistake That Will Kill the Industry

Shelly Palmer

Songwriters Who Unknowingly Signed Away Their Rights Finally Get a Real Second Chance: The Promise of Vetter v. Resnik (Guest Column)

Variety

You Are Having Fun - Will Gottsegen considers what is lost in Spotify's era of pandering recommendation.

Los Angeles Review of Books

The Future of Reading: Here Come the Allodidacts

The Hinternet

One woman's search for her place in the world of classical ballet

Globe and Mail

AI and the Transformation of Learning: My Recent Articles Available Online

Yong Zhao | Creative, Entrepreneurial, and Global: 21st Century Education

The Mystery of the World's Oldest Writing System Remained Unsolved Until Four Competitive Scholars Raced to Decipher It

History | Smithsonian Magazine

Scientists Detect Shape-Shifting Along Earth's Solid Inner Core

The New York Times

Questlove confronts the 'burden of Black genius' in a new Sly Stone documentary

Fresh Air | NPR

Trump Names Loyalist Interim Leader of Kennedy Center as He Strengthens His Grip

The New York Times

She Keeps 'The Lion King' in Motion

The New York Times

5 Notes From the Big A.I. Summit in Paris

The New York Times

A Tumultuous Decade of Generational Strife

Human-Centered Change and Innovation

"Music genres have undergone a noticeable simplification": Study concludes that modern music is not complex enough - and it's all your fault

Music Radar

People cannot tell AI-generated from human-written poetry and they like AI poetry more

PsyPost

How Much Should Authors Get Paid to License Books to AI?

Weekend Essay | Bloomberg

'Stand up for what's right': Melville House co-founder on publishing Jack Smith and Tulsa reports

The Guardian

The birth of naturalism – The modern era is often seen as the triumph of science over supernaturalism. But what really happened is far more interesting

Aeon Essays

What If and What's Next? Philosophy in Action

Play In Mind | Psychology Today

Jane Goodall Changed the Way We See Animals. She's Not Done. (Replay)

People I (Mostly) Admire | Freakonomics

Why tomorrow's breakthroughs will come from polyintelligent thinking

Tech | Fast Company

Is Artificial Intelligence Really Worth the Hype?

The New York Times

Guitars and UkEs in the Classroom receives grant to support guitar programs for Southern California schools

San Diego Union Tribune

'Wicked,' 'Emilia Pérez' and 'The Substance' Lead Critics Choice Awards, but 'Anora' Nabs Best Picture: Full Winners List

Variety

How women are fighting back against the resurgence of 'bro culture'

Work Life | Fast Company

Roblox joins \$27 million industry nonprofit to support online safety

Tech | Fast Company

Buffy Sainte-Marie stripped of prestigious Canadian honor

Culture | NPR

Winners of UNESCO's Youth Hackathon 2024 Shape the Future of Media and Information Literacy

UNESCO

LEGO proposes fun ideas to creatively ask 'will you marry me?' with bricks

DesignTAXI

It's Time to Pick Paint Colors

People, Places, and Things | Psychology Today

Beyond Burnout: How to Flourish in Work and Life

Last Stop on the Struggle Bus | Psychology Today

How We Screw Up Is Predictable

Putting Psyche Back Into Psychotherapy | Psychology Today

Dreams as a Source of Transrational Knowledge

The Leading Edge | Psychology Today

Meta goes to war with leakers

The Verge

Kenneth Turan discusses his new book tracing the history of MGM Film

Weekend Edition Saturday | NPR

This Is a Golden Age for University Presses

The Chronicle of Higher Education

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The **National Creativity Network** believes that by fostering creativity in our society as a whole, and specifically with future generations, America can remain a leader in innovation and free enterprise. The very future of our communities and institutions depends on our ability to nurture and harness imagination to creatively solve problems. If creativity is to be nurtured, systems, institutions and networks must be transformed.

The opportunities that emerge to transform our nation are largely dependent upon the degree to which we are connected to each other. Our connection will become a catalyst:

- to enhance the flow of relevant information,
- and to improve the ease with which key nodes of creativity, be they in the domains of Education, Commerce, Culture or across disciplines, can gain access to the best thinking, best questions, and most successful practices as well as other resources their ventures may require.

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