



National Creativity Network

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

February 5, 2021

QUOTE(S) OF THE WEEK

“Science is like literature, a continuing dialog among diverse and conflicting voices, no one ever wholly right or wholly wrong, but a steady conversation forever provisional and personal and living.” – Gregory Benford

“Mistakes are the portals of discovery.” – James Joyce

“One must learn by doing the thing, for though you think you know it, you have no certainty until you try.” – Aristotle

“Imaginary evil is romantic and varied; real evil is gloomy, monotonous, barren, boring. Imaginary good is boring; real good is always new, marvelous, intoxicating.” – Simone Weil

“It must be remembered that there is nothing more difficult to plan, more doubtful of success, nor more dangerous to manage, that the creation of a new system. For the initiator has the enmity of all who would profit by the preservation of the old institutions and merely lukewarm defenders in those who would gain by the new ones.” – Niccolò Machiavelli

“There is one thing stronger than all the armies in the world, and that is an Idea whose time has come.” – Victor Hugo

VIDEO(S) OF THE WEEK

5 suggestions to immerse yourself in Black culture this Black History Month
Fast Company

Watch A Covid-19 Conversation With Larry Brilliant & Seth MacFarlane
The Science and Entertainment Exchange

A stealthy reimagining of urban public space

TEDWomen 2020

Murmuration: A Stunning Animated Poem About Our Connection to Nature and to Each Other

Brain Pickings

Bursts of Inky, Technicolor Liquids Mimic Human Eyes in a Short Film About Optical Phenomena

Colossal

4 ways to cultivate creativity

Fast Company

Watch Minnesota Creators Discuss How Theater Has Responded to the Pandemic

Twin Cities Geek

A Wildly Relatable Animation About Existential Dread Reminds Us to Enjoy the Moment

Colossal

FEATURED EVENTS/OPPORTUNITIES

Viewfinder: Women's Film and Video from the Smithsonian

Because of HER Story | Smithsonian

Monthly Series | First Thursday of the Month

Fourteenth session of the Intergovernmental Committee for the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions

UNESCO

Through February 6

NEW Women and Girls of Science returns for a reinvented 4th edition

NewsWire.ca

Through February 11

50 Books | 50 Covers

AIGA

Deadline: February 8

NEW Social (in)justice takes centre stage at Humanities Literacy Week

University of Victoria

February 8 – 12

NEW Impulse Control: Making Your Brain Work for You

The Science and Entertainment Exchange

February 10

NEW Convergence Symposium

Hopkins Center for the Arts at Dartmouth with the Alliance for the Arts in Research Universities

February 11 – 12

shots Awards | The Americas 2021

shots Awards

Deadline: February 12

Maine Science Festival goes online

Mt. Desert Islander

February 16

UCLA, Berggruen Institute announce lecture series featuring emerging visionaries

UCLA Newsroom

February 18; Series

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

Smithsonian Science Education Center

February 20 – 27

Six reasons to apply to Fast Company's Best Workplaces for Innovators

Fast Company

Deadline: February 26

NEW Vibrant Ecologies of Research

Ground Works

Deadline: February 26

2021 Knight Media Forum

Hopin.com

March 2 – 4

NEW Mav Carter, Evan Spiegel, Rebecca Minkoff headline first Most Innovative Companies Summit

Fast Company

March 9 – 10

Request for Applications

Citizens' Institute for Rural Design

Deadline: March 12

Amazon Future Engineer Teacher of the Year Awards

Amazon Future Engineer

Deadline: March 19

Announcing 2021 WOW! Innovation Challenge #1

All Together | Society of Women Engineers

Deadline: March 30

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

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NEW Imagine if...

Nevergrey

March 1 - 4

“Imagine if... is inspired by Sir Ken's observation that what separates us out from other life on earth is our power of imagination – the power to bring things to mind that are not present to our senses. It is this power of imagination that allows us to create the world in which we live, as well as to recreate it.”

“The week-long celebration will hero creativity around the world, showcase the best of what humankind has to offer, celebrate the diversity of our talents, and honour the key themes that were woven throughout Sir Ken's life work. It will also give us, his global community, an opportunity to come together to mark his passing and commit to continuing his legacy together.”

Creativity is the answer we've been looking for – now is the time to embrace and invest in it

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

Also

Introducing Creativity, Culture & Capital

Nesta

Research | Creativity, Culture & Capital

Upstart Co-Lab

Creativity Is More Than Just Coming Up with Ideas

The Creativity Post

To Change the Way You Think, Change the Way You See

Harvard Business Review

31 arresting photos from the National Geographic archives

National Geographic

Byte-sized learning

MIT News

Biden: Yellen needs a “Hamilton” musical. Dessa: Here you go.

Marketplace

Learned Helplessness in creativity

Idea to Value

Women in STEM: Reflecting back and looking forward

Charlotte INNO

How creating art can help improve mental health during the pandemic

News Radio KYW

Inside the World of Young Black Sims Content Creators

WIRED

On the Capitalist Internet, Even Celebs Join the Gig Economy

WIRED

NASA Is Offering Up To \$500K To Figure Out How To Provide Astronauts With Fresh Food In Deep Space

Delish

Explore a Digital Collection of Rosa Parks' Papers

Smart News | Smithsonian

Scientists Take Fundamental Measurements of Einsteinium for the First Time

Smart News | Smithsonian

A hundred stars have disappeared—and researchers aren't ruling out aliens

Popular Science

Seven mysterious sounds science has yet to solve

Popular Science

The Information's Jessica Lessin built a newsroom she wanted to work in — and coaches other journalists-turned-founders on doing the same

Nieman Lab

Podcast S5E101: Eric Quint – Scaling creativity and design in large businesses

Idea to Value

'Tapestry' at 50: How Carole King 'bet on herself' to record a singer-songwriter classic

Los Angeles Times

Amy Klobuchar: Breaking up Facebook ‘has to be on the table’

Fast Company

I Talked to the Cassandra of the Internet Age

Opinion | The New York Times

Mellon Distributes \$4 Million to Support More than 360 Dance Artists and Collaborators through Bubble Residencies

The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation

Konnichiwa, Africa: Japanese VCs Flood Continent Dominated by China

Around the World | OZY

Snapchat built a TikTok competitor, and it already has 100 million users

Fast Company

Circles, networks and the trust layer

Seth’s Blog

Can carbon capture make flying more sustainable?

National Geographic

All the World’s a Screen? They’re Used to It

The New York Times

Why binge-watching TV might not replace weekly instalments

The Conversation

Online Platforms Have Become Chaos Machines. Can We Rein Them In?

Harvard Business Review

America’s Creative Economy: The Impact of COVID-19

ARTS Blog | Americans for the Arts

Social Justice, Austerity, and the Humanities Death Spiral

The Chronicle of Higher Education

4 Questions That Will Make You A Better Innovator

The Creativity Post

Disney’s ‘Frozen’ Could Have Just Helped Engineers Crack A 62-Year-Old Cold Case

DesignTAXI.com

The world’s wetlands are slipping away. This vibrant sanctuary underscores the stakes.

National Geographic

Top 10 science anniversaries to celebrate in 2021

Science News

Facebook's Mark Zuckerberg is the last founder-CEO in Big Tech as Bezos steps back
CNBC

U.S. falls out of top 10 in measure of innovation
Marketplace

Clever Ep. 138: Creative Strategist Natalie Nixon
Design Milk

National Endowment for the Arts Supports the Arts with over \$27.5 Million in Awards in First Round of FY2021 Funding
National Endowment for the Arts

2021 SAG Awards: The Complete Nominations List
Variety

New venture will champion inclusivity as Miami's tech scene booms
Bizwomen

Designer, Educator, and Filmmaker Briar Levit on Uncovering Untold Stories From Design History
Eye on Design | AIGA

We use 6.8 billion face masks a day. Researchers want to turn them into roads
Fast Company

Your Master Plan for a Life of Purpose
IDEO U

Government of Canada invests in research and development collaborations in diverse areas from manufacturing to agriculture
NewsWire.ca

The Crayon Initiative helps to enrich lives of sick kids in Mississippi
WDAM

The Secret To Finding Creativity In An Uncreative Job
Business Insider

A Video Game Studio Moves into New Office Built Like a City
Design Milk

Why Language Is the Next Big Frontier in E-Learning
Inc.com

Top 10 most powerful women in tech in the US
Business Chief

Researchers propose a new theory on the future of Lasers

Technicity | Medium

How is CSO paying musicians and shrinking deficits while dark?

Crain's Chicago Business

In the Ozarks, the Pandemic Threatens a Fragile Musical Tradition

The New York Times

These Women Were N.F.L. 'Firsts.' They're Eager for Company.

The New York Times

Vaccine News Gives Hope for Spring, if Enough People Get the Shots

The New York Times

These drones will deliver the COVID-19 vaccine so it stays cold

Fast Company

An update on the #MysteryExperiment

TED Blog

A simple missing word

Seth's Blog

Bringing Stages to Storefronts in a Theater-Hungry City

The New York Times

A robot has some thoughts about the "67 best books to give a woman."

Literary Hub

Dante's descendant seeks to overturn poet's 1302 corruption conviction

The Guardian

How the Brain Responds to Beauty

Cognition | Scientific American

Why Was February Chosen to Celebrate Black History Month?

Mental Floss

Better Living Through Noticing

The Creativity Post

How COVID-19 vaccines may lead to new shots for other deadly viruses

National Geographic

Jeff Bezos is stepping down as Amazon CEO: Read his full letter to staff

Fast Company

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Andy Jassy will face these 3 big challenges as Amazon's CEO

Fast Company

How to build the city of the future, according to Ikea's innovation lab

Fast Company

Sixty Bold Artists Shaping Today

2021 USA Fellows

Cui bono?

Idea to Value

Art, music and PE are wild subjects to teach online. But creative Michigan teachers are making it work

MLive

The Invention of the Ski Chairlift

Innovation | Smithsonian

How Do You Express Yourself Creatively?

Student Opinion | The New York Times

Teaching pupils empathy measurably improves their creative abilities

EurekaAlert! | AAAS

29 Small Technology Companies Win Innovation Grants

North Carolina Department of Commerce

Can Exercise Make You More Creative?

The New York Times

From Gee's Bend Quilters to a Self-Taught Jeweler, How Small Businesses Are Staying Creative

Vogue

NYC artists launch a full-scale creative response to "New York is Dead"

TimeOut

Are the social sciences and humanities positioned to meet key employment skills?

Policy Options

Scientists Find Promising Avenue to Restore Cognitive Function Impaired by Alzheimer's Disease

New York University

NSF Grant Fosters Research Into Participation Of Minority Women In STEM Fields

Corridor News

Xbox Announces Black History Month Initiatives, Aims to Build a More Inclusive Gaming Community

AfroTech

COVID-19 Has Widened the Skills Gap. But It Also Presents an Opportunity to Close It.

EdSurge

Scientists Think a Lab-Grown Uterus Could Help Fight Infertility

Future Human | Medium

Are We Teaching the Math Kids Need?

Edutopia

Using Lessons From Visual Design to Make Better Materials for Students

Edutopia

First look: Amazon's jaw-dropping new HQ2 looks like a glass mountain

Fast Company

The Myth That Gets Men Out of Doing Chores

The Atlantic

Golden Globes 2021: The Complete Nominations List

Variety

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Golden Globes Nominations: 18 Biggest Snubs and Surprises

Variety

Wool, Sneakers and Community: Ballet Class Persists Outdoors

The New York Times

SpaceX's Prototype Mars Rocket Crashes in Test Flight

The New York Times

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Putting the latest Starship crash into perspective—it's "stupidly difficult"

Ars Technica

Do We Ask Too Much of Black Heroes?

The New York Times

Egomania vs. ego strength

Seth's Blog

How the world's largest rhino population dropped by 70 percent—in a decade

National Geographic

Scientists design "quantum brain" to revolutionize computing

inverse.com

Not just speed: 7 incredible things you can do with 5G

CNET

Virtual Classrooms: Hotspots for Dark Creativity

Dark Creativity | Psychology Today

How to help artists and cultural industries recover from the COVID-19 disaster

The Conversation

All Classical Portland initiative aims to diversify choices for classical works

Current

The danger of right-wing mobs is real. Fencing at the U.S. Capitol won't help.

Perspective | The Washington Post

The Capitalist Case for Overhauling Twitter

Intelligencer | New York Magazine

Philanthropic angels rescue some Colorado arts groups, but most still struggle under coronavirus

The Colorado Sun

In Defense of Writing Books That May Never Be Read

Literary Hub

What Can We Learn About Nurturing SEL In and Out of School?

Wallace Blog

Demented Toys by Obvious Plant Confront Harsh Realities and the Mundanity of Life

Colossal

He Wants to Save Classics From Whiteness. Can the Field Survive?

The New York Times

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NewsWire.ca

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How to Generate the Ideas You Need in Your Business and Personal Lives

Imagineer7's Weblog

Vince Lombardi To Play Special Role At Super Bowl Thanks To CGI, AI

Wisconsin Public Radio

What Is the Purpose and Future of Higher Education?

The Creativity Post

This see-through wood could replace glass windows

Fast Company

The Real Rosa Parks Story Is Better Than the Fairy Tale

Opinion | The New York Times

These impossibly detailed origami figures are made of a single piece of paper
Fast Company

More Than Fun and Games: The Brain Science Behind Fidget Toys and Dementia
being patient

"Quantum Brain" Brings New Era of Computing Closer
Technology Networks

Which Matters More for Startup Success?
Explica

The Brain Chemical That Turns on Synaptic Plasticity
Technology Networks

Show Her that Every Girl is A STEM Girl
talkSTEM

A Fleet of Air Taxis Is Coming to Central Florida by 2025
Air & Space | Smithsonian

Oceanic Sharks and Rays Have Declined 70% Since 1970
Smart News | Smithsonian

Journalists are grappling with their relationships to big tech companies. It's time for academics to do the same.
Nieman Lab

I'm Being Censored, And You Can Read, Hear, And See Me Talk About It In The News, On The Radio, And On Tv
McSweeney's Internet Tendency

Survivorship bias
Idea to Value

An AI saw a cropped photo of AOC. It autocompleted her wearing a bikini.
MIT Technology News

The Met Launches New Immersive Virtual Tour Where You Can 'Borrow' Its Art
DesignTAXI.com

Nike's new Flyease Go shoes snap right onto your feet
Fast Company

Jamie Tarses, Executive in a Hollywood Rise-and-Fall Story, Dies at 56
The New York Times

Alzheimer's Prediction May Be Found in Writing Tests
The New York Times

The Webb Telescope, NASA's Golden Surfer, Is Almost Ready, Again
The New York Times

New study: Social media's alleged anti-conservative bias is 'disinformation'
Fast Company

America can vaccinate 60 million more people each month. Here's how
Fast Company

At What Point Does Smart Become Stupid?
Innovation, Change and Digital Transformation

Here's where AI will advance in 2021
VentureBeat

A Chick-fil-A manager revolutionized his town's COVID vaccination waiting times
Upworthy

The Library of Possible Futures
The Atlantic

Superstar Cities Are in Trouble
The Atlantic

Facebook and Apple Are Beefing Over the Future of the Internet
WIRED

How the POTUS who shall not be named inadvertently energized the arts | Column
The Philadelphia Inquirer

When Minnesotans couldn't go to the museum, museums came to us
Minneapolis Star-Tribune

Find Original Poetry Hiding in the Pages of Your Paper
The New York Times

Hundreds of Holocaust Testimonies Translated, Digitized for the First Time
Smart News | Smithsonian

Our gut-brain connection
MIT News

How COVID-19 exposed Canada's innovation weak spot
CBC News

'A beautiful constraint': Winnipegger hung up on haiku, has written 1 per day for nearly a year
CBC News

Scrutiny of Chinese researchers threatens innovation
University World News

Elon Musk Says He Wired Up a Monkey's Brain to Play Video Games

Bloomberg

University of Tampa freshman heads to 'Shark Tank'

Bizwomen

UNESCO's "Futures of Education: Learning to Become"

Observatory of Educational Innovation | Tecnológico de Monterrey

Meet BU's Newest AAAS Fellows

The Brink | Boston University

Learn How to Use the Best Ideation Methods: Challenge Assumptions

Interaction Design Foundation

Tim Cook on Why It's Time to Fight the "Data-Industrial Complex"

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Walgreens CEO Roz Brewer Is the Only Black Woman Leading a Fortune 500 Company

Glamour

8 virtual field trips for STEM engagement

eSchool News

Why Quantity Should Be Your Priority (Redux)

Herbert Lui | Medium

How Mind Mapping Boosts Your Creativity

Innovation Management

Trombone Shorty on His New Album and the Future of New Orleans

Vanity Fair

What Do Lars Ulrich and A.O. Scott Have in Common? A Lot, It Turns Out

The New York Times

A Handbook for Artists Facing Persecution

Hyperallergic

How much is too much? Crypto art market brings together deep pockets and big artists

CoinTelegraph

Arts Integrated Teacher Education Benefits Elementary Students and Teachers Alike

Ed Note | Education Commission of the States

Millions of toothbrushes go into landfills each year. Colgate is trying to make a dent in that

Fast Company

This free online class will teach anyone how to solve societal problems

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How white supremacists recruit teen culture warriors in gaming communities

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Does In-Person Schooling Contribute to COVID-19 Spread?

American Scientist

2020's Most Popular Articles

The Editors | American Scientist

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Urban lessons from the pandemic

URBACT

Strategy and tactics and Powerpoint

Seth's Blog

This single number could reshape our climate future

National Geographic

3 Essential Steps to Exploit the Full Power of AI

InformationWeek

Yul Kwon: "Don't Try to Change Yourself All at Once." (People I (Mostly) Admire, Ep. 13)

Freakonomics

How to Be Creative

Freakonomics

Aging Well

Enhance Your Vintage Years | Psychology Today

The Science of Reasoning With Unreasonable People

The New York Times

Commentary: Why it's time to revive Leonard Bernstein's long-dismissed, race-conscious White House musical

Los Angeles Times

A Path for Arts and Gig Workers in California: A new report

Grantmakers in the Arts

**Beatriz Barba, the first woman to graduate as an archaeologist in Mexico, dies –
Las Noticias de Chihuahua – Entrelíneas**

Explica

Restoring Function To KNDy Neurons In Brain Could Reverse Infertility

Forbes

Richard Feynman on the Differences between Mathematics and Physics

Cantors Paradise | Medium

Physicists Are Reinventing the Laser

Gizmodo

**This Is Not a Sci-Fi Movie: This Guy Makes 3D-Printed Hyper-Realistic Masks
Using Real Faces**

Gizmodo

This Next-Gen Artificial Heart Is Set to Go on Sale This Year

Gizmodo

Why did education leaders trash a school full of music, dance and art?

The Washington Post

7 trends designers should know for 2021

Inside Design

**The Boy Whose Head Was Filled with Stars: The Inspiring Illustrated Story of How
Edwin Hubble Revolutionized Our Understanding of the Universe**

Brain Pickings

Stop Calling Everyone a Tech Bro

WIRED

What the Arab Spring Can Teach Us About GameStop

WIRED

A New Way to Restore Hand Mobility—With an Electrified Patch

WIRED

Facebook and Apple Are Beefing Over the Future of the Internet

WIRED

The stuff in the margins

Seth's Blog

Sun Records, Storied Early Rock Label, Sells Its High-Wattage Catalog

The New York Times

Everything's a Joke Until It's Not

The New York Times

Paris, Shattered, Must Be Imagined

The New York Times

NBCUniversal vows auditions for actors with disabilities

Madison.com, AP

91 movies and TV shows to stream for Black History Month

Fast Company

There could be lasting consequences from scientists pausing their research to focus on COVID-19

Fast Company

Executive Order on the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology

SpaceRef

For real progress, fund the humanities

Op-Ed | The Daily Californian

Restore the research funding balance to keep innovation going

University Affairs

RNA "Google Map" of the Brain Achieves Nanoscale Resolution

Proteomics and Metabolomics | Technology Networks

Analysis of Coders' Brain Reveals Different Programming

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Need a brain break? Insert Improv, release creativity

School News Network

New Jersey Hills signs letter of intent to convert to non-profit status

The Bernardsville News

Video games deserve better than blanket, parachute coverage from reporters who don't get it

Launcher | The Washington Post

From the 'Sidedoor' Podcast: How a Woman-Led Record Label Spread Songs of Protest and Revolution

Smithsonian

Supersonic Car Designed to Break Land Speed Record Is for Sale Again

Smart News | Smithsonian

Belief and knowledge

Seth's Blog

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Ideas.TED.com

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DesignTAXI.com

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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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