

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

June 13, 2025

QUOTE(S) OF THE WEEK

"Anytime you see a turtle up on top of a fence post, you know he had some help." – Unknown

"I spend most of my days pacing around, muttering that I have no ideas, feeling like I'm walking a plank." – Aaron Sorkin

"We are drowning in information, while starving for wisdom. The world henceforth will be run by synthesizers, people able to put together the right information at the right time, think critically about it, and make important choices wisely." – E. O. Wilson

"The sea, the great unifier, is man's only hope. Now, as never before, the old phrase has a literal meaning: we are all in the same boat." – Jacques Yves Cousteau

"If I have a thousand ideas and only one turns out to be good, I am satisfied." – Alfred Nobel

"One of the nicest things about mathematics, or anything else you might care to learn, is that many of the things which can never be, often are. You see it's very much like your trying to reach Infinity. You know that it's there, but you just don't know where --- but just because you can never reach it doesn't mean that it's not worth looking for." – Norton Juster

"We may find illustrations of the highest doctrines of science in games and gymnastics, in travelling by land and by water, in storms of the air and of the sea, and wherever there is matter in motion." – James Clerk Maxwell

"There is no problem in science that can be solved by a man that cannot be solved by a woman." – Vera Rubin

VIDEO(S) OF THE WEEK

Cool Physics Feat Makes a Sphere Roll Down a Vertical Wall

Physics & Chemistry | Gizmodo

Migration in UK Creative Occupations and Industries

Creative Industries Policy and Evidence Centre

Also

Full Report: Migration in UK Creative Occupations and Industries

Creative Industries Policy and Evidence Centre

Policy Brief: Migration in UK Creative Occupations and Industries

Creative Industries Policy and Evidence Centre

Saoirse Ronan Stars in a Quirky 50th Anniversary Music Video for Talking Heads' 'Psycho Killer'

Colossal

The trick to regaining your childlike wonder | Zach King

TEDMonterey

My year reading a book from every country in the world | Ann Morgan TEDGlobal

Kate Hudson and Kathryn Hahn — Actors on Actors (Full Conversation)

Variety

Laura Boráros Dances Between Dreams and Reality in a Surreal Short Film Colossal

FEATURED EVENTS/OPPORTUNITIES

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

Johns Hopkins Peabody Preparatory

Through June 13

Explore Design Practice and Pedagogy

2025 AIGA Design Educators Conference | Normal, Illinois

Through June 13

wild kratts: ocean adventure! National Childrens Museum Through September 7

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 Redefining STEMM Professionals: Insights from the 'Science at Work' Report *AAAS*

June 17 | Webinar

NEW IDEA JAM | Creativity and Therapeutic Arts: How the Arts Support Social and Emotional Learning

Canadian Network for Imagination and Creativity

June 19

"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

ENCATC Congress 2025

ENCATC

September 15 – 17 | Barcelona, Spain

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 Al

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

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American Science's Culture Has Contributed to the Grave Threat It Now Faces | Brad Schwartz, MD

RealClear Science

Writers, Abandon Literary Prizes

Persuasion

Timbaland's New Artist Is An Al-Generated Asian Woman

People of Color in Tech (POCIT)

Real-time translation is a business product breakthrough

Impact Council | Fast Company

The Al fluency gap is growing. Are you keeping up?

Impact Council | Fast Company

House approves DOGE-backed spending cuts to NPR, PBS, and foreign aid

Fast Company

It's the Workarounds, Stupid

Gapingvoid

Brian Wilson and Sly Stone: Pop World Builders Dogged by Darkness

The New York Times

Each Person Has a Unique 'Breath Print,' Scientists Find

Trilobites | The New York Times

The 'Sultan of Sequins' Gets Another Look

The New York Times

'Look, This Show's Good. It's Essentially Moral.'

Yahoo! News, The Atlantic

Also

The Simpsons' Declaration of Independence

Yahoo! Entertainment, Slate

Your left and right brain hear language differently – a neuroscientist explains how

The Conversation

Rural Republicans used to back NPR. Then MAGA changed everything.

The Washington Post

Getty Images and Stability AI face off in British copyright trial that will test AI

industry

AP News

Meet The 9 Black CEOs Leading A Fortune 500 Company

People of Color in Tech (POCIT)

Blue Origin Delays New Glenn Again—and It's a Bigger Setback Than It Seems Space and Spaceflight | Gizmodo

Canada Council for the Arts | The Arts Can Shape the Future of Canada International Federation of Arts Councils and Culture Agencies (IFACCA)

Breaking down silos with human-centered design IDEO Journal

Brian Wilson, Beach Boys Co-Founder, Dies at 82 *Variety*

Also

Brian Wilson, Pop Auteur and Leader of the Beach Boys, Dies at 82 The New York Times

Brian Wilson's 20 Greatest Songs *Variety*

15 Fascinating Facts About 'Pet Sounds' Mental Floss

How the brain solves complicated problems *MIT News*

6 Tell-Tale Signs Humanity Is Primed For Another Renaissance *Forbes*

The magnificent ties between maths and art *Prospect, UK*

Creativity Is Not a Luxury

Finding the Right Words | Psychology Today

Why Be a Non-Conventionalist?

Rationality, Judgement, and Decision Making | Psychology Today

House approves DOGE-backed spending cuts to NPR, PBS, and foreign aid Fast Company

'Cruelty is the point': House Republicans will vote to cut funding for NPR and PBS Impact | Fast Company

Since when were NFL rookies so good at painting? Design | Fast Company

Why your next bottle of shampoo might come in a soda can Impact | Fast Company

How tariffs are forcing small businesses to sacrifice innovation Fast Company

After firing entire CDC vaccine committee, RFK Jr. appoints 8 new members including_vaccine skeptics: Who they are and what to know Fast Company

"What is Al doing to us?"

IDEO Journal

Telling the story of humanity's origins in Africa—this time, for kids History & Culture | National Geographic

Georgia Tech's next innovation district more 'creative' than first two The Atlantic Journal-Constitution

How the brain separates real images from those it imagines *Nature*

'Creativity is a superpower that every child has': Storyteller Matt Phelan on nurturing imagination

Texas Standard

Black Imagination as Strategy: Reclaiming Creativity in Nonprofit Leadership Nonprofit Quarterly

Creativity & Confidence | Elementary art camp students display creations *Journal Review*

How Much Energy Does It Take To Think?

Quanta Magazine

Disney and Universal Sue A.I. Firm for Copyright Infringement *The New York Times*

Also

RIAA Thanks Disney & Universal for Jumping Into Al Copyright War: 'Critical Stand for Human Creativity'

Billboard

In first-of-its-kind lawsuit, Hollywood giants sue Al firm for copyright infringement

Culture | NPR

Hollywood Has Left Los Angeles

Vulture | New Yorker Magazine

Meta Is Creating a New A.I. Lab to Pursue 'Superintelligence' The New York Times

The Best Songs of 2025, So Far

The New York Times

F.D.A. to Use A.I. in Drug Approvals to 'Radically Increase Efficiency' The New York Times

Barbara Holdridge, Whose Record Label Foretold Audiobooks, Dies at 95 The New York Times

Niede Guidon, 92, Archaeologist Who Preserved Prehistoric Rock Art, Dies The New York Times

ASEAN Creative Economy Sustainability Framework

International Federation of Arts Councils and Culture Agencies (IFACCA)

First-Ever Images of Sun's South Pole Released by European Mission The New York Times

This Elusive Antarctic Squid Was Seen for the First Time The New York Times

How Steve Jobs Wrote the Greatest Commencement Speech Ever *WIRED*

In photographs, scientists revel in the world they seek to discover Nature | NPR

Kyiv: UNESCO is deeply concerned about threats to World Heritage in Ukraine's capital UNESCO

Ecosystems come and go

Seth's Blog

Grand Opening for Smithsonian Spark! Places of Innovation Exhibition at Camp Verde Community Library

Sedona.biz

How the Old Masters painted animals: dragonfly wings and butterfly dust *Animals | National Geographic*

Protests and curfew cancel L.A. Phil and 'Hamlet' as arts groups' losses mount Los Angeles Times

35% Isn't Good Enough. Let's Get More Girls Into STEM Lifewire Tech for Humans

'The Fans Are More Intense Than Ever': Matt Groening, David Silverman and Matt Selman on 'The Simpsons' Enduring Appeal Variety

Researchers help college students understand why mathematics classes matter *Phys.org* When do girls fall behind in maths? Gigantic study pinpoints the moment *Nature*

How Big Questions Can Spark Science Learning

Boston University Wheelock College of Education & Human Development

What the Snowshoe Hare Teaches Us About Integrated Science Units Science | Edutopia

Meet Martha Swope, the Legendary Broadway Photographer Who Captured Iconic Moments From Hundreds of Productions and Rehearsals

Arts & Culture | Smithsonian Magazine

RIP to These NASA X Accounts, as U.S. Science Falls Off a Cliff Gizmodo

SAG-AFTRA Ends Video Game Actors Strike *Variety*

Also

Performers and video game companies reach deal that ends nearly year-long strike

Gaming | NPR

Tim Cook Reveals Apple's Vision for Movies and TV: Why Spending Millions on Blockbusters Like 'F1' Is About More Than Selling iPhones Variety

Disney, Universal File First Major Studio Lawsuit Against Al Company, Sue Midjourney for Copyright Infringement: 'This Is Theft' Variety

15 Ways Mathematics Is Used to Solve Real-World Problems
Discover Wild Science

Black Tech Saturdays Receives \$1M To Expand Tech Workshops In Detroit People of Color in Tech (POCIT)

Ingredients for brilliance - An immersive 'flow state' isn't only accessible to great artists and athletes. You can find your flow too. Here's how Aeon Essays

Arts programs help kids learn. A researcher dug into the 'how' at one Philadelphia school

The Pulse | WHYY

Louisiana Tech merges art and science in creative, practical ways with new bachelor's degree

KNOE

How high-performance human resource practices foster employee creativity: evidence from R&D technicians

Humanities and Social Sciences Communications | Nature

On the importance of reading (just not too much)

The Transmitter

Researchers map connections between the brain's structure and function Cornell Chronicle | Cornell University

These glowing axolotls may hold the secret to human limb regeneration The Washington Post

The Forgotten Inventor of the Sitcom

American Chronicles | The New Yorker

Rice University To Launch Bachelor of Science in Al in Fall 2025 The Way Ahead

Bridging the Gap: How University-Industry Partnerships Are Reshaping STEM Education

Insight Into Academia

The surprise Pulitzer that saved Bloomberg CityLab

Talking Biz News

Students from India and China Rethink Studying in the U.S. : State of the World from NPR $\,$

NPR

500,000 New Filmmakers Nobody Will Watch

Gapingvoid

Kennedy Removes All C.D.C. Vaccine Panel Experts

The New York Times

Warner Bros. Discovery to Split Into Two Companies

The New York Times

YouTube Loosens Rules Guiding the Moderation of Videos

The New York Times

NASA Spacecraft Orbiting Mars Captures Image of Giant Ancient Volcano Just Before Dawn

Smart News | Smithsonian Magazine

New Quarter Honors Vera Rubin, Astronomer Who Revealed the Universe's Hidden Mass

Smithsonian Voices | Smithsonian American Women's History Museum

Also

Vera Rubin was the GOAT of dark matter

History | National Geographic

The 15 Best Small Towns to Visit in 2025

Travel | Smithsonian Magazine

Give Yourself a Gift - try a micro-moment of creativity... | Anne Basting Little Caregiver Repair Shop

Fast Company's World Changing Ideas 2025

Fast Company

Also

Behind the scenes of World Changing Ideas 2025

World Changing Ideas 2025 | Fast Company

Why Costco CEO Ron Vachris is Fast Company's Visionary of the Year World Changing Ideas 2025 | Fast Company

This tech is using Al to eliminate counterfeit prescription drugs World Changing Ideas 2025 | Fast Company

How a cement company is making the sidewalks of Lima, Peru, more accessible

World Changing Ideas 2025 | Fast Company

This pediatrician developed cafeteria dishware that won't leach hormonedisrupters into schoolkids

World Changing Ideas 2025 | Fast Company

The light in this lamp is powered by dirt

World Changing Ideas 2025 | Fast Company

This system turns cow manure into fertilizer before it can decompose into greenhouse gas

World Changing Ideas 2025 | Fast Company

L.A. is rolling out 3,000 bus shelters to help protect riders from extreme heat

World Changing Ideas 2025 | Fast Company

This bike helmet inflates when you want to wear it—and can fold into your backpack if you don't

World Changing Ideas 2025 | Fast Company

How this Dutch startup is helping paralyzed patients move again World Changing Ideas 2025 | Fast Company

This hybrid RV could be a game-changer for travelers

World Changing Ideas 2025 | Fast Company

Apple's 2025 WWDC unveils iOS software revamp, Al plans and more Tech | Fast Company

NCAA agrees to \$2.8 billion settlement. Here's how it changes college sports Fast Company

'We dissent': NIH scientists sign letter criticizing Trump's cuts in public health research

Impact | Fast Company

'Day of the Jackal' author Frederick Forsyth dies at 86 Obituaries | NPR

Also

Frederick Forsyth, Master of the Geopolitical Thriller, Dies at 86 The New York Times

A Timely Window into Cosmic Threats

American Scientist

Why Business Transformations Fail

Human-Centered Change and Innovation

Grab and go

Seth's Blog

10 stunning UNESCO sites that were immortalized on screen

Travel | National Geographic

Toddler who can barely talk drums and sings 'Pocketful of Sunshine' with stunning precision

Upworthy

Volvo reinvents & replaces seatbelts with multi-adaptive version that adjusts in real-time

DesignTAXI

Judge says administration can dismantle the Institute of Museum and Library Services

AP News

How American journalism amplifies extremism (it's not the way you think!) *Nieman Lab*

Democrats trust more news outlets than Republicans, new Pew tracker shows *Nieman Lab*

Social media creators to overtake traditional media in ad revenue this year *The Guardian*

Judge denies CPB's motion for emergency relief in board removal case Current

Our languages have more in common than you might think The Washington Post

Funding competition sabotages science - Impact of Social Sciences LSE Blogs

Restrictions on US academic freedom affect science everywhere Nature Human Behaviour

On the importance of reading (just not too much)

The Transmitter

Science Caught in a Rip Tide: How Authoritarianism Sweeps Away Evidence-Based Policy

The Equation - Union of Concerned Scientists

Little-known cells might be key to human brain's massive memory The Washington Post

This is What Meditation-Inspired Art Looks Like Yoga Journal

Saturday Citations: Reality vs. imagination; rhinos vs. poachers; mathematics vs. the Big Bang

Phys.org

Eco-Alchemy: The creative fusion of art and environmental consciousness *Business News Nigeria*

When Algorithms Imitate Art

International Policy Digest

Why students need interdisciplinary skills to thrive in tomorrow's job market India Today

Artificial Intelligence: the murder of intellectual and creative faculties in the posthuman world

Atalayar

Conference Review: Al and Digital Innovations for Voice and Vocal Music *Royal Musical Association*

Exploring the Secrets of Human Creativity *WHYY*

A Testimony to the Arts: Destignatising creative degrees The Boar

From the meaning of landscape to the border between Mexico and the United States

Atalayar

Poets on Translation: Otherwise the Same - What gets lost in our eagerness to acknowledge that much gets lost in translation?

Poetry Foundation

5 mindsets on creativity to motivate anyone

Fast Company

Tony Awards 2025 Ratings Up Nearly 40%, Draws Largest Audience Since 2019 *Variety*

Also

Acceptance Speeches of the Tony Awards 2025: Watch the Broadway Winners Here

Playbill

Tony Award Winners 2025: The Full List

The New York Times

Best and Worst Moments From the 2025 Tony Awards

The New York Times

Tony Awards 2025: 'Maybe Happy Ending' Named Best Musical, 'Purpose' Wins Best Play, 'Sunset Boulevard' and 'Eureka Day' Nab Top Revival Prizes

Variety

Tony Awards 2025 Snubs and Surprises: Nicole Scherzinger, Audra McDonald and More

Variety

Broadway celebrates a spectacular season at the 2025 Tony Awards All Things Considered | NPR

2025 Winners

Tony Awards

Two Cans and a String - The Lovers' Telegraph

Learning & Teaching Creativity | Dan Hunter

Sly Stone, visionary funk frontman of the Family Stone, has died at age 82 All Things Considered | NPR

Also

Sly Stone, Maestro of a Multifaceted Hitmaking Band, Dies at 82
The New York Times

Sly Stone, Funk-Rock Pioneer Who Led the Family Stone, Dies at 82 *Variety*

Sly Stone's 10 Essential Songs: From 'Dance to the Music' to 'Everyday People' to 'Family Affair,' and More *Variety*

President Trump said he fired a Smithsonian museum director. Can he do that? *Morning Edition | NPR*

These fragile quilts by Black craftspeople need to be preserved — but the federal government has pulled the funds

Weekend Edition Sunday | NPR

Environmental Change and Indigenous Rights On the Swamp

American Scientist

Innovation or Not – SpinLaunch

Human-Centered Change and Innovation

Putting Human Agency at the Center of Decision-Making

Human-Centered Change and Innovation

Squeaky wheels

Seth's Blog

On burning bridges

Seth's Blog

A giant, rotting mass of seaweed threatens beach season—again *National Geographic*

Boy carried two miles to school inspires a locally-made wheelchair mission in Malawi

Upworthy

Expert shares three realistic ways you can actually increase your emotional intelligence

Upworthy

Can a Museum Be the Conscience of a Nation?

Freakonomics Radio

Airplane Food

The Economics of Everyday Things | Freakonomics

Robin Wall Kimmerer's Manifesto for a Gift Economy

People I (Mostly) Admire | Freakonomics

Is Your Network Boosting or Busting Your Creativity?

Of Leaders and Traits | Psychology Today

Halsey Offers a Peek Behind the 'For My Last Trick' Tour Curtain: How a Team That Includes Top Broadway Veterans Came Together to Create One of the Year's Most Ambitious Pop Shows

Variety

The One Hundred Milliseconds Between the World and You: Oliver Sacks on Perception

The Marginalian

Warner Bros. Discovery is blowing itself up to win the next act Quartz

Justice Jackson Just Helped Reset the D.E.I. Debate | David French Opinion | The New York Times

Trump Cuts Leave Few Caretakers for a Massive Federal Art Collection
The New York Times

Roger Nichols, Songwriter Behind Carpenters Hits, Dies at 84 The New York Times

How Stacy Spikes, Co-Founder of MoviePass, Spends His Day at the Theater The New York Times

China's Quiet Win: Outmaneuvering U.S. for Africa's Future Leaders The New York Times

Is It Art, or Is It an HVAC Vent?

The New York Times

CBS News' Scott Pelley: Settlement With Trump Would be 'Very Damaging' to CBS and Paramount

Variety

'We Need to Be Strategic': How WGBH's Leader Makes Hard Choices After Federal Funding Cuts

Q&A | The Chronicle of Philanthropy

Scientists discover 230 new giant viruses that shape ocean life and health News and Events | Rosenstiel School | University of Miami

Molecule Linked to Metabolism Found to Boost Plant Growth *UC San Diego Today*

Moms know best: What retailers can learn from the ultimate experience orchestrators

Fast Company Executive Board

Toyota has built a fully functioning Japanese city to use as a laboratory Impact | Fast Company Students designed these unusual cabanas to bring shade to Newark's public pools

Design | Fast Company

How game theory explains vaccination rates and parents' choices Tech | Fast Company

Supersonic air travel gets green light in U.S. after 50-year ban lifted Fast Company

Ballard mural project turns empty building into art, with more to come *The Seattle Times*

For Abby Jimenez, Being a No. 1 Best Seller Is the Icing on the Cake The New York Times

A New Law of Nature Attempts to Explain the Complexity of the Universe WIRED

Prominent lawyers join press freedom fight to thwart Paramount settlement with Trump

AOL, Los Angeles Times

How I Accidentally Inspired a Major Chinese Motion Picture *The Atlantic*

An Astronaut Finds Symbiosis with Nature in Agus Putu Suyadnya's Uncanny Paintings

Colossal

On Edmund White (1940-2025)

To A Green Thought | Garth Greenwell

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- to enhance the flow of relevant information,
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