

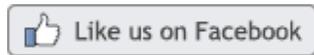
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Creativity and the Lazy Days of Summer



The mission of Creative Sonoma is to support and advance the creative community of Sonoma County. We define the creative community as individuals, organizations and businesses whose work is creative at its core. This includes artists, nonprofit cultural organizations, and creative enterprises such as design firms, galleries, recording and video studios, and more.

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The deep blue skies, hot sun and long days of summer are upon us. For Sonoma County residents, this brings to mind convening with friends and family for outdoor concerts, festivals and picnics, farmer's markets, working in our gardens, or taking more time to explore our beautiful parks, trails and coastline. Summer can also be a time to let go, and to let our days simply unfold.

For those of us who work, play, and innovate in the creative realms, how do we experience the summer mindset and also remain inspired and engaged creatively? Does summertime nourish and rejuvenate your creative life, or does it deplete it? Are you a parent or grandparent (or villager) who wants to ensure that learning continues throughout the summer months while children are out of school?

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[Business of Art: An Artists Guide to Profitable Self Employment, 2nd edition](#), published by the Center for Cultural Innovation: a basic yet comprehensive, easy-to-follow workbook with exercises, resources and business essentials templates.

We have rounded up a few resources to help inspire you while embracing our Sonoma summer:

An Invitation to Make Art in the Forest (from Shirin-Yoku.org)

Are you familiar with the Japanese practice of Shinrin-Yoku, translated as forest bathing or forest therapy? The practice is an invitation to slow down and notice natural details while spending time in a forest or natural setting (versus hiking or other exercise). The linked article briefly discusses ways to create ephemeral art from natural materials while enjoying your nature visit.

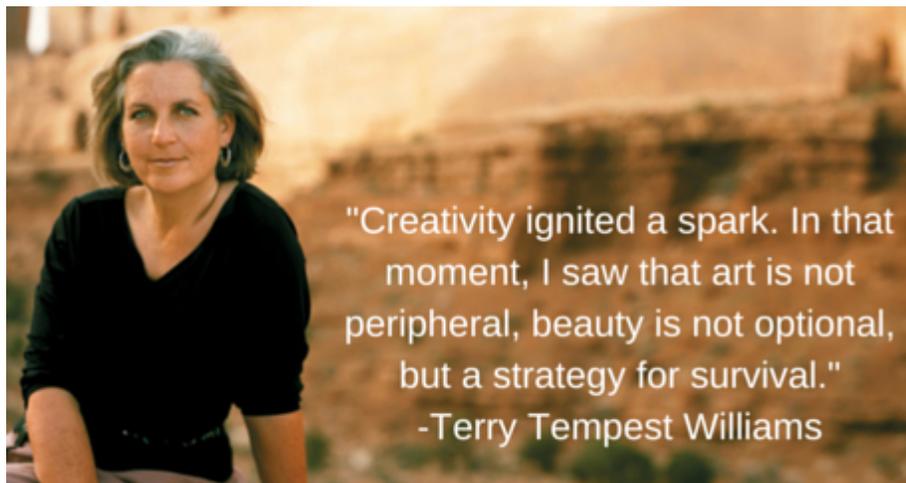
School's Out! Summertime Learning Lapse? (from The Creativity Post)

This Creativity Post article addresses seven different ways to playfully encourage creativity and critical thinking skills while students are on summer break. You can also check out [41 Outdoor Activities to Get Kids Out of the House This Summer](#), which includes arts activities for children (and the young at heart!).

5 Ways to Fuel Creative Inspiration (from the creativeLIVE blog)

This article contains simple ways that artists of all disciplines can spark creative connections during the summer months. One of our favorite suggestions is to "take a field trip." Think back to school days and the excitement of getting to explore somewhere new, somewhere out of school. Intentionally schedule a local field trip to one of our local treasures - from exploring artist open studios or attending an art walk, to a picnic in a sculpture garden, to sitting on the porch of Jack London's cottage - and treat yourself to something that brings your art or interests alive.

Literature, Nature and Art: An Evening with Terry Tempest Williams



A great artist can help us make sense of the world we experience - our cultures, our relationships, and certainly our natural environment. In Sonoma County, a place where beauty of the natural and man-made varieties abounds, a program interconnecting art and nature is especially fitting. This partnership between [Creative Sonoma](#), [LandPaths](#) and the [Luther Burbank Center for the Arts](#) to host a [Terry Tempest Williams](#) reading serves as a launching pad for us all to develop new, cross-sector programs and collaborations that bring our artistic community, public lands and our collective backyard together for the benefit of the entire County.

In this intimate speaking event, Ms. Williams will read from and talk about her new book on the National Parks, "The Hour of Land." This collection of essays honors and coincides with the centennial of the National Park Service. Questions from the audience and a book signing will follow the reading.

There are only a limited number of tickets remaining for the **Friday, June 10th event** at the Luther Burbank Center for the Arts (LBC). Ticket

holders are also invited to a reception at 6:30 in the LBC sculpture garden with Craig Anderson from LandPaths and artist Bruce Johnson. In addition, Landpaths is collecting **nature-themed children's books** as part of its [iREAD Outside](#) program intended to connect early literacy with a love of the land, and will happily receive your book donations at this event.

GET KNOWLEDGE: Trainings and Conferences

CREATIVE SONOMA WORKSHOPS & EVENTS

SPRING 2016

Arts Entrepreneurship: A 3-Workshop Series

Co-presented by the [Napa-Sonoma Small Business Development Center](#)

REMAINING DATES (all take place 5:30-7:30pm):

TODAY June 2, 2016 (Sonoma): Business Plans

June 16 (Santa Rosa) & 23 (Sonoma), 2016: Financial Management

PRESENTER: Richard S. Andrews

FEE: \$25 per workshop, or \$60 for the 3-workshop series

[More Information](#)

Upcoming Creative Sonoma Grant & Award Deadlines

June 3, 2016, 5pm: Summer Arts Youth Program Grants

June 5, 2016, 5pm: Next Level Musician Grants

July 1, 2016: Discovered Emerging Visual Artist Award Recommendations

More info below in GRANTS section below!

An Evening with Terry Tempest Williams

In collaboration with [Landpaths](#) and the [Luther Burbank Center for the Arts](#)

DATE/TIME: **Friday, June 10, 2016, 8pm** (reception in LBC Sculpture Garden with Craig Anderson of Landpaths and sculptor Bruce Johnson at 6:30pm)

LOCATION: Luther Burbank Center for the Arts, Santa Rosa

TICKETS: \$8, includes sculpture garden reception

[More Information](#)



Creative Sonoma workshops and events are published via this and other email blasts, and on our [Facebook Events Page](#). For questions, contact Samantha Kimpel, 707-565-6134 or Samantha.Kimpel@Sonoma-County.org.

OTHER NORTH BAY WORKSHOPS

SONOMA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

<http://edb.sonoma-county.org/>

Year of the Entrepreneur Speaker Series: Lyn Graft and Neal Gottlieb

Lyn Graft is a filmmaker who recently launched "Storytelling for Entrepreneurs," a vehicle to help people to use their stories to achieve their goals. Neal Gottlieb, co-founder of Three Twins Ice Cream, will present "Incorrigibly Delicious: The Trials and Travails of an Indignant Entrepreneur."

DATE/TIME: **June 23, 2016, 3:30-5:30pm**

LOCATION: Vintners Inn, Santa Rosa

TICKETS: \$40 General / \$20 Students (includes food & beverages)

[More Information](#)

NAPA-SONOMA SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER

napasonomasbdc.org

Visit SBDC's [Events Listings](#) for a listing of upcoming classes and trainings.

VOLUNTEER CENTER OF SONOMA COUNTY

volunteernow.org

Visit the Volunteer Center's [Events webpage](#) to register for future workshops, as well as for regularly occurring Roundtables for nonprofit Social Media Professionals, Volunteer Managers, Financial Managers and Executive Director Forums, among other events!

CONFERENCES / WEBINARS / RESOURCES

NEW RESOURCE: Culture Dept. Podcast

Culture Dept. is a weekly podcast that helps creators, artists and makers become their own businesses. In each episode, Daedalus Howell interviews the leaders, experts, innovators you need to guide your creative career into a sustainable venture. Listen in at culturedept.com.

Americans for the Arts 2016 Annual Convention

June 17-19, 2016 in Boston, MA

[More Information](#)

California Lawyers for the Arts

Attend workshops or conferences in the Bay Area, as well as access resources on arts and copyright legal issues and dispute resolution.

[More Information](#)

GET MONEY:

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CALLS TO CREATIVES

Spreckels Theatre Company: Youth in Arts and General Auditions

Auditions for Youth in Arts 2016 Summer Musical Production will be held on **Sunday, June 12, 2016** (ages 10-17); and general auditions for Spreckels' 2016/2017 season of plays and musicals will be held on **July 16-17, 2016** from 10am to 5pm, by appointment only.

[More Information on Youth in Arts](#)

[More Information on General Auditions](#)

City of Napa: Dwight Murray Plaza Public Art RFQ

The City of Napa has issued a Request for Qualifications from professional artists (or professional artist teams) interested in designing public art for Dwight Murray Plaza. Applications are due on **June 24, 2016**.

[More Information](#)

Connect to Calls to Creatives:

ARTescape Sonoma: [Call to Artists](#)

Healdsburg Center for the Arts: [Artist Opportunities](#) / **Reflections Shadows**

Occidental Center for the Arts: [Writers](#) and [Gallery](#)

Petaluma Arts Center: [Call to Artists](#)

Sebastopol Center for the Arts: [Call for Entries](#)

Sonoma County Literary Update: [Calls for Submissions](#)

CREATIVE SONOMA GRANTS & AWARDS

DEADLINE TOMORROW Summer Arts Youth Program Grants (SAYPG)

SAYPG is funded through funds designated by Sonoma County Board of Supervisors to support our County's creative organizations that are fostering

creativity in our local youth while giving them opportunities to maintain learning while school is out of session. The deadline is **June 3, 2016, 5pm.**

[More Information](#)

DEADLINE MONDAY Next Level Grants for Musicians

Grants are available to musicians and bands to help them do what it takes to move their careers to the next level. Grants will be paired with ten hours of one-on-one consulting with music industry experts to help encourage the most effective use of the grant funds. The deadline is June 6, 2016, 5pm.

[More Information](#)

DISCOVERED Emerging Visual Artist Awards

Creative Sonoma will recognize up to six emerging visual artists living and working in Sonoma County with a \$2,000 stipend and an exhibit of their work at the Petaluma Arts Center in early 2017. The deadline to recommend artists is Friday, **July 1, 2016, 5pm.**

[More Information](#)

OTHER GRANTS TO EXPLORE

Arts and Accessibility Technical Assistance Grants Program

The California Arts Council, in partnership with the National Arts and Disability Center, is pleased to announce that funds are now available for the 2016-17 Arts and Accessibility Technical Assistance Grants Program. Funds are available effective **January 2016 - June 2016.**

[More Information](#)

Center for Cultural Innovation: Investing in Artists Grants

Investing in Artists grants program will now fund Performing Arts and Media Arts working artists in the Bay Area under their Artistic Innovation category for grants up to \$7,500. Deadline is **July 1, 2016, 12pm.**

[More Information](#)

Alliance for California Traditional Arts: Living Cultures Grants Program

The Living Cultures Grants Program seeks to sustain and strengthen the folk and traditional arts in the state of California with grants of \$5,000 to California-based nonprofits, as well as other organizations who work with fiscal sponsors. Deadline is **July 15, 2016.**

[More Information](#)

Fleishhacker Foundation: Small Arts Grants

The particular emphasis of the Small Arts Grants Program is to support the development and presentation of the work of living Bay Area artists; arts organizations with budgets of \$100,000-\$750,000 are eligible to apply. Deadline is **July 15, 2016.**

[More Information](#)

Local, National and International Arts Grants Listings

List curated by the California Arts Council of current arts grants available to California artists and organizations, all disciplines.

[More Information](#)

JOBS & MORE

Want to share your passion for art making? Think SenseiScout.



Do you have a passion for arts and crafts that you'd like to teach? [SenseiScout](#) is a new place to connect with and learn from experts and enthusiasts. We provide a happy medium between you, the teaching artist, and individuals seeking to learn a new craft. With SenseiScout, artists get a free personal page with advertising support and a platform with a low service fee to manage workshop registration. All you have to do is tell us what you want to teach, when you want to host a workshop, name your price, and we'll take care

of the rest for you! For more information about SenseiScout, contact Alec Weeks at alec@senseiscout.com and connect on [Facebook](#).

EDB Services Program

The Economic Development Board offers a wide range of business assistance programs in which for-profit, non-profit and individual entrepreneurs can participate. We are featuring the "On the job" training program that may be applicable to assist in your staffing and training needs. The "On-the-job" training (OJT) helps subsidize the onboard and training costs for new hires by reimbursing employers 50% of a new hires hire's wage for six months or \$10,000 (whichever comes first). Eligible costs for reimbursement also include production losses and supervision time. EDB staff work with the workforce Investment board and Job Link on this program, providing a 360 degree service for the employer and potential employees including candidate screenings and specialized trainings. To learn more about this program please contact the EDB Business Services Program Manager, Heather LoBue at heather.lobue@sonoma-county.org or (707) 565 6414.

California Arts Council, Arts Jobs Listings

Listing of current arts job openings from throughout California.
[More Information](#)

Creative Sonoma is a Division of the [Economic Development Board](#) of [Sonoma County](#).



"If only life could be more tender and art a little more robust."

-Alan Rickman, Actor



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