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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**GET NEWS: Stories and Updates**

**Maximize Summer Days**

We know that back-to-school, harvest time, and fall arts programming are all just around the corner. However, the warm days remain long, and there are a lot of outdoor summer events and programs still in progress. Take a bit of time to savor summer days at these free arts activities and events!

**See Art Outdoors**

- **Sculpture Trail, Cloverdale and Geyserville:** Explore sculptures on the main streets in both towns. Visit [www.101sculpturetrail.com](http://www.101sculpturetrail.com) to download a map.

- **Luther Burbank Center for the Arts, Sculpture Garden, Santa Rosa:** On view are Bruce Johnson's colossal wood sculptures, a few of...
The e-newsletter CURRENTS is published on the first Thursday of each month: please submit potential items a week in advance to creativesonoma@sonoma.county.org.

The PDF version of this newsletter issue is attached HERE.

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WE RECOMMEND

Next Level Musician Grants Awarded

We are happy to announce the awardees of the 2016 Next Level Grants for Musicians: congratulations to The Easy Leaves, The Bootleg Honeys, Ismay, Black Sheep Brass Band, and Shaun Hunter. Each band or performer will receive a $2,500 grant in support of the project that they proposed, along with 10 hours of professional consulting related to their goals to expand their skills and career trajectory. We’ll share stories about each of their projects soon. And thanks to all who applied - the applicant pool illustrated the wealth of creativity and talent in our county!

GET KNOWLEDGE:
Trainings and Conferences

CREATIVE SONOMA WORKSHOPS & EVENTS

COMING SOON:

Workshops
Our fall workshops will be announced late this summer. If you have suggestions for workshops that could support and advance your creative work, please email your ideas or requests to creativesonoma@sonoma-county.org.

Coffee & Conversation Meetings: Santa Rosa
We are planning Coffee & Conversation meetings in various neighborhoods of Santa Rosa for late summer/early fall, and will announce the schedule soon!

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

MEET-UPS: The Business of Art
Want to work on your mission statement, business plan or artist's statement? Lance Kuehne, an artist who took Creative Sonoma's Arts Entrepreneurship Workshop Series, has arranged Business of Art Meet-Ups at Riverfront Gallery in Petaluma; you will find these sessions on his North Bay Landscape Photography Workshops page. These are opportunities to gather to work and receive feedback on these materials.

SONOMA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD
http://edb.sonoma-county.org/

Year of the Entrepreneur: Check out the online calendar for upcoming training and networking opportunities for Sonoma County entrepreneurs. www.yote2016.com/calendar/

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 Mangers and Executive Director Forums, among other events!

CONFERENCES / WEBINARS /RESOURCES

Resources for Wildfire-Affected Artists and Communities
With the recent and current wildfires in our state, there are a few resources to aide artists affected. Craft Emergency Relief Fund (CERF+) has emergency relief grants and interest-free loans available for eligible artists working in craft disciplines. Guidelines and eligibility are available on the CERF+ website. A wealth of information on emergency readiness for all artists can be found at www.studioprotector.org. For musicians in need, contact Musicares.

West Coast Songwriters Annual Conference
The 2016 Conference will take place on September 23-25, 2016 at the General's Residence at Fort Mason in San Francisco. With a special kick-off party Friday night, it's your chance to meet fellow conference attendees as well as the many and varied music industry leaders instructing the full weekend of seminars. Volunteer at the conference for discounted registration: deadline to register for that ticket type is August 10, 2016.

More Information
National Arts Marketing Project Annual Conference
FUELING CHANGE: As arts marketers, how do we successfully maintain organizational relevance while building sustainability in our rapidly changing world? How can we meet change with a responsive, creative, and flexible approach? How can we capitalize on change to fuel inventive and unconventional thinking, forward-thinking solutions, and a willingness to experiment? Explore these ideas in Austin, Texas, **November 11-14, 2016**. Early bird registration deadline is August 26, 2016.

More Information

LOCAL PODCAST: Culture Dept.
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.

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

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CALLS TO CREATIVEs

Somona County Arts Centers and Groups
ARTescape Sonoma: [Call to Artists](#)
Healdsburg Center for the Arts: [Artist Opportunities](#)
Occidental Center for the Arts: [Gallery](#)
Occidental Center for the Arts: [Writers](#)
Petaluma Arts Center: [Call to Artists](#)
Sebastopol Center for the Arts: [Call for Entries](#)
Sonoma County Literary Update: [Calls for Submissions](#)

Northbay Stage Company: Directors, Stage Managers
Now accepting resumes for Directors for [Dial M for Murder](#) (Oct 21 to Nov 6 - 2016, with rehearsals starting in Sept and auditions first week in Sept) and [1940s Radio Hour](#) (opens late Jan 2017). Stage manager openings for several productions. Please send resumes to info@northbaystageco.org.
Deadline to submit info is **August 10, 2016**.
Submit Here

Graton Gallery: Anything Goes
Open to all artists, hand-deliver artwork to the Graton Gallery on **August 12, 13 and 14**, for the August 17-September 25, 2016 Show. For complete information, down and print the [Prospectus and Entry Form](#).

Petaluma Art Association: Art in the Park
Call to local artists to participate in the 59th Annual Art in the Park, taking place **September 10-11** in Petaluma's Walnut Park. Please visit the website for more information and an application. Rates go up **August 15**. Booths are also available for arts organizations at special rates.
More Information

Chroma Gallery: Flight
This is a non-juried show, all about flying things. Artists may enter one or two pieces of art in any media. Fee: $15 per entry. Drop off art: Friday or Saturday, **August 26 and 27** from 11am to 4pm or **Sunday, August 28**, 11am-2pm.
More Information
GRANTS & AWARDS

National Endowment for the Humanities
Public Humanities Projects, open June 9, deadline August 10, 2016.
Humanities Connections, open April 19, deadline October 9, 2016.
More Information

National Endowment for the Arts: Our Town Program
Projects that Build Knowledge About Creative Placemaking, and the Arts Engagement, Cultural Planning and Design Projects, both open May 9, deadline September 12, 2016.
More Information

Gerbode & Hewlett Foundations: 2016 Music Composition Awards
The Wallace Alexander Gerbode Foundation and The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation are pleased to announce a $300,000 fund for the creation and production of new music by California composers. The works are to be commissioned and premiered by Bay Area nonprofit arts organizations that can apply for grants of $50,000 each. Deadline is September 8, 2016, 4pm.
More Information

Creative Work Fund: Literary and Traditional Arts
The Creative Work Fund invites artists and nonprofit organizations to create new art works through collaborations, and is accepting proposals form literary and traditional arts is this round. Artists are encouraged to collaborate with nonprofit organizations of all kinds, stretching boundaries and forging new partnerships. A free seminar for prospective applicants takes place Santa Rosa at the California Indian Museum and Cultural Center on September 28, 2016, 1:30-3pm: more info and register HERE. Deadline for Letter of Inquiry is December 2, 2016.
More Information

National YoungArts Foundation
Are you a visual, literary, design or performing artist between the ages of 15-18? Win cash awards of up to $10,000, an alternative to scholarships to spend as you wish. Take master classes with accomplished artists in your field. Become eligible for nomination as a U.S. Presidential Scholar in the Arts. Deadline to apply is October 14, 2016, 11:59pm EST.
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 January 15, 2017.
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

Transcendence Theatre Company: Director of Development
The Director of Development is a member of the senior leadership team, and their work is integral to the future success of the Transcendence Theatre Company (TTC) and its long-term vision. The Director of Development is responsible for the design, management, and execution of fundraising strategies to grow the contributed revenues of TTC from individual donors, sponsors, foundations, and government agencies. (Posted July 17, no deadline listed.)
More Information

Healdsburg Jazz Festival: Office Manager
Under the direction of the Executive/Artistic Director, this part-time position is responsible for running the informal office of our small, non-profit organization. *(Posted July 26, no deadline listed.)*

**More Information**

**Occidental Center for the Arts: Executive Director**
Executive Director will be overseeing four critical areas: Administration, Program Management, Volunteer Management and Promotion/Marketing. We are looking for someone who will also further fundraising efforts, working with board members, volunteers and its members. *(Posted July 29, no deadline listed.)*

**More Information**

**Healdsburg Jazz Festival: Bookkeeper**
Part-time flexible Bookkeeper with excellent QuickBooks and accounting skills
Informal environment. Hours vary during different parts of the year, with more time required around the Healdsburg Jazz Festival in early June. *(Posted August 1, no deadline listed.)*

**More Information**

**Santa Rosa Symphony: Youth Ensembles Manager**
The Youth Ensembles Manager is responsible for daily operations of four of the five youth ensembles: Preparatory Orchestra (PO), Repertory Orchestra (RO), String Orchestra Workshop (SOW), and Young People's Chamber Orchestra (YPCO). Listed deadline to apply is **August 5, 2016**, but SRS has agreed to accept applications through **August 12**.

**More Information**

**Sonoma Valley Museum: Director of Development**
The Director of Development is responsible for planning, executing, and evaluating fundraising and development initiatives. See full job description attached. Apply by **August 12, 2016, 5pm**.

**More Information**

**SANTA CLARA / City of San Jose: Public Art Director**
The City of San Jose Office of Cultural Affairs (OCA) is seeking a proven, visionary leader to serve as Public Art Director. The new Public Art Director will lead an innovative and award-winning program in the 10th largest U.S. city, known as the Capital of Silicon Valley. Apply by **August 12, 2016, 11:59pm**.

**More Information**

**NATIONAL / United States Artists (USA): President & CEO**
USA seeks an entrepreneurial, passionate and engaging advocate of artists, to raise funding and support for the artistic endeavors of America’s most accomplished and innovative artists across disciplines, geography and backgrounds. Download the position description [HERE](#).

**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 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**.

"Creativity ignited a spark. In that moment, I saw that art is not peripheral, beauty is not optional, but a strategy for survival."

- Terry Tempest Williams

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