



National Creativity Network

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

Warm wishes for a happy, healthy and safe New Year!

January 8, 2021

QUOTE(S) OF THE WEEK

"I hope that in this year to come, you make mistakes. Because if you are making mistakes, then you are making new things, trying new things, learning, living, pushing yourself, changing yourself, changing your world. You're doing things you've never done before, and more importantly, you're doing something." – Neil Gaiman

"The secret of change is to focus all of your energy, not on fighting the old, but on building the new." – Socrates

"It's easier to resist at the beginning than at the end." – Leonardo da Vinci

"Creativity can solve almost any problem. The creative act, the defeat of habit by originality, overcomes everything." – George Lois

"If your language lacks poetry and paradox, it's unequal to the task of accounting for actuality. Otherwise anything radically new is literally unspeakable." – Bob Black

"Progress lies not in enhancing what is, but in advancing toward what will be." – Khalil Gibran

"My process is thinking ... thinking ... and thinking. If you have a better way, please let me know." – Hayao Miyazaki

"It is difficult to say what is impossible, for the dream of yesterday is the hope of today and the reality of tomorrow." – Robert H. Goddard

"For millions of years mankind lived just like the animals. Then something happened which unleashed the power of our imagination. We learned to talk." – Stephen Hawking

20 Inspirational Quotes to Start off 2021

George Couros Blog

VIDEO(S) OF THE WEEK

Female Filmmakers Look Back on What Made Them Get in the Directors Chair: 'It's Something Boys Do' (Video)

The Wrap

6 big ethical questions about the future of AI

TED Salon: Dell Technologies

Freeze Frame: A Meditative Stop-Motion Short Explores Preservation and Decay Through a Tedious Ice Harvest

Colossal

Watch the 2020 Mixtape

Science and Entertainment Exchange

Watch Flipping the Switch on Right and Wrong: Evolving Ethics in Science

Science and Entertainment Exchange

The Science of Racial Identity

#HipHopMD

Boston Dynamics' Robots Dance Bad Juju Away To Celebrate The New Year

DesignTAXI.com

Abstract: The Art of Design | Christoph Niemann: Illustration

Netflix

Breaking Big

OZY

FEATURED EVENTS/OPPORTUNITIES

NEW An Evening with Martin Sheen and 24 Other Smithsonian Programs Streaming in January

Smithsonian Voices

Through January

NEW Viewfinder: Women's Film and Video from the Smithsonian

Because of HER Story | Smithsonian

Monthly Series | First Thursday of the Month

NEW NASA Highlights Innovation, Technology at Virtual SciTech Forum

NASA

January 11

NEW Succeeding in STEM: Leading Innovation against the odds

Rutgers University | Newark

January 13

NEW Grey Matters: What the History of Vaccines Can Tell Us About the Future

The Science and Entertainment Exchange

January 13

NEW Creativity Connects the World: Preparing Students to be Global Citizens

Crayola Education

January 26

National Portrait Gallery Accepting Entries for Sixth Triennial Outwin Boochever Portrait Competition

Smithsonian Voices | National Portrait Gallery

Deadline: January 29

50 Books | 50 Covers

AIGA

Deadline: February 8

STEM Education Summit: Building a Coalition for Attracting and Retaining a Diverse STEM Teaching Workforce | Virtual

Smithsonian Science Education Center

February 20 – 27

Call for Articles | General Issue

European Journal of Cultural Management and Policy | ENCATC

Deadline: Ongoing

Idea Jams 2020/2021

Canadian Network for Imagination and Creativity

Series

CreativeMornings | a monthly breakfast lecture series

CreativeMornings

Various

Interactive Map | Science Festivals

Science Festival Alliance

Various

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

Excellence Now Campaign

Tom Peters Blog

Super-satisfying Instagram page is ID'ing the domestic terrorists who stormed the capitol

GOOD

Also

19 unforgettable quotes from political leaders on a day that will live in infamy

National Geographic

A historic day in photos: from a pro-Trump insurrection to a pre-dawn Biden victory sealed

National Geographic

27 tweets that tell the story of Wednesday's U.S. Capitol riot

Fast Company

The Race to Preserve the DC Mob's Digital Traces

WIRED

How newspapers around the world covered the siege on the U.S. Capitol building

Fast Company

NASA, NSF Sign Agreement to Advance Space, Earth, Biological, Physical Sciences

NASA

Ten Innovators to Watch in 2021

Innovation | Smithsonian

Time to Reinvent: 5 Tips for Boosting Creativity and Innovation

Entrepreneur

How To Stay Creative In Times Of Uncertainty

Forbes

Liam Young's Planet City could tackle climate change by housing 10 billion people in a single metropolis

Dezeen

New Red Sox Coach Bianca Smith Makes History, Breaks Barriers

WBUR

Music professor Brian Cherney appointed to the Order of Canada

McGill Reporter

Roku Acquires Global Rights to 75-Plus Quibi Shows, Will Stream Them for Free

Variety

Black-founded Kanarys raises 'historic' \$3 million in funding for diversity and inclusion technology

The Dallas Morning News

A Rapid Response to Racism in STEM

Inside Higher Ed

Disney Parks without Joe Rohde: A world-maker retires. What's next?

Los Angeles Times

Google Looks Back At Its Favorite Design Moments From 2020

DesignTAXI.com

Breaking Big

OZY

6 trends that will reshape business purpose in 2021

Fast Company

The “dozen-bagel” secret to preserving startup spirit as your company grows

Fast Company

4 remote practices I've learned inspire creativity in my team

Fast Company

JAMA study: Women doctors face swarms of 'emotionally distressing' personal attacks on social media

Fast Company

Why isn't there a line at the library?

Seth's Blog

How You Can Create Your Own Creativity

School of Thought | Psychology Today

Report Shows Music Streaming Set New Record in 2020, With 17% U.S. Increase Led by Huge Lil Baby Tally

Variety

Rap Lyrics Now Admissible as Court Evidence: A Dangerous Precedent (Guest Column)

Variety

America Is Pumping Out Too Many Ph.D.s

Bloomberg Opinion

Reanimating 'Pixar': How Pete Docter Steered the Studio Out of Scandal

The Hollywood Reporter

The Spiritual Message at the Heart of 'Peanuts'

Literary Hub

How to channel boredom

Psyche

9 Fascinating Facts About Zora Neale Hurston

Mental Floss

Taking Note: COVID-19 Economic Outlook and Recovery for the Arts—More Statistics (and Stories)

National Endowment for the Arts Blog

Like a human thunderbolt: why Sylvia Plath’s art transcends her tragic story

Prospect

Pop quiz: Is this repulsive?

The Art Law Blog

Our old models of journalistic impact need to change

Nieman Lab

Kirby Brady appointed as city’s first chief innovation officer

Fox 5 San Diego

Neil Young sells 50 per cent of his music catalogue worth estimated \$150m

Madison.com, Celebretainment

Science and HipHop: Using Music to Communicate Science

American Scientist

Podcast: “Good Guys” Supporting Women in the STEM Workplace

All Together

What Leading Designers, Educators, and Writers Want to See in 2021

Eye on Design | AIGA

How pharmaceutical innovation is saving the world

Medical Economics

Analysis: Science Matters Now More Than Ever. The Time to Start Teaching It Is in Elementary School

The 74

Recognizing innovation

EurekaAlert! | AAAS

Why being creative is good for you

BBC Culture

Opinion | Why we need the arts and humanities to get us through the COVID-19 pandemic

USA Today

The Way Americans Remember the Blackwell Sisters Shortchanges Their Legacy

History | Smithsonian

Scientists Want to Give Neural Networks Virtual Drugs

Futurism

How Native Artisans in Alaska Bring Innovation and Humor to Their Craft

Arts & Culture | Smithsonian

World's Rarest Turtle Could Be Saved From Extinction After Female Found In Vietnam

IFL Science

'Incredible' gene-editing result in mice inspires plans to treat premature-aging syndrome in children

Science | AAAS

There Should Be a Nobel Prize for Vaccine Logistics

WIRED

2020's Most Popular Articles

American Scientist

2020's Most Popular Blog Posts

American Scientist

The first Black U.S. senator lived an extraordinary life

National Geographic

The Default for Our Minds Is "Closed"

The Creativity Post

Psyching Up Musicians

Live... In Concert | Psychology Today

Philly project expands nationally to ask: Who deserves a monument?

The Philadelphia Inquirer

L'Affaire Caliphate

Vulture

Opinion | Are We the Cows of the Future?

The New York Times

The Power Of A Question

The Creativity Post

The biggest technology failures of 2020

MIT Technology Review

20 worthwhile conferences for women in tech

CIO.com

Various

A Brief History of Peanut Butter

Innovation | Smithsonian

States with the biggest Native American populations

Tulsa World

National Guild 2019 Benchmarking Data Report: Creative Aging

Aroha Philanthropies

How Policies Aimed At Female Founders And Investors Can Reignite The Economy And Close The Gap In Opportunity

Forbes

How COVID-19 Attacks The Brain And May Cause Lasting Damage

Shots | NPR

Johns Hopkins Social Innovation Lab selects 10 projects for accelerator program

Hub | Johns Hopkins University

Taylor Swift's 'Folklore' Goes Down in the Books as the No. 1 Album of 2020

Variety

Is Substack the Media Future We Want?

The New Yorker

Who Invented the Alphabet?

History | Smithsonian

How Black Panther Changed Comic Books (and Wakanda) Forever

Smithsonian

Podcast S4E93: Christiane Michaelis – How art can help businesses learn to be creative

Idea to Value

This Chinese village used to produce 60% of the world's oil paintings, Part 1

Idea to Value

Also

This Chinese village used to produce 60% of the world's oil paintings, Part 2

Idea to Value

8 Themes For The Near Future Of Tech

Scott Branson | Medium

Want to Be More Successful (and Creative?) Science Says Embrace the Paradox Mindset

Inc Magazine | Medium

How to Set Up a Science Fair During the Pandemic

Edutopia

The 30-second trick that can make anyone more creative

Fast Company

How designers are memorializing the biggest tragedy of the century

Fast Company

Doordash Used Art As 'Bait' to Get Customers to Order Tons of Food

AdAge.com

Maine remains only state to fully ban Native American mascots. Why haven't others followed?

USA Today

San Francisco's Top Art School Says Future Hinges on a Diego Rivera Mural

The New York Times

Fixing Section 230—not ending it—would be better for everyone

Fast Company

To Space & Beyond!

#HipHopMD

Mode switching

Seth's Blog

A gift for mothers and babies

Gates Notes

The 10 Most Astonishing Archaeological Discoveries of 2020, From an Ancient Cat Carving to the Amazon Rock Paintings

artnet news

Ray Bradbury at 100: A Conversation Between Sam Weller and Dana Gioia

Los Angeles Review of Books

Inexhaustible Precision

The Point Magazine

7 Ways Your Imagination Can Enhance Your Well-Being

The Creativity Cure | Psychology Today

See Which Countries Reign As Most Creative In 2020-2021's World Design Rankings

DesignTAXI.com

Inclusive design pioneer August de los Reyes dies of COVID-19 complications

Fast Company

Doobert.com launches new Animal Innovations Show

EIN Presswire

Beyah Named Dean of College of Engineering

Georgia Tech News Center

This clever attachment makes any bike an e-bike in just seconds

Fast Company

LIFEWTR debuts 'Black Art Rising' to immortalize the legacy of Black protest art

The Philadelphia Tribune

Engineering professor named a fellow of the National Academy of Inventors

Penn State News

LEGO Education Unveils New Tech-Free STEAM Learning Initiative

Red Tricycle

Kalamazoo — worst spot for U.S. brain drain — gets hope as COVID-19 vaccine hub

Crain's Detroit Business

Nanoparticle Platform Could Make Delivering Drugs to the Brain Easier

Technology Networks

Neuroscientists seek Parkinson's, addiction insights by tracking gene expression

EurekAlert! | AAAS

Gerry Marsden, a Hitmaker With the Pacemakers, Dies at 78

The New York Times

Why a new class of cities threaten Silicon Valley's supremacy

Fast Company

How are we going to get COVID-19 vaccines to rural Americans?

Fast Company

The tech that keeps World Central Kitchen cooking in times of disaster

Fast Company

Pain is real

Seth's Blog

The Psychological Appeal of Snake Oil

The Creativity Post

Executors undervalued Prince's estate by \$80m, IRS says

The Guardian

Roku in Talks to Acquire Rights to Quibi Shows (Report)

Variety

National Gallery of Art Adds 40 Works by Black Southern Artists to Its Collections
Smart News | Smithsonian

Isaac Asimov on Optimism vs. Cynicism about the Human Spirit
Brain Pickings

Women In STEM Received Some Overdue Recognition In 2020
Forbes

Med School Applications Are Up 18%, Thanks to 'the Fauci Effect'
Marker | Medium

Wikipedia's Biggest Challenge Awaits in 2021
WIRED

The Milky Way gets a new origin story
WIRED

Your Most Important Asset
Imagineer7's Weblog

These breakthroughs will make 2021 better than 2020
Gates Notes | Bill Gates

They spent 12 years solving a puzzle. It yielded the first COVID-19 vaccines.
National Geographic

The 10 most exciting world-changing ideas of 2020
Fast Company

Pierre Cardin, the Groundbreaking French Fashion Designer, Has Died at 98
Vogue

5 of my favorite books of 2020.
Daniel Pink

A Mathematician Has Finally Solved the Infamous Goat Problem
Popular Mechanics

Our Top 10 Stories of 2020
IDEO Blog

The Next Big Idea Club's Top 24 Books of 2020
The Next Big Idea Club

The 100 greatest innovations of 2020
Popular Science

20 Things That Made the World a Better Place in 2020
WIRED

2020's Biggest Design Trends Were All Over the Map

Eye on Design | AIGA

The Best Art of 2020

The New Yorker

Three Mathematicians We Lost in 2020

The New Yorker

Why Experts Create Few New Ideas

Imagineer7's Weblog

Ending the pandemic means vaccinating the whole world—but the US is focusing on itself

Popular Science

American Scientist Year in Review 2020

American Scientist

Lab for Innovation Science and Policy

MIT Innovation Initiative

We are not 'Silicon' anything. We are #MiamiTech — of, by and for this community

Opinion | Miami Herald

Why the U.S. needs a national climate investment fund

Fortune

The Physics of the Graphene Revolution

Predict | Medium

9 Ways To Make Innovation Happen In This Time Of Need

Startup Professionals Musings

Here are the top tech trends of 2021, according to 30+ top experts

Fast Company

'Ratatouille: The TikTok Musical' Cooks Up Storm With \$1M Raised For Actors Fund

DesignTAXI.com

SAG-AFTRA, PGA Recommend Temporary Hold on Southern California Production Amid COVID Surge

Variety

Google's workers unionize, launching the Alphabet Workers Union

Fast Company

The future of cities is walkable, healthy, resilient places

Fast Company

Why People Receiving the COVID-19 Vaccines Still Need to Wear Masks

American Scientist

How personal heritage shapes lives

Partner Content | National Geographic

When the world reopens, will art museums still be there?

National Geographic

Don't Just Recover From The Pandemic—Emerge Stronger With These 4 Technologies

Forbes

Leading computer scientists debate the next steps for AI in 2021

VentureBeat

Busting Procrastination

The Creativity Post

The Year of Quarantinis and Covidiotis

Language in the Wild | Psychology Today

Giving Kids the Gift of Lasting Confidence

Adolescents, Explained | Psychology Today

Inhibition: The Counterintuitive Key to Creativity

Psychiatry for the People | Psychology Today

The Year Hollywood Stopped Playing by Its Own Rules

Vulture

Archaeologists Have Uncovered an Impeccably Preserved Food Stand in Pompeii

Colossal

Queen of Kitsch: Frida Kahlo: Her brand has quickly spread from cult to cliché

The Critic

Superheroes and Trailblazers: Black Comic Book Artists, Rediscovered

The New York Times

Lakers Owner Jeanie Buss on Leadership, Love and Magic

The New York Times

Treehouse teaching and laundry art: Educators find creative ways to reach kids

The Washington Post

UN eyes bigger role for creative economy in promoting sustainable development

Arab News

2021 Predictions: Why these tech, science and startup leaders are upbeat about the year ahead

GeekWire

Our #1 AI Hype Of 2020!: Elon Musk Will Fix Your Brain!

Mind Matters News

Infrastructure

Seth's Blog

What are the smartest animals in the world, and how do we know?

Popular Science

The Artist Isn't Dead

The New Republic

Where in the Brain Does Creativity Come from? Evidence from Jazz Musicians

Neuroscience

Why Do We Dream? A New Theory on How It Protects Our Brains

TIME

How Pixar's 'Soul' Animates Jazz

The New York Times

How Convenience Stifles Your Creativity

The Next Big Idea Club

Six problem-solving mindsets for very uncertain times

McKinsey Quarterly

Are you asking enough from your design leaders?

McKinsey Quarterly

5 predictions for how we'll get around after COVID-19

Fast Company

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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.

Our strategy is to engage thought leaders across North America to create a powerful network for transformation.

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