



National Creativity Network

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

May 30, 2025

QUOTE(S) OF THE WEEK

"Everything that is new or uncommon raises a pleasure in the imagination, because it fills the soul with an agreeable surprise, gratifies its curiosity, and gives it an idea of which it was not before possessed." – Joseph Addison

"Art is not science. Even when art is about science, it is still art. There cannot be consensus, in the sense that science strives for meaningful consensus. And unlike science, art is not progressive. Personally, I have my doubts that science can be said to be genuinely progressive, but I'm pretty dammed certain that art is not. Which is not to say that it is not accumulative or accretionary. But the belief that sf writers are out there forecasting the future, that they have some social responsibility to do so, that's malarky, if you ask me." – Caitlín R. Kiernan

"Transport of the mails, transport of the human voice, transport of flickering pictures — in this century, as in others, our highest accomplishments still have the single aim of bringing men together." – Antoine de Saint-Exupery

"The time has come when scientific truth must cease to be the property of the few, when it must be woven into the common life of the world." – Louis Agassiz

"A theory is only as good as its assumptions. If the premises are false, the theory has no real scientific value. The only scientific criterion for judging the validity of a scientific theory is a confrontation with the data of experience." – Maurice Allais

"Science is fun. Science is curiosity. We all have natural curiosity. Science is a process of investigating. It's posing questions and coming up with a method. It's delving in." – Sally Ride

"Human beings, who are almost unique in having the ability to learn from the experience of others, are also remarkable for their apparent disinclination to do so." – Douglas Adams

"There is nothing so pitiful as a young cynic because he has gone from knowing nothing to believing nothing." – Maya Angelou

VIDEO(S) OF THE WEEK

LIGHT SHINES IN THE DARKNESS | Short Film

Travis Agnew

"The "making of" journey through grief on the road to healing. A healing art and music project in response to the tragic shooting at Abundant Life Christian School in Madison Wisconsin on December 16th, 2024"

Welcome to the Neuroarts Resource Center

Neuroarts Resource Center

The beauty of what we'll never know | Pico Iyer

TEDSummit 2016

Celebrating Excellence: Dr. Beverly Gor Honored for Contributions to Health Education and Advocacy for Underserved Communities

AARP

Rolling in creativity: 4-year-old's letter to Madison mayor inspires city's first art trucks

NBC 15 | WMTV

The "adjacent possible" — and how it explains human innovation | Stuart Kauffman

TED2023

Paper Sculptures Encounter Otherworldly Happenings in This Uncanny Animated Short Film

Colossal

Civic Actor Studio uses theater techniques to help leaders open up to new opportunities

CBS Chicago

FEATURED EVENTS/OPPORTUNITIES

10th World Summit on Arts & Culture

International Federation of Arts Councils and Culture Agencies (IFACCA)

Through May 30 | Seoul, South Korea

wild kratts: ocean adventure!

National Childrens Museum

Through September 7

The State of the Science Address 2025

National Academy of Sciences

June 3

2025 Science Events Summit

Science Events

June 8 - 10 | Philadelphia, PA

The Power of Music in Healthcare: Creative Considerations for Music Professionals

Johns Hopkins Peabody Preparatory

June 9 - 13

Apply Now! Velocity Business Accelerator

Center for Creative Economy

Deadline: June 10

Empowering Future Innovators: Assessing Student STEM Engagement Today with Encourage

STEMconnector

June 12

Explore Design Practice and Pedagogy

2025 AIGA Design Educators Conference | Normal, Illinois

June 12–13

RFP 24-005: Creative Economy Regional Engagement Partners

California Arts Council, Cal eProcure

Deadline: June 13

RFP 24-006: Creative Economy Strategic Communications Partner

California Arts Council, Cal eProcure

Deadline: June 13

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

Toronto International Society of Innovation & Advanced Skills (TISIAS)

Registration Deadline: June 15

NEW “Sally’s Night” at Smithsonian’s National Air and Space Museum Will Celebrate Women in STEM

Smithsonian

June 21

2025 Creative Problem Solving Institute (CPSI)

Creative Education Foundation

June 22 - 26 | Buffalo, NY

2025 National Arts Integration and STEAM Conference

Creativity Rising

July 8 – 9, 2025 | Baltimore, MD

NEH Announces New Grant Program for Cultural Organizations on the People, Events, and Legacy of 1776

National Endowment for the Humanities

Deadline: July 9

2025 Summit Features Inspiring Keynotes, Deep-Dive Sessions and Hands-On Workshops for Educators

Smithsonian Voices | Smithsonian Education

July 15 – 17

National Air and Space Museum to reveal more renovated galleries on July 28

Space.com

July 28

ArtPrize 2025 to Ignite Grand Rapids with 16 Days of Art & Creativity

KARK

September 18 - October 4

Imagine. Create. Activate! | Chicago 2025

Creative Placemaking Communities

September 22 - 24 | Chicago, IL

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

Apply to attend TED2026 | All of Us

TED Conferences

April 13 - 17

CreativeMornings | a monthly breakfast lecture series

CreativeMornings

Various

Nesta Talks to...

Nesta

Various

Interactive Map | Science Festivals

Science Festival Alliance

Various

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

Do we see colour the same way? What scientists can learn from artists

The Conversation

You Already Have Too Many Ideas

Human-Centered Change and Innovation

Robert Jarvik, 79, Dies; a Designer of the First Permanent Artificial Heart

The New York Times

How the brain turns an experience into an emotion

Short Wave | All Things Considered | NPR

Is the world losing scientific innovation?

The Week

Creativity, technology, and the future of artistic expression

The Reynolds Center for Business Journalism

Tech:NYC founder says city is in a 'golden era' of innovation — and Covid is partly to thank

New York Post

Learning occurs quicker than thought, according to brain imaging

NSF | National Science Foundation

Fuel for Thought: A New Mechanism to Fund Canadian Innovation

ITIF | Information Technology and Innovation Foundation

Trump's Crackdown on Foreign Student Visas Could Derail Critical AI Research

WIRED

The Radical Development of an Entirely New Painkiller

The New Yorker

Black And Latine Entrepreneurs Made More Durable Gains In 2024

POCIT (People of Color in Tech)

Taylor Swift Shocker: Singer Buys Back Her First Six Albums — Even as 'Reputation (Taylor's Version)' Is Still on the Way

Variety

The Doomers Quest for Meaning

gapingvoid

Keeping the Wolf From My Door | Martha Coston and Maritime Signal Flares

Learning & Teaching Creativity | Dan Hunter

Library programming to advance the sustainable development goals

American Library Association

Scientists Say They've Found a Dwarf Planet Very Far From the Sun

The New York Times

Harvard Wins Initial Court Fight to Keep Its International Students

The New York Times

'The Rookie' Creator Alexi Hawley on How and Why Broadcast TV Is Attracting a Younger Audience, Now More Than Ever

Variety

The 'Eco-Right' Is Growing. Will Bipartisanship Follow?

The Commons | Philanthropy Today | The Chronicle of Philanthropy

15,000 Churches Will Close This Year. Each Could Be a Home for Civic Revival

The Commons | Philanthropy Today | The Chronicle of Philanthropy

California Arts Council Announces Launch of 2025 Cultural Districts Grant Program

California Arts Council

As the Scripps bee turns 100, a new champion is crowned while past winners reflect

NPR

Paying attention to attention

Seth's Blog

It's not just kissing swans anymore. Towel art has risen to a whole new level.

Travel | National Geographic

These real-world destinations inspired the most popular video games

Travel | National Geographic

Who was Sacagawea? Here's the real story of her critical role in U.S. exploration

History & Culture | National Geographic

“Fault-Finder Is a Minimum-Wage Job”

Freakonomics Radio

Termination notices expected to go out to all remaining Voice of America employees this week

Politico

Damien Hirst Says He Will Keep Making Artworks 200 Years After He Dies

Artnet News

The light beyond sight - Only a tiny sliver of the Universe’s light can be seen by human eyes. But today we’re catching glimpses of the invisible

Aeon Essays

'A systemic loss': San Diego dance groups scramble after federal grants revoked mid-year

KPBS

Development of New, ‘Rice Noodle-Like’ Glue for Historical Paintings Puts Art Conservators’ Fears to Rest

ARTnews

A Smiling Public Man

Salmagundi

What Hot Dragon-Riders and Fornicating Faeries Say About What Women Want Now

The Wall Street Journal

Kyle Seibel’s debut short story collection, ‘Hey You A–holes,’ explores the lives of society’s misfits

Beta | Wisconsin Public Radio

New book argues Midwestern farms were key to America’s rise to power

Wisconsin Today | Wisconsin Public Radio

How Arts Learning Connects Youth to Community and Culture

The Wallace Foundation

Beethoven's 'true face' emerges in 3D revival 200 years after his death

DesignTAXI

Can doctors test embryos for autism? And should they?

It’s Been A Minute | NPR

Broadway’s 2024-2025 Season Was Highest Grossing on Record

The Hollywood Reporter

The 3 Pillars of the Creative Mindset

Think Bigger | Psychology Today

Why Good Ideas Die Quietly and Bad Ideas Go Viral

The New Yorker

Apple is falling behind its Magnificent 7 rivals. Should it just be the Mag 6?

Quartz

How Women-Led Philanthropy Is Driving Transformative Change

Forbes

Georgia Tech Relaunches The Biltmore as Strategic Hub for Entrepreneurship in Tech Square

Georgia Tech News Center

Episode 1028 | Does the Tech Industry Need a Reboot?

HBR IdeaCast

Cultivating Curiosity and Creativity

Dayton Engineer | University of Dayton

'The Anatomy of Her Healing' exhibition spotlights women's resilience, creativity, and transformation

Virginia Tech News

Bridging Borders: UC San Diego and ITJ Forge a Binational Innovation Hub in Tijuana

UC San Diego Today

Neuroscientists discover specific brain cells that enable intelligent behavior

PsyPost

Rationale engineering generates a compact new tool for gene therapy

MIT News

The Plan to Send Plant-Filled 'Gardens' Into Orbit

WIRED

Scientists develop gene delivery 'trucks' that could treat brain diseases

The Washington Post

Should Scientists Inject Saturn's Moon Enceladus With Life?

Science & Nature | Smithsonian Magazine

Scientists Use DNA to Trace Early Humans' Footsteps From Asia to South America

Smart News | Smithsonian Magazine

Forget 'digital dementia'—tech use may help keep older brains sharp

Fast Company

U.S. Will 'Aggressively' Revoke Visas of Chinese Students, Rubio Says

The New York Times

Also

Here's how much international students contribute to the U.S. economy

The Washington Post

New fuel cell could enable electric aviation

MIT News

Chinese students in the crosshairs as Trump administration threatens to revoke visas: Here's what we know

Fast Company

Nike and Lego made a kids' sneaker together

Design | Fast Company

Pinterest just signed its first sports deal ever with the New York Liberty

Design | Fast Company

No, Gen Z isn't like 'every other generation.' And that's a good thing

Work Life | Fast Company

We don't need to defund education

Impact Council | Fast Company

Two chefs come together for a good cause

UNESCO

Hallucinations and human work

Seth's Blog

Winners revealed: National Geographic Traveller (UK) Photography Competition 2025

National Geographic

The world's plastic pollution crisis, explained

Environment | National Geographic

The Drowsy Genius: Dreams and Liminal States

The Leading Edge | Psychology Today

Spark Your Creativity With a Nap

Creative Insights | Psychology Today

The Power of Dance and Its Benefits for Mind and Body

Science of Choice | Psychology Today

Casualties in Trump's war on the arts: the small museums keeping local history alive

The Guardian

Cartoon Network changed animation forever – Warner Bros shouldn't let it die
The Conversation

What Are Schools For?
Asterisk Magazine

Why Silicon Valley's Most Powerful People Are So Obsessed With Hobbits
The New York Times

A cure for individualism
Aeon Essays

The 'Handmaid's Tale' Uncensored Oral History of a Revolution
The Hollywood Reporter

Appeals Court Reverses Ruling in Texas Book Ban Case
Publishers Weekly

When a Community Shares Its Stories with a Photographer
Arts Midwest

'What Art Does' Review: Brian Eno's Mind at Play - The influential musician and producer ponders the nature of human creativity.
The Wall Street Journal

Creativity Is a Choice, Not a Trait
Creativity: The Art and Science | Psychology Today

The news is under more pressure than ever - Here's how to design for it.
IDEO Journal

The Unparalleled Daily Miracle of Tap Water
The New York Times Magazine

American Endowment for Art, Culture, and Creativity | Alan Brown
On Our Minds | WolfBrown

Mediocrity is Infectious
gapingvoid

Canadian Innovation Week 2025 Celebrates Innovation to Action with National Ceremonies, Partner Events, and Stories That Inspire
Newswire.ca

Through May 30

Also
'Innovation to Action': What to expect from Canadian Innovation Week 2025
Innovation News Network
Through May 30

How scientists are fabricating brain-like living tissue from structure to intelligence
EurekAlert! | AAAS

The four types of imagination and how they create our worlds
New Scientist

The extremes of imagination reveal how our brains perceive reality
New Scientist

Overlooked cells might explain the human brain's huge storage capacity
MIT News

California Is Doubling Its Film Incentive, But It May Be Too Late to Stop Runaway Production
Variety

RFK Jr. says he may bar scientists from publishing in top medical journals
The Washington Post

State Department Halts Foreign Student Visa Interviews
Diverse Issues in Higher Education

Wisconsin man first to benefit from newly approved cancer drug
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

Fantasy and romance writers address AI controversies after readers discover prompts in published books
Tech | Fast Company

AI is here—can we finally rethink our tired beliefs about work?
Fast Company Executive Board

This strange Swiss tower takes 3D printing to new heights
Design | Fast Company

5 unexpected benefits of procrastination
Secrets of Most Productive People | Fast Company

Lego's first book nook is an addictively interactive diorama
Design | Fast Company

How to inspire future generations of innovators
Fast Company

Why tacos are as 'American' as apple pie
Code Switch | NPR

The Scripps National Spelling Bee celebrates its 100th anniversary this week
Morning Edition | NPR

Debrief 10(4): Connecting Creativity to Passion, Purpose, and Biomimicry
Fueling Creativity in Education Podcast

Innovation, Leadership and Productive Conflict
Human-Centered Change and Innovation

Just the right length
Seth's Blog

How did this shark swim a record-breaking 4,000 miles—a journey once thought impossible
Animals | National Geographic

Contributor: Art for art's sake, or the president's?
Yahoo! News | Los Angeles Times

Opinion | The Man of the Moment Is 3,000 Years Old
Guest Essay | The New York Times

Secrets in the Stacks
Public Books

Amarie Gipson On The Reading Room, Houston's Black Art and Culture Library
Colossal

Rutger Bregman Wants to Save Elites From Their Wasted Lives
The Interview | The New York Times

Against Life Extension - An argument in favor of death, disease, and mortality
Persuasion

Blockchain in Museums for Art Ownership
Arts Management & Technology Laboratory

How circularity can make the built environment more sustainable
McKinsey & Company

NPR sues the Trump administration, a wolf not in sheep's clothing
Nieman Lab

Also
Trump Threatens NPR and PBS
The Atlantic

Billy Joel Announces Brain Disorder and Cancels All Concerts
The New York Times

Pee-wee's Legacy: A Network of Ambitious Weirdos
The New York Times

Trump Intends to Cancel All Federal Funds Directed at Harvard

The New York Times

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Universities See Trump's Harvard Move as a Threat to Them, Too

The New York Times

These Founding Fathers Were Frenemies. Maybe We Can Learn Something.

The New York Times

Are We Overlooking the Genius of Neurodivergent Minds?

"If I Be Waspish" | Psychology Today

Has GenAI Taken the Fun Out of Creative Work?

The Pursuit of Fun | Psychology Today

The SKR Archive: Early Beginnings

Sir Ken Robinson Foundation

5 Rules for Living a More Creative Life

Book of the Day from The Next Big Idea Club

Ep. 224: Charlotte McCurdy is Charting the Path to a Very Desirable Bio-Based Future

Clever Podcast

Why "high tolerance of ambiguity" should anchor your creative toolkit

Big Think

Fernanda Canales creates community centre next to Mexico City prison

Dezeen

New Neuroscience Shows Why It's So Important to Read Aloud to Your Kids

Inc.com

Surprise Link Between Menthol And Alzheimer's Found in Mice

ScienceAlert

The Neuroscience of Choice: Train Your Brain to Accomplish What Matters Most

Book of the Day from The Next Big Idea Club

The age of AI layoffs is already here. The reckoning is just beginning

Quartz

3D Is Back. This Time, You Can Ditch the Glasses

WIRED

Freedom of the Press Foundation Threatens Legal Action if Paramount Settles With Trump Over 60 Minutes Interview

WIRED

Doing things differently

Opinion | Chemistry World

Can you upload a human mind into a computer? A neuroscientist ponders what's possible

Curious Kids | The Conversation

Ripon College graduation celebrates 'Discovery Has No Limits: Celebrating Women in STEM'

Ripon Commonwealth Press

Federal Judge Blocks Trump's Executive Order to Close Education Department

Diverse Issues in Higher Education

California Film Credit Expansion in Flux as Lawmakers Delete References to \$750 Million

Variety

Chipped China - Or the Myth of the Socialite Turned Inventor

Learning & Teaching Creativity | Dan Hunter

Why some towns lose local news – and others don't

The Conversation

Trump's Tariffs and Tax Bill May Derail U.S. Battery Industry

The New York Times

50 Years After Saigon's Fall, 'the Wall' Reflects and Collects a Nation's Trauma

The New York Times

American Music Awards Winners 2025: Billie Eilish Sweeps in All Seven Nominated Categories, Beyoncé and Eminem Take Home Two Apiece

Variety

Les Dilley, Oscar-Winning Production Designer Who Worked on 'Star Wars' and 'Raiders of the Lost Ark', Dies at 84

Variety

Rufus Harley: The story of the world's first jazz bagpipe player

Far Out Magazine, UK

EO Impacts and the Next Era of Museum Funding: Part One

Center for the Future of Museums Blog | American Alliance of Museums

Penguin poop may help preserve Antarctic climate

Ars Technica

Google's second swing at smart glasses seems a lot more sensible

Tech | Fast Company

Interns designed Coca-Cola's new Sprite + Tea flavor

Fast Company

Trump threatens to redirect \$3 billion in Harvard research grants to trade schools

News | Fast Company

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Trump Suggests Giving Trade Schools Money Taken From Harvard

The New York Times

Polaroid's tumblr-core MoMA collab turns your photos into works of art

Design | Fast Company

In tiny rural towns, young entrepreneurs are using food to revitalize communities

Impact | Fast Company

A firefighter-invented hydrant for helicopters is boosting response times for urban fires

Impact | Fast Company

In the tariff era, circularity is the new competitive edge

IDEO Journal

Questlove's Sly Stone documentary confronts the 'burden of Black genius'

Fresh Air | NPR

Should We Stop Asking Employees to Innovate?

Human-Centered Change and Innovation

The 1:1 method

Seth's Blog

See Sally Ride's boundary-breaking life in photos

History & Culture | National Geographic

5 memoirs that helped shape my own

Gates Notes

Pearls

The Economics of Everyday Things | Freakonomics

Why Did Rome Fall — and Are We Next?

People I (Mostly) Admire | Freakonomics

OpenAI acquires Jony Ive's startup for \$6.5 billion to build devices that ditch the screen

DesignTAXI

Don Felder and the Spirit Inside the Eggshell

Brick by Brick | Psychology Today

Inside the Collector's Brain: How Creativity Drives Desire

The Mind of a Collector | Psychology Today

Sacred Starts: How You Begin Your Creative Session Matters

The Naked Creative | Psychology Today

At Its Beginnings, Only a Handful of People Spoke This Language. It's the Origin of Every Word You Say.

MSN, Slate

Why our flawed, flexible memories come with social benefits

Psyche

Hit by Federal Grant Losses, NYC Culture Orgs Ask for More City Funding

Hyperallergic

Chicago newspaper prints a summer reading list. The problem? The books don't exist

CBC News

Tom Hanks Will Co-Write, Star in World Premiere Play This World of Tomorrow at Off-Broadway's The Shed

Playbill

New York Sales Miss the Mark as Top Works and Young Artists Fall to Lower Levels

ARTnews

Who George Floyd was — and how systemic racism shaped his life

Hyfin, NPR

An Exhibition Celebrates the Self-Taught Immigrant Artists Shaping Chicago

Colossal

Museums and their Discontents

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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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