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# LOCAL

## Governor Brown: Nat'l Arts Leader

Serving a historic fourth term, Governor Jerry Brown was recognized for his arts support by Americans for the Arts and the US Conference of Mayors in Washington, DC with the 2016 National Award for State Arts Leadership.

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## CA Arts Education Deficit Emboldens Advocates to Turn STEM into STEAM

Arts educators in California are joining forces to demand that schools recognize arts classes as not just optional -- but integral -- to STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) learning.

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## Creative Schools Taking Hold in CA

As it becomes clear that creativity and innovation are the benchmarks of the new global knowledge economy, California is emerging as a leader in the effort to reinvent education.

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## Senator Allen Introduces SB 916: the Theatre and Dance Act

Senate Bill 916 – the Theatre and Dance Act (TADA!) – was proposed in response to concerns raised at a hearing of the Joint Committee on the Arts held last fall on the status of visual and performing arts in schools. The legislation would establish single-subject teaching credentials for Dance and Theatre in California.

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"The bill, if passed, would direct the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing to begin a process to convene experts in those fields to draw up a new credentialing process and to get feedback from teacher education programs and school districts. The bill would allow current Dance and Theatre teachers to continue teaching those subjects."

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"Senator Ben Allen said it himself -- we're giving Dance and Theatre a place at the credentialing table. I don't think I'd be overstepping to say that the community of arts education providers is happy for the endorsement of the arts in public education, and we're at the ready to lend a hand."

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## Mayor Garcetti Announces New Fund for Art and Culture in Public Spaces

Mayor Eric Garcetti announced the launch of a new \$200,000 grant program that will support the work of local artists and bring new vibrancy to public spaces across LA. The Arts Activation Fund, a partnership between Mayor Garcetti's Great Streets Initiative and the LA Department of Cultural Affairs, will provide funding to artists with inspiring ideas for public art projects and cultural events in their neighborhoods.

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## LAUSD's Rory Pullens on How to Diversify Hollywood

As the executive director of Los Angeles Unified School District's arts programs, Pullens is hoping to remind the industry that there's a diverse generation of talent growing up in Hollywood's backyard that could be the backbone of the industry in the coming years. He's already working to make sure that this particular solution remains top of mind around town.

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# NATIONAL

## **In ESSA, the Arts Are Part of a Well-Rounded Education**

The Every Student Succeeds Act, signed into law December 10, 2015, includes the arts alongside math and language arts in its definition of a “well-rounded education.” This ensures that arts education programs and teachers are eligible to receive federal funds through provisions such as Title I, which supports disadvantaged students, and Title II, which supports teachers.

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## **The Internship Divide: The Promise and Challenges of Arts Internships**

Findings from a national study released in June 2015 by the Strategic National Arts Alumni Project confirm the value of internships for arts students but suggest that paid internships are more effective than unpaid internships in leading to professional success.

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## **Arts and Early Childhood Development Focus of New NEA Research**

In their first years, children experience rapid and important emotional, physical, and cognitive growth. What role do the arts play in early childhood development? A new report from the National Endowment for the Arts looks at research on how the arts affect young children from birth to age eight. The news is good, but several research questions remain, according to this literature review.

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# TRENDING

## The Winners and Losers of Economic Clustering

By now, we know that the clustering of companies and talent in urban areas drives innovation and economic growth, but it also generates distinct winners and losers both across and within cities and metros.

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## Dance Returns the Joy of Movement to People with Parkinson's

Worldwide, there are 10M people with Parkinson's disease, a progressive movement disorder, and they struggle with stiff limbs, tremors, and poor balance. But over the past 15 years or so, a few thousand have taken dance classes that are part of a program called Dance for PD. It began in Brooklyn and has spread throughout the country and around the world. It has also attracted the attention of scientists interested in the ways dance might ease symptoms.

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## The Death of the Artist -- and the Birth of the Creative Entrepreneur

Hard-working artisan, solitary genius, credentialed professional -- the image of the artist has changed radically over the centuries. What if the latest model to emerge means the end of art as we have known it?

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