



ARTICLES OF INTEREST

There will be no NCN Articles of Interest next week and will return 9/26/2025.

September 12, 2025

QUOTE(S) OF THE WEEK

"Dare to be naïve." – Buckminster Fuller

"Just because we don't understand doesn't mean that the explanation doesn't exist." – Madeleine L'Engle

"I strongly reject any conceptual scheme that places our options on a line, and holds that the only alternative to a pair of extreme positions lies somewhere between them. More fruitful perspectives often require that we step off the line to a site outside the dichotomy." – Stephen Jay Gould

"The idea does not belong to the soul; it is the soul that belongs to the idea." – Charles Sanders Peirce

"The cure for boredom is curiosity. There is no cure for curiosity." – Ellen Parr

"Your theory is crazy, but it's not crazy enough to be true." – Niels Bohr

"The world always makes the assumption that the exposure of an error is identical with the discovery of the truth — that error and truth are simply opposite. They are nothing of the sort. What the world turns to, when it has been cured of one error, is usually simply another error, and maybe one worse than the first one." – H. L. Mencken

VIDEO(S) OF THE WEEK

Watch a Timelapse of the Notorious Kowloon Walled City Built to Scale in Minecraft
Colossal

“Science in Health, Wealth, & War” A Social Media Op-Ed by Neil deGrasse Tyson
StarTalk Plus

Library of Congress Reading Road Trip- EP 101 Rhode Island
PBS Books

FEATURED EVENTS/OPPORTUNITIES

Game Changing Ideas in Sports
TEDSports
September 9 – 11 | Indianapolis, IN

NEH Announces Funding Opportunity for Museums and Historic Sites on the History of American Excellence
National Endowment for the Humanities
Deadline: September 10

Seeking answers in women’s health: A research agenda for the coming decade
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
September 11

Know a Trailblazing Woman Scientist? Nominate Her for Our ‘Cutting-Edge Women in Science’ List
The Story Exchange
Deadline: September 15

ENCATC Congress 2025
ENCATC
September 15 – 17 | Barcelona, Spain

Pressure Points: The future of health care’s workforce
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
September 16

ArtPrize 2025 to Ignite Grand Rapids with 16 Days of Art & Creativity
KARK
September 18 - October 4

CNN To Air Farm Aid Live Event With Willie Nelson, Neil Young And John Mellencamp Among Performers
Deadline
September 20

Imagine. Create. Activate! | Chicago 2025
Creative Placemaking Communities
September 22 - 24 | Chicago, IL

Strengthening Arts-Led Leadership and Partnerships in AI: A National Summit
Alliance for the Arts in Research Universities (a2ru)

September 24 | Preconference
September 25 – 26 | Conference

CODASummit Brings Together Creative Leaders of Public Art in D.C.

CODAworx

September 24 – 26 | Washington, DC

3 vital AI conversations we'll explore together at TEDAI Vienna

TED Blog

September 24 – 26 | Vienna

Connected Learning Summit

Connected Learning Alliance

October 5 – 10 | Virtual and In Person

Unleashing Imagination: The Creative Brain and AI

The Dallas Morning News

October 9

2025 AIGA Design Conference

AIGA

October 9 – 11 | Los Angeles, CA

Creating Healthy Communities: Arts in Public Health Convening

University of Florida Center for Arts in Medicine and New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC)

October 14 – 16

2025 Prospectus

Wisconsin Science Festival

October 16 – 26

Code 2025 Conference

Council of Drama and Dance Educators

October 17 – 19 | Kitchener, ON | Canada

TEDAI San Francisco 2025

TED

October 21 – 22 | San Francisco, CA

Inspiring Women in STEM: Advancing Women's Health, Leadership, and Innovation

Delaware Business Times

October 22

Growing Readers in a World of Screens and AI

New America, the Joan Ganz Cooney Center at Sesame Workshop, and the Campaign for Grade-Level Reading

October 27 | Virtual and In Person

Social Connection Conference

Foundation for Social Connection

October 28 - 30

TED Next

TED Blog

November 9 – 11 | Atlanta, GA

Imagine and Inspire Speakers Series

Creative Oklahoma

November 13, February 19, May 14

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

Creativity Week

Crayola

January 26 - February 1

ALL TOGETHER NOW: A Sneak Peek into SXSW 2026

SXSW

March 12 – 18

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

This Is the First Time Scientists Have Seen Decisionmaking in a Brain
WIRED

Can States of Curiosity Keep Your Brain Sharp?
Metacognition and the Mind | Psychology Today

Disruptive Change Agents: Lessons in Innovation
Bully-Wise | Psychology Today

This is the best evidence yet for ancient life on Mars
Science | National Geographic

America's Innovation Future Is at Risk Without STEM Growth
Information Technology and Innovation Foundation | ITIF

Human Creativity in the Age of AI
Speaking of ... College of Charleston

A Moviemaking PBL Experience Brings History to Life
Edutopia

"There's no straight path...but if you can see it, you can be it!" - how the F1 Academy is looking to change the game for women in STEM
TechRadar Pro

They Created a Streetwear Line From Scratch. In High School.
The New York Times

Harvard Is Told Research Money Could Flow Again, for Now
The New York Times

Trump Threatens to Sue The Times Over Reporting on Epstein Drawing
The New York Times

New York Public Library Acquires 500 Hours of Largely Unseen 9/11 Footage
The New York Times

Happy Birthday, LIGO. Now Drop Dead.
The New York Times

How I turned a prison cell into a training ground for resilience and leadership
Lessons Learned | Fast Company

AI can't do what an architect does (yet!), but it's already reshaping buildings
Fast Company

Research shows humans are far superior to AI on this business task
Fast Company

How the 3-arrows 'recycling' symbol turned into a tool for greenwashing
World Changing Ideas | Fast Company

How to dominate AI before it dominates us

Tech | Fast Company

Healthcare is at the end of its MS-DOS era

Impact Council | Fast Company

What women's soccer fans can teach brands about building loyalty

Impact Council | Fast Company

Here's how AI will reinvent nonprofits

Impact Council | Fast Company

What is 'BYOAI' and why it's a serious threat to your company

Tech | Fast Company

Exploring Creativity in Human–AI Co-Creation: A Comparative Study across Design Experience

Frontiers

The benefit of art and academic collaboration

Johns Hopkins University

How creative backlash over AI systems training on stolen art styles sparked an artist-run platform

Milwaukee Independent

Detroit reimagines sustainability through art

Planet Detroit

Creativity is essential to the ethos of universities

Nature.com

Do you see what I see? People share brain responses for colors.

EurekaAlert! | AAAS

This scientist believes creativity is a skill you can learn

Connecticut Public

Exploring the Intersection of Art as a Social Science at BU: Meet Thurman Center's Nick Bates | Center for Innovation in Social Science

Boston University

How Sacramento Is Investing in Creativity

Comstock's Magazine

Night Science: Redefining Creativity in Research

Technology Networks

Jelly Beans for Grapes: How AI Can Erode Students' Creativity

EdSurge News

Review — Blueprints: How Mathematics Shapes Creativity

Forbes

Survey Results Show People Prefer More Human Involvement in AI-driven Art

Scientific American

Engineers design origami structures that change shape and stiffness on demand

Tech Xplore

Mexico rules that work created by AI cannot be copyrighted

Coingeek

Items in motion

Seth's Blog

Did Salvador Dalí's Nickname Help Make Him Rich?

Artnet News

Film festivals like TIFF set the tone for wider industry norms — here's what we're watching around AI

The Conversation

Perspective: An Open Response To NPR CEO Katherine Maher.

Inside Radio

White House review of Smithsonian's content could reach into classrooms nationwide

NBC News

AI Is Coming for YouTube Creators

The Atlantic

CBS News' new ombudsman has background and duties that differ from the job's traditional definition

AP News

Trump administration reverses course, says money for Philadelphia's Woodmere Art Museum is on its way

MSN, Philadelphia Inquirer

The Last Days Of Social Media

Noëma

What will happen to dance, with a major grant program changing?

All Things Considered | NPR

"Bottlebrush" particles deliver big chemotherapy payloads directly to cancer cells

MIT News

New Research Explores How HBCUs Can Boost Arts Career Development

National Endowment for the Arts

A lesson in visionary creativity - From a visit to the Jules Verne house-museum

Creativity Decision | Zorana Ivcevic Pringle

Janina Lundy of Heartbeat on Fusing Art and Science

Muse

Stuart Craig, Who Designed the Movie World of Harry Potter, Dies at 83

The New York Times

Nvidia Comes Out Swinging as Congress Weighs Limits on China Chip Sales

The New York Times

The Real Dirt on UW-Madison's 'Poet Laureate of Soil Sciences'

City Cast Madison

Why most AI wearables are still terrible

Ask the Experts | Fast Company

This radical new telescope design could upend the search for interstellar life

Design | Fast Company

Innovation as an operating model

Impact Council | Fast Company

A consequential moment for K-12 education

Impact Council | Fast Company

Design secrets: It's all in the typeface

Creativity | Fast Company

The class of 2025 just made history—in the worst way

Fast Company

Food-makers are phasing out artificial dyes. The problem: Americans love the color

Business | NPR

Have We Made AI Interfaces Too Human?

Human-Centered Change and Innovation

Making a point

Seth's Blog

We Need New Words To Make Sense of Our New Times. Here's Two.

And while the news is not good, it's not all bad, either . . .

Letters from the Future (of Learning) | Sam Chaltain

'I want to live to be 100.' Longevity lessons from sports icons

National Geographic

Also

How to start aging like an athlete

National Geographic

Your game plan for fighting Father Time

National Geographic

OpenAI takes on the big screen with 'Crittterz' full-length animated film

DesignTAXI

Why Youth Mental Health Calls for More Than Clinics - Where art meets mental health care.

International Arts + Mind Lab | The Art Effect | Psychology Today

The Colorful, Scandalous, True History of the Machine That Created American Pop

Arts & Culture | Smithsonian Magazine

Christie's Reportedly Closes Digital Art Department

ARTnews

We can't publish this! The beloved classics that were repeatedly rejected

The Critic, UK

Musicians keep leaving Spotify in protest of CEO's defense investments

Music | NPR

Bottom Line | National Trends 2025

SMU DataArts

WLRH Huntsville To Drop NPR Programs, Expand Local Lineup.

Inside Radio

Writing Is Not Thinking

3 Quarks Daily

Banksy Could Be Forced to Reveal Identity as UK Police Probe Latest Artwork

Mediaite

Apple Sued by Authors for Copyright Infringement

Publishers Weekly

First look: Crystal Bridges announces gifts, expansion opening

Axios NW Arkansas

'Butterfly' Explores 4,000 Years of Our Fascination with Lepidoptera in Art and Science

Colossal

10 Icky Things Mary Roach Has (Unfortunately) Brought to My Attention
The New York Times

Christoph von Dohnanyi, Conductor With a World of Admirers, Dies at 95
The New York Times

Also

5 Highlights From a Model Maestro's Recording Career
The New York Times

Rick Davies, Singer and Founder of Supertramp, Dies at 81
The New York Times

The Clue to Unlocking Parkinson's May Be All Around Us
Opinion | The New York Times

Announcing the Best Workplaces for Innovators 2025
Fast Company

Also

Best Workplaces for Innovators 2025: Excellence through adversity
Fast Company

Best Workplaces for Innovators 2025: Midsize companies
Fast Company

Best Workplaces for Innovators 2025: Small and mighty
Fast Company

Best Workplaces for Innovators 2025: North America
Fast Company

Best Workplaces for Innovators 2025: Large companies
Fast Company

Best Workplaces for Innovators 2025: Innovation Team of the Year
Fast Company

Best Workplaces for Innovators 2025: AI, automation, and machine learning excellence
Fast Company

Best Workplaces for Innovators 2025: International
Fast Company

Best Workplaces for Innovators 2025: Flexible workplace
Fast Company

Here's the methodology behind Best Workplaces for Innovators 2025
Fast Company

Best Workplaces for Innovators 2025: Innovative Leader of the Year
Fast Company

Gustaf Westman's new Ikea collection is perfectly weird
Design | Fast Company

Put down your phone and engage in boredom – how philosophy can help with digital overload
The Conversation

Screw the money — Anthropic's \$1.5B copyright settlement sucks for writers
TechCrunch

Hollywood's superhero bubble popped. Now hit video games are taking the controls
MSN, Los Angeles Times

New Banksy mural appears at Royal Courts of Justice
BBC News

Some French publishers are giving AI revenue directly to journalists. Could that ever happen in the U.S.?
Nieman Lab

13 Scientific Terms You're Probably Misusing
Mental Floss

Opinion | A Rescue Plan for Local Public Media That Conservatives Will Love
The Commons | The Chronicle of Philanthropy

Cindy Cohn Is Leaving the EFF, but Not the Fight for Digital Rights
WIRED

Inside the Chaos at the C.D.C.
The New Yorker

Scientists Turned Plastic Trash Into a Material That Eats Carbon
Climate Change | Gizmodo

Miles Davis' Catalog Acquired by Reservoir Media
Variety

Upstart Co-Lab Turns 10
Medium

NASA Announces CHAPEA Crew for Year-Long Mars Mission Simulation
NASAA

Five Dramatic Ways Animals Respond to Human Noise, From Mimicking Car Alarms While Wooing Mates to Calling Higher Over the Din of Traffic
Science & Nature | Smithsonian Magazine

When Historians Rediscovered These Frederick Douglass Letters, They Were Surprised by His Candid Opinions About Abraham Lincoln

History | Smithsonian Magazine

Become an Expert on a New Subject for National Read a Book Day

Smithsonian Voices | Smithsonian Books

The Influence of Star Trek and Science Fiction on Real Science

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Google admits the open web is in ‘rapid decline’

The Verge

Meta suppressed research on child safety, employees say

The Washington Post

First CRISPR horses spark controversy: what’s next for gene-edited animals?

Nature

Opinion: Susan Stamberg, trailblazer and NPR Founding Mother, retires

Simon Says | Weekend Edition Saturday

Jodie Foster on Struggles of Women Directing in Hollywood; Shares Advice for Nicolas Cage’s ‘True Detective’ Role

Variety

These Doctors Have a Bold Plan to Eradicate Parkinson’s Disease—and It Starts in Your Home

Oprah Daily

The Power of A Word

Gapingvoid

Orson Welles Estate Slams AI Company’s Plan to Recreate Lost Scenes of ‘Magnificent Ambersons’: ‘Disappointing’ and an ‘Attempt to Generate Publicity’

Variety

Also

AI Is “Possibly The End Of Human Creativity,” Predicts CEO Of Amazon-Backed Firm Helping Rescue Lost ‘Magnificent Ambersons’ Footage

Deadline

HARD CREATIVITY: A Failure Space We Share - Across politics, arts, and commerce we are losing our ability to metabolize friction into possibilities.

Theo Edmonds: Culture Futurist

Paramount Taps Kenneth Weinstein as CBS News Ombudsman

Variety

David Baltimore, Nobel-Winning Molecular Biologist, Dies at 87

The New York Times

The Future Is Flag

The New York Times

A Zap of Blue Light Shows Promise Against Food and Sweat Stains

The New York Times

Howard Stern Trolls Viewers With Gag That Andy Cohen Had Taken Over His SiriusXM Slot

Variety

Have fish at home? You can help scientists discover how to save coral reefs

Impact | Fast Company

Why CEOs should care about the eroding middle class

Modern CEO | Fast Company

Tech is making workers' jobs more dangerous instead of safer

Future of Work | Fast Company

4 ways AI can improve your thinking

Tech | Fast Company

Tylenol maker's stock dips after report says RFK Jr.'s HHS plans to link the drug to autism

Fast Company

How breaking the habit of saying yes can boost your productivity

Fast Company

From Kindle to Kobo and beyond, this free ebook depot will blow your mind

Tech | Fast Company

The new design imperative

Impact Council | Fast Company

Anthropic to pay authors \$1.5B to settle lawsuit over pirated chatbot training material

Business | NPR, AP

Also

Anthropic settles with authors in first-of-its-kind AI copyright infringement lawsuit

Culture

Four Democratic senators urge Smithsonian to resist White House attempts to 'bully the institution'

Culture | NPR

AI Slop and Human Play

Virginia's Newsletter | Virginia Postrel

Sometimes Ancient Wisdom Needs to be Left Behind

Human-Centered Change and Innovation

Under the circumstances

Seth's Blog

System architect/system victim

Seth's Blog

Harvard linguist explains perfectly logical reason Boomers insist on using ellipses in texts

Upworthy

Light Bulbs

The Economics of Everyday Things | Freakonomics

YouTube crowns 'Creative Maximalism' as the defining theme after 20 years... it's also 'brain rot'

DesignTAXI

Nike reimagines 'Just Do It' with 'Why Do It?' as self-doubt sweeps today's landscape

DesignTAXI

Powell's Books faces backlash for AI-assisted merch designs, sparks union concerns

KATU

West Point Abruptly Cancels Award Ceremony for Tom Hanks

Daily Beast

Carrie Underwood's Lyrical Blitz of the N.F.L.

The New York Times

The Worst Part of Tiny Bookshop Is Also the Most Accurate

Vulture

David Bowie's secret final project discovered locked in his study

BBC News

A.I. Enters the Museum

The New York Times

Unbundle the University

Persuasion

Tumult and Sympathy - The letters of Oliver Sacks

Commonweal

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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.

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