



Dear Inclusive Arts Vermont Community,

I don't know about you, but I feel like the world is changing by the minute right now. I also feel myself wanting consistency and normalcy, which for me, includes feeling in tune with my community and creativity. This time has left me craving connections with the community and the arts.

With the school year transition to distance learning and temporary childcare closures across Vermont, Inclusive Arts Vermont has suspended our direct service programming. Our hope is that all of the programs you have come to know and love will resume as soon as it is possible and safe to do so. Additionally, the ANEW Exhibition's tour is on pause for the time being.

In the meantime, we will be sharing resources and activities with you as they come across our inboxes. We hope that the links below will help keep you connected to the arts during this time of staying at home.

If you or your organization has something they would like to share with our mailing list, please send it our way for consideration in this new weekly roundup.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in contact with our program management team, listed below. We're all working from home and staying safe and healthy, and would welcome any questions you have during this time!

- Peggy Rainville Start With The Arts
- <u>Heidi Swevens</u> Professional Development, ANEW Exhibition, Community Partnerships
- <u>Alexandra Turner</u> Collaborative Integrated Arts Residencies, High School Arts Education, Adult Arts Education
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Again, thank you for your patience and support during this time. Stay healthy, and we will see you again soon!

Regards,

Katie Miller Executive Director

WEEKLY RESOURCES ROUNDUP:

For Artists:

Rapid response relief funds from the Vermont Arts Council.

A broad list of other funding opportunities for artists.

River Gallery School has online offerings, including a free art and meditation workshop.

A list of resources for artists from Kickstarter.

For Parents & Participants:

<u>The New York Times</u> has created a list of digital performing arts experiences on their website. Opportunities include dance, classical music, and theater.

<u>Kinetic Light</u>, an inclusive dance company, is seeking input for daily performances pieces on their Facebook page.

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We miss you! Here's how to stay connected with us.

Mo Willems, Kennedy Center artist in residence, is offering free online art lessons called "lunchtime doodles."

For Organizations:

Americans for the Arts hosts a webinar next week, on April 8th, on how the CARES Act impacts arts organizations.

Accessible ZOOM tips for screenreader users from the Vermont Division for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

Thank you for your continued support!

The mission of Inclusive Arts Vermont is to use the magic of the arts to engage the capabilities and enhance the confidence of children and adults with disabilities. We do this through education, exhibition, and capacity building programs for teachers, students, artists, and organizations.

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