



ARTICLES OF INTEREST

April 18, 2025

QUOTE(S) OF THE WEEK

"Man is a creature of hope and invention, both of which belie the idea that things cannot be changed." – Tom Clancy

"Mathematics is a world created by the mind of man, and the mathematicians are people who devote their lives to what seems to me a wonderful kind of play!" – Constance Reid

"What one man can do himself directly is but little. If however he can stir up ten others to take up the task he has accomplished much." – Wilbur Wright

"Failure is unimportant. It takes courage to make a fool of yourself." – Charlie Chaplin

"Many a genius has been slow of growth. Oaks that flourish for a thousand years do not spring up into beauty like a reed." – George Henry Lewes

VIDEO(S) OF THE WEEK

Always Be Ready: An Education Leadership Story

The Wallace Foundation

OK Go - Love (Official Video)

OK Go

Also

An exclusive look into OK Go's next viral masterpiece

Fast Company

What Is the Demographic Cliff?

The Chronicle of Higher Education

Every single Peep — America's most beloved Easter candy — comes from one place: Bethlehem, Pa.

The Philadelphia Inquirer

FEATURED EVENTS/OPPORTUNITIES

NEW Celebrate America! Chairman's Grants in Honor of America's 250th Anniversary

National Endowment for the Humanities

Applications will be accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis.

World Creativity & Innovation Week

World Creativity & Innovation

Through April 21

Animationland

National Children's Museum

Through May 11

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

NEW NASA Announces Call for New Computing Approaches to Earth Science

NASA

April 28

NEW WSU College of Engineering invites local high school students to register for free Girl Day event

Wichita State University

April 30

Search Begins for 2025 America's Top Young Scientist

Discovery Education

Deadline: May 1

NEW Ava DuVernay to Be Awarded Smithsonian's Great Americans Medal

BET

May 8

NEW WONDER: Art + Healing Symposium

The Ringling

May 14 -16

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

NEW Explore Design Practice and Pedagogy

2025 AIGA Design Educators Conference | Normal, Illinois

June 12–13

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

Unleashing Imagination: The Creative Brain and AI

The Dallas Morning News

October 9

2025 Prospectus

Wisconsin Science Festival

October 16 – 26

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

Wholeness Begins with Imagination

Philosophies in Psychology | Psychology Today Canada

Opinion | America used to fire the world's imagination – but now the cultural conversation is being silenced

The Guardian

How the Radical Right Captured the Culture

The New Republic

Busting the myths of gamification

IDEO Journal

Melinda French Gates explains her \$1 billion promise to change the world for women

Leadership Now | Fast Company

How great leaders use curiosity to drive innovation

Secrets of the Most Productive People | Fast Company

Joy is an Inside Job: Art, Gratitude and Cultivating Resilience

Learning Through Experience with Heidi Brooks | Yale Insights

White House eliminates permanent spot for news services in press pool

The Washington Post

Paint Brand Develops Non-Visual Color System For The Blind

DesignTAXI

Creativity in Artificial Intelligence

Max-Planck-Gesellschaft

UW–Madison breaks ground on long-anticipated engineering center

University of Wisconsin-Madison News

Texas A&M Invests In High-Impact Research To Drive Innovation And Accelerate Scientific Discovery

Texas A&M Stories | Texas A&M University

This professor studies dictatorships. He helped convince Harvard to stand up to Trump

Los Angeles Times

What I Learned at the White House

USC Viterbi School of Engineering | University of Southern California

How creativity became the reigning value of our time

MIT Technology Review

Science, Art, and Creativity Celebrated at Research Showcase

News | Rutgers Camden

Arts advocates say the Legislature continues to put creativity on the chopping block

Hawaii Public Radio

Intersection of AI, humanities explored at university symposium

News | Illinois State University

A Scanning Error Created a Fake Science Term—Now AI Won't Let It Die

Gizmodo

Yes, there really is a black hole on the loose in Sagittarius

Science News

In the wake of Trump's tariff chaos, Mexico's economy needs a rethink: A perspective from our CEO, Part 3

Mexico News Daily

Also

Part 2: Why is a rethink of the Mexican economy necessary?

Mexico News Daily

Part 1: How did we get here?

Mexico News Daily

Viewing Art Boosts Wellbeing

Neuroscience News

Proposed NIH budget cut threatens 'massive destruction of American science'

The Transmitter

Make No Mistake - "The Answer to a Secretary's Prayers"

Learning & Teaching Creativity | Dan Hunter

From earthworms to heat shields: Trailblazing STEM educator teaches outside the textbook

GeekWire

Guess What? You Might Be a Computer Scientist

IC News | Ithaca College

EU bans the bots: Commission bars 'AI agents' from joining online meetings

Politico

Building for a Better World: Norfolk Students Bring STEM to Life with NASA Partnership

NASA

Tennessee just made an invisible update to its tourism site—and it's brilliant

Design | Fast Company

This 3D-printed train station in Japan took less than 6 hours to build

Design | Fast Company

Why human connection matters in healthcare

Impact Council | Fast Company

DOGE cuts AmeriCorps funding—forcing members to be discharged early

Impact | Fast Company

Innovation Truths

Human-Centered Change and Innovation

Enrollment and engagement

Seth's Blog

On Broadway, Nobody Knows Nothing

Freakonomics Radio

Also

How Is Live Theater Still Alive?

Freakonomics Radio

Is it curtains up on a new generation on Broadway?

The Guardian

Ex-Google CEO Eric Schmidt: AI that is 'as smart as the smartest artist' will be here in 3 to 5 years

Music Business Worldwide

Volatility Bites: Why Hollywood Is Terrified of Tariffs

The Hollywood Reporter

Television wasn't the death knell for cinema – and that holds lessons for the creative industries and AI

The Conversation

Hungary's Legislation Targeting LGBTQ+ Community Leaves Hollywood Film & TV Productions In Limbo

Deadline

Also

Hungary Implemented Anti-LGBTQ+ Laws, but Hollywood Probably Won't Care

Variety

Under the Taliban, Afghanistan's musicians have fallen silent

Index on Censorship

Water Droplets Cling to Fluorescent Plant Spines in Tom Leighton's Alluring Photos

Colossal

Google Has an Illegal Monopoly in Ad-Tech Market, Judge Rules

Variety

Webb telescope detects a possible signature of life on a distant world

The Washington Post

Russia seeds chatbots with lies. Any bad actor could game AI the same way.

The Washington Post

The congressional Black Caucus Foundation launches new scholarship for underrepresented students in STEM

POCIT (People of Color in Tech)

The duty of care: How leaders can anchor teams in turbulent times

Smart Brief

Wikipedia Is Making a Dataset for Training AI Because It's Overwhelmed by Bots

Gizmodo

Google Is Operating an Ad Tech Monopoly, Judge Rules

Gizmodo

Northwestern Law Professors Win Battle as House Committee Withdraws Investigation Request

Diverse Issues in Higher Education

James Webb telescope spots Milky Way's long-lost 'twin' — and it is 'fundamentally changing our view of the early universe'

Live Science

Thinking Critically and Creatively in Math with Dr. Jo Boaler

Fueling Creativity in Education Podcast

The 2025 Creativity Conference, episode 2: Cutting-Edge Research from Top Psychologists

The Science of Creativity | Dr. Keith Sawyer

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The 2025 Creativity Conference: Cutting-Edge Research from Top Psychologists

The Science of Creativity | Dr. Keith Sawyer

Innovation: An essential investment in times of uncertainty

Fast Company Executive Board

Renée Fleming Neuroarts Investigator Awards 2025 Award Recipients

NeuroArts Blueprint

Opinion | Tom Friedman Thinks We're Getting China Dangerously Wrong (Contains Strong Language)

The Ezra Klein Show | The New York Times

Combining Science and Music for Deeper Learning

Edutopia

Kurt Weill Kept Reinventing Himself

The New Yorker

An Open Source Pioneer Wants to Unleash Open Source AI Robots

WIRED

Meet the first group of 2025 Milwaukee Business Journal Women of Influence

Milwaukee Business Journal

Orange County's Teacher of the Year has creative approach to boost student's confidence in math

Click Orlando

Trump's tech and science policy chief says Biden led with 'spirit of fear' and that today's progress lags 20th century innovation

Fortune

Bipartisan caucus criticizes proposed NASA science budget cuts

Space News

Did an AI-generated design win an Oregon State University T-shirt contest?

KGW8

Sketching, scribbling and scicomm

ASBMB Today | American society for biochemistry and molecular biology

Fine art and design using artificial intelligence

Penn Today

New book 'Psychology of Liberty' examines freedom as allowing humans to be what they were intended to be

KU News

Google's New AI Is Trying to Talk to Dolphins—Seriously

Gizmodo

China's rare earth minerals power the modern world. Banning their export could destroy it

Fast Company

Marvel's new 'Fantastic Four' poster is a breath of fresh air in the AI age

Fast Company

A lesson on looking

TED

Mentalism, mind reading and the art of getting inside your head

TED

Immigrant Narratives Inspire Creativity at 44th College Television Awards

Television Academy Foundation

The possibilities for Canada-EU research partnerships are endless

Canadian National Observer

Space Travel and Tuberculosis Are Hit By Trump's Harvard Cuts

The New York Times

Leading Nutrition Scientist Departs N.I.H., Citing Censorship

The New York Times

Why Hyundai is doubling down on EVs—despite Trump's war on the cars

Impact | Fast Company

This Earth Day, stop thinking in quarters and start thinking in generations

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What is a 'pink tariff'? A gender tax exists in global trade, too

News | Fast Company

Inside the new tactile tech bringing basketball to blind and low-vision fans

Design | Fast Company

White House restricts wire services' access to Trump

News | Fast Company

Melinda French Gates on what billionaires with 'absurd' wealth owe back to society

Fresh Air | NPR

Contemporary Science versus Natural Language

Human-Centered Change and Innovation

The use (and design) of tools

Seth's Blog

Sony World Photography Awards 2025 Captures Nature Staged For Human Indulgence

DesignTAXI

Auctioning AI: Ai-Da's Historic Million-Dollar Moment

The Mind of a Collector | Psychology Today

Is This the Most Confused Pitch for Arts Funding Ever?

Artnet News

'Enough Is Enuf' Review: A Dream of Simpler Spelling

The Wall Street Journal

How architecture shapes video game play

The Conversation

Five Years in the Making, a MiG-21 Fighter Jet Gets a Glow-Up from Tens of Millions of Glass Beads

Colossal

Remarkable Photos by Cristina Mittermeier Spotlight the Need for Hope Amid Crisis

Colossal

These Actors are Expanding the Stage, Changing How People See Disability

Arts Midwest

The Best American Poetry of the 21st Century (So Far)

The Atlantic

A Tariff 'Tidal Wave': Higher Costs, Donor Pullback, More Budget Pain

The Chronicle of Philanthropy

White House to Ask Congress to Claw Back Funding From NPR and PBS

The New York Times

East Coast Harley-Davidson dealer launches grassroots campaign for CEO post

Milwaukee Business Journal

Quality Beats Quantity

Gapingvoid

Spokane's Spokesman-Review is going nonprofit

Poynter

2025 Smithsonian Education Awards Honor Collaborative and Innovative Programs That Enhance Learning for All

Smithsonian Voices | Smithsonian Education

How the United States became a science superpower — and how quickly it could crumble

Nature

Huge advance in brain research that was supposed to be 'impossible'

Earth.com

Scientists identify key enzyme in Alzheimer's disease that links brain inflammation to memory loss

Medical Xpress

A visual pathway in the brain may do more than recognize objects

MIT News

New Work City celebrates the creativity of University of Iowa grad students

Performing Arts Iowa

Radical approach to shrink particle colliders gains momentum

Nature

Opinion: Higher-Ed Brain Drain Threatens National Economy, Security

Government Technology

'We Are Not Programmed to Die,' Says Nobel Laureate Venki Ramakrishnan

WIRED

Where is your N + 1?

Seth's Blog

Researchers Develop a Soft Battery That Has the Consistency of Toothpaste

Gizmodo

Melinda French Gates Is Just Getting Started

Philanthropy Today | The Chronicle of Philanthropy

Neutrinos Have No Business Being This Freaking Small

Gizmodo

Inside Trump's Pressure Campaign on Universities

The New York Times

Blue Origin Crew Including Gayle King and Katy Perry Returns Safely After Space Launch

The New York Times

This Kidney Was Frozen for 10 Days. Could Surgeons Transplant It?

The New York Times

NBA legend Carmelo Anthony talks about working for social change

Work Life | Fast Company

Elon Musk and Jack Dorsey want to kill IP law. That would be a huge mistake

Tech | Fast Company

The power of smart design

Design Within Reach | Fast Company

The plastic recycling myth and our very real crisis

Impact Council | Fast Company

Theaters want you to wait longer to stream movies. Why that probably won't happen

Y!Entertainment | Los Angeles Times

Classical music at Coachella? LA Philharmonic makes desert debut

Reuters

America and Its Universities Need a New Social Contract

The Atlantic

Teachers Worry About Students Using A.I. But They Love It for Themselves.

The New York Times

We Need the Liberal Arts to Keep Us from Being Tools of Our Tools

3 Quarks Daily

'Titanic: The Digital Resurrection' Unveils an Unprecedented View of the Harrowing Maritime Disaster

Colossal

Meet Aimee Lee, an Artist-Educator Expanding the Legacy of Korean Papermaking

Arts Midwest

L.A. Location Shoots Dropped by 22% in Q1 2025 Amid Fires, but 'Impact on Local Filming Levels Appears to Have Been Temporary'

Variety

Trump Wants to Make American Culture Great Again. This Is How He Should Do It.

The New York Times

5 ways to cultivate curiosity and become a better leader

Fast Company

Carl Jung on Creativity

The Marginalian

What's next for AI? A conversation with OpenAI's Sam Altman — live at TED2025

TED Blog

The most influential design book you've never heard of

Design | Fast Company

AAM Recognizes 8 Individuals and 4 Institutions for Exemplary Work in the Museum Field

American Alliance of Museums

Scientists Found a 520-Million-Year-Old Miracle: a Fossil With Brains and Guts Intact

Popular Mechanics

A Masterpiece Doesn't Have to End at the Borders of the Frame

The New York Times

Trump Adds Tariff Exemptions for Smartphones, Computers and Other Electronics

The New York Times

Half of the universe's hydrogen gas, long unaccounted for, has been found

UC Berkeley News

Engineered bacteria emit signals that can be spotted from a distance

MIT News

6 forgotten heroes of mid-century Modern design you need to know

Design | Fast Company

Section 230 helped create the internet. What happens if it goes away?

Tech | Fast Company

Steve Jobs was probably the last beloved tech leader the world will ever have—and that's a good thing

Tech | Fast Company

The next big AI shift in media? Turning news into a two-way conversation

Tech | Fast Company

Do what you can. A new kids' book shows how even 'The Littlest Drop' helps

Picture This | NPR

An epic day 5 of TED2025

TED Blog

Also

Babies, brains and breakthroughs: Day 4 of TED2025

TED Blog

Big ideas from day 3 of TED2025

TED Blog

What we learned at day 2 of TED2025

TED Blog

5 things we learned at day 1 of TED2025

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Five Questions Great Leaders Always Ask

Human-Centered Change and Innovation

How to win an argument with a toddler

Seth's Blog

The AI effort gap

Seth's Blog

Helping People Die

People I (Mostly) Admire | Freakonomics

Fortune Cookies

The Economics of Everyday Things | Freakonomics

Interruptions and Surprises Can Be Good for Us

400 Friends but Who Can I Call? | Psychology Today

How Can the Movie Industry Thrive Again? Simple: Make 100 Movies a Year That People Want to See

Variety

Am I Still Allowed to Tell the Truth in My Class?

The Atlantic

A federal website watered down the Underground Railroad. Harriet Tubman's descendant wants to know why.

NBC News

This color is 'a pigment of your imagination': Here's why

Penn Live

New Genes Linked to Parkinson's Risk Revealed

Neuroscience News

Proposed NASA Budget Cuts 'Would Decimate American Leadership in Space'

WIRED

Trump's Trade War With China Is Now Hurting Hollywood—and US Soft Power

WIRED

High school student uses AI to reveal 1.5 million previously unknown objects in space

Phys.org

A Disaster for American Innovation

The Atlantic

The Men Who Cry Wolf

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