CELEBRATING A MILESTONE: WE'RE THREE YEARS OLD!

In June 2014, Creative Sonoma was established by a vote of the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors and given a three year runway to get established.

This past August, we presented a progress report to the Board of Supervisors and are very happy to report that, by unanimous vote, the Board extended our existence as a division of the Economic Development Board into the foreseeable future!

There are certain milestones in our development that are worth tracking. According to PBS' Child Development Tracker, as a 3-year old, we should be able to understand stories, songs and poems (check!); learn through exploring (check!); and our favorite, "build on our abilities in the creative arts by developing greater control over our voices" (check!).

To read more about this milestone and to peruse our infographics on our accomplishments to date, click on the Learn More button.
WHAT WE'RE UP TO: EVENTS AND WORKSHOPS

The following events are brought to you by the Pop Up Creativity Grant from Creative Sonoma. Watch our website and Facebook page for more events, which we add as the public program portion of their grants are scheduled.

SEPTEMBER 9 | A Love Letter Art Walk
Jill Valavanis: creating a Love Letter Art Walk, a free art-making event in The Springs area of Sonoma Valley.

OCTOBER 1 | Roseland Community Festival
Jake Ward: a "block party" style music and art festival located at the Roseland Village Neighborhood Center featuring all Roseland-based artists. Learn More

OCTOBER 8 | My Life: in 90 Seconds or Less
Mark Lowe: My Life: In 90 Seconds or Less invites independent and amateur filmmakers to create their video self-portrait. Submit films by September 20.

OCTOBER 22 | Mobile Exchange Booth & Travelling Art Station
The Village Builders: creating a mobile exchange booth and traveling art station using a repurposed phone booth on a trailer.

NOVEMBER 4 | Dear Santa Rosa: Love Letters to a Place
Womb Space Collaborative Arts: imagining the Roseland neighborhood's past, present, and future via love letters of visual and written language and addressed to the community in a public celebration.
Are you serious about professionalizing your creative business? Get into (fiscal) shape!

Developed by a local CPA with years of experience working with artists, entrepreneurs, sole proprietors, and small businesses, this series of six "bite-size" 60-minute classes is designed to get you on track to manage your finances and business reporting. Topics include budgeting, bookkeeping, business structure, hiring and/or subcontracting, and taxes.

We encourage those interested to take the entire series, as each course is designed to flow into the next to increase your understanding of best practices.

Registration is now open for those who want to sign up for the entire series, as we would like to encourage the formation of a supportive learning cohort. Registration for remaining seats in individual classes will open in early October.

**LOCATION:** Creative Sonoma, 141 Stony Circle, Suite 110, Santa Rosa, CA  
**DATES:** Tuesdays, October 24 - December 5 (off the week of Thanksgiving)  
**TIME:** 12:00-1:00pm (You are welcome to bring a brown bag lunch.)  
**FEE:** $45 for the 6-class series, or $10 per class  
**PRESENTER:** Jill Jacobs, CPA

Click on the Learn More Button for more information on the topics and to register.
Encourage Creativity: Teach the Arts

National Arts in Education Week is a national celebration recognizing the transformative power of the arts in education. Passed by Congress in 2010 through House Resolution 275, the celebration is designated to bring attention to this cause for elected officials and educational decision makers across the country, and to support equitable access to the arts for all students.

To find out how you, your school, and/or your community can celebrate Arts in Education Week, click on the Learn More button.

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GET KNOWLEDGE: Trainings and Conferences

Creative Sonoma Workshops and Events

**Financial Bootcamp for Creatives**
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More Information
Pop Up Creativity Events  
Various locations, Sonoma County  
September 2017 - January 2018  
Most events are FREE  
More Information

Conferences/Professional Development

Teacher Training for Social Justice - San Rafael
Are you an actor, director or theatre teacher who wants to use the power of theatre to help others? Join the Marin Shakespeare Company’s Shakespeare for Social Justice Instructor Training Workshops to learn about using Drama Therapy and Shakespeare to open minds and hearts. **October 14-15, 2017.**  
More Information

National Arts Marketing Project Conference - Memphis, TN
The annual NAMP Conference is the one event you can learn and network with the best brightest arts marketers in the nation. You'll gain the skills and strategies you need to turn your marketing into a sustainable competitive advantage and inspire your audience. **November 10-13, 2017.**  
More Information

National Guild for Community Arts Education Conference - San Francisco
The Conference for Community Arts Education addresses the specific needs of nonprofit arts education organizations and provides support for expanding equitable access to arts learning opportunities in communities across the country. **November 15-18, 2017.**  
More Information

Check out MORE Professional Development opportunities in our online Marketplace.

GET CONNECTED: Creative Calls, Grants, Jobs & More

Calls to Creatives

CALL FOR ENTRIES: Got Glass! | Sebastopol Center for the Arts
The Sebastopol Center for the Arts is calling on national and international, established and emerging glass artists to submit entries for two concurrent, juried shows featuring different glass techniques. **Deadline is September 12, 2017**  
More Information

CALL FOR FILMMAKERS (FROM AMATEUR TO PRO): Pop Up Creativity - My Life: in 90 seconds or less
Is a music video a reflection of who you are? Maybe a scripted scene? Or a slice of truly unscripted reality? Submit now for **My Life: in 90 seconds or less**, made possible by the Pop Up Creativity Grant. **Deadline is September 20, 2017.**  
More Information

CALL FOR ENTRIES: SECRET IDENTITIES | Chroma Gallery
A mask can be worn to liberate the wearer from inhibition, to beguile and entice the viewer, or to conceal and protect one’s true self. Entries should reflect these and other themes relating to alter-ego and concealment. Drop off September 26-27, 2017.
More Information

CALL FOR ARTISTS: 16th Annual Gift Gallery | Healdsburg Center for the Arts
This annual sale is an opportunity for Regional artists to showcase and sell their work, and for the community to purchase unique, handmade gifts, which supports Healdsburg Center for the Arts and our communities. Application deadline is September 30, 2017.
More Information

Check out MORE Calls to Creatives in Creative Sonoma's online Marketplace.

Grants & Awards

Community Grant Program by Lagunitas
The California grant cycle has opened for Lagunitas Brewing Co's Community Grant Program, which concentrates funding in the areas of: Animal Welfare, The Arts and Music Education. Deadline to apply is September 28, 2017.
More Information

Levitt Foundation Outdoor Music Concert Program
The Levitt Foundation AMP [Your City] Grant Awards is an exciting matching grant program bringing the joy of free, live music to small and mid-sized towns and cities across the country. Deadline is October 2, 2017.
More Information

Gerbode Foundation 2017-2018 Dance Composition Awards
The Wallace Alexander Gerbode Foundation is pleased to announce the continuation of its Special Awards in the Arts program and another three-year $900,000 initiative by the Gerbode and Hewlett foundations. Deadline is November 9, 2017.
More Information

Call for Letters of Inquiry in Media & Performing Arts
The Creative Work Fund invites letters of inquiry from nonprofit organizations and collaborating media or performing artists. Deadline is December 1, 2017.
More Information

Check out MORE Funding Opportunities in Creative Sonoma's online Marketplace.

Jobs & Internships

Luther Burbank Center for the Arts: Patron & Member Services Representative
The Patron and Member Services Representative goal is to provide excellent patron service to the patrons and members of Luther Burbank Center for the Arts.
More Information

Sebastopol Center for the Arts: Executive Director
As only the second person to hold the job, the next Executive Director of Sebastopol Center for the Arts will lead the organization to the next level of service to the community.
More Information

National Association of Latino Arts and Culture: Various Positions
The following job positions are currently available with the National Association of Latino Arts and Cultures: Advancement Associate, Chief Advancement Officer, Data Entry Clerk, Program Assistant, and their Internship and Career Development Program.
More Information

Check out MORE Jobs/Internships in Creative Sonoma's online Marketplace.

Volunteer Opportunities

Petaluma Arts Center: Tuesday Morning Gallery Greeter
A Tuesday morning 3 hour shift is available with a 6 month commitment, 11am-2pm. Meet and chat with visitors and welcome them to the arts center.
More Information

Luther Burbank Center for the Arts: Ushers, Fun with Art, and Administration Volunteers Wanted
From ushering at a performance to working with students through our education program, The Luther Burbank Center's 300-plus volunteers provide vital service and bring the enrichment of the arts to our community.
More Information

Cinnabar Theater: Volunteer Opportunities - Various Positions
As a nonprofit organization, Cinnabar relies on volunteers to fulfill its mission. From our parking lot to our lobby, from our box office to backstage, every show depends on volunteers.
More Information

Check out MORE Volunteer Opportunities in Creative Sonoma's online Marketplace.

WITH SUPPORT FROM
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.

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.

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