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CAAA News CAAA Is Now CAAA, Inc.

Our CAAA organization was officially incorporated on December 7, 2020 and will now be referred to as the Connecticut Arts Administrators Association, Inc. This was a recommended step in the application process for our non-profit 501c3 designation and limits the liability of our present and future Officers. Thank you to our attorney Andrew Minor, who is also a Visual Art teacher in Farmington Public Schools, for his guidance in the process and to our

CAAA Webmaster, Andrea Haas, for updating our logo and website. We hope to submit the 501c3 application sometime this month.

We are working on having an online payment option on our website for both membership dues and our Summer CT Arts Institute registration fees and expect to have this feature in place by early February.

Despite the year's many challenges CAAA has moved forward organizationally.

*Appointment of Executive Director, Rick Sadlon

*Institutional member of CT Association of Boards of Education (CABE)

*Active working partnerships with CMEA, CAEA, CSDE, COA, CAS.

*Representation on NafME policy team.

CT Commissioner of Education tapped for U.S. Secretary of Education

Dr. Miguel Cardona, Connecticut's Commissioner of Education has been selected by President-Elect Joe Biden as the next U.S. secretary of Education. Born and raised in Meriden, Cardona has long supported arts education

and taught art early in his career. He addressed CAAA in our annual meeting at the University of Hartford in January, 2020. Videos of his inspiring talk can be found at the CAAA website in the Jan. 16 Google Drive folder:

<http://ctaaa.net/csde-resources>

The CTART President stated, Cardona "will transform the USDE to help students thrive." A congratulatory letter was sent to Commissioner Cardona on behalf of CAAA Membership.

January 21, 2021 CAAA Meeting and PD Social Justice through the Arts

January 21, 2021

8:30-9:00 Business Meeting

9:00-9:25 Guest Speaker Tiffany Renee Jackson

9:30-11:15 Professional Development

Zoom Invitation will be sent 2 days prior to the meeting



Tiffany Renee Jackson Bio

Dr. Tiffany Renée Jackson is a groundbreaking, highly recognized classical and jazz singer, body builder, nutrition specialist and teacher. She was raised in New Haven, CT where she attended the Educational Center for the Arts before earning her Bachelor of Music from the University of Michigan, Master of Music and Artist Diploma from Yale University, Professional Studies Degree from the Manhattan School of Music and a Doctorate of Musical Arts from the University of Connecticut.

Dr. Tiffany Renee Jackson has an extensive, lauded singing career, spanning both classical and jazz. In the classical arena, after honing her craft with the Houston Grand Opera Studio, she sang with orchestras and symphonies around the world in Norway, Slovenia, Germany, and others as part of her Metropolitan Opera Study Grant and has been a featured soloist with many Symphony Orchestras including National Philharmonic Orchestra, Gotham City Orchestra,

New Haven Symphony Orchestra, Greater Bridgeport Symphony and many others. She sings in premier festivals such as Tanglewood, Ravinia and Aspen Music Festivals and in many of the world's top venues including Carnegie Hall, making her debut in 2005. In addition, she has worked with and appeared with many internationally recognized artists.

See Complete Biography and PD presenters on our website CTAAA.net

Third Round of Arts Aerosol Research

A third set of preliminary results has been released by the NFHS and CBDNA and a coalition of more than 125 performing arts organizations. The Press Release, attached to this message links to additional information at:

<https://www.nfhs.org/articles/unprecedented-international-coalition-led-by-performing-arts-organizations-to-commission-covid-19-study/>

CSDE forwarded this information to the Governor's Rule Subcommittee to consider revisions to Addendum 7 when the research study is finalized the end of January 2021. Please share these preliminary findings with your administration in anticipation of any CSDE revisions.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Virtual Site Visit

February 11, 2021

Waterbury Public Schools will share their arts programs and resources in this valuable site visit. Plan to join us beginning at 9:00 a.m.!

ARTS ADVOCATES Awards Breakfast

May 13, 2021

Our annual Arts Advocates Award Breakfast may be virtual or in-person! Nominations will open on April 1. Honor and thank your administrators, parents, teachers, and others for supporting you!

CAAA Summer Arts Institute

July 5-9, 2021 University of Hartford

Our annual arts institute will provide guidance, resources, and networking for arts curriculum development and innovative instruction. See the CAAA website for details!



Resources

Great free opportunity for arts career exploration and arts administration.

https://artsu.americansforthearts.org/products/dialstudio-professional-development-series#tab-product_tab_overview

CABE Journal

January 2021 https://issuu.com/cabepublications/docs/cabe.journal_january_2021

State Arts News

Pioneering Innovative Arts Teaching and Learning in Challenging Times: A Collaborative Webinar Series

Connect and engage with other Connecticut Arts educators in this innovative Webinar series created by the

Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE), and members of the Connecticut Arts Administrators Association (CAAA), Connecticut Music Educators

Association (CMEA), and Connecticut Arts Educators Association (CAEA).

January 13, 2021 from 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Teaching Music Composition Using Technology

Join the CSDE, CAAA, and CMEA as we partner to support teachers and administrators in teaching during these challenging times. Mr. Eric Nunes will share innovative practices (aligned to the student data privacy act) regarding teaching

composition. Eric is the General Music and Music Technology teacher for Regional High School District 8.

Please register for **Pioneering Innovative Arts and Learning in Challenging Times: Teaching Music Composition Using Technology** on Jan 13, 2021, 4:00 PM EST at: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6250695427802979085>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

"Because it's the artists of the world, the feelers and the thinkers, who will ultimately save us-- Who can articulate, educate, defy, insist, sing and shout the big dreams"

Leonard Bernstein,
June 28 1970,
Lenox, MA

Regional #1 JOB OPENINGS

Regional School District #10 is in need of a .7 elementary school art teacher right away and until the end of the current school year. Our permanent teacher is on a maternity leave through June.

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CAAA Mission

"To assist those responsible for local arts education programs in their efforts to ensure that all students have access to quality education in all of the Arts."

To this end the purposes of CAAA are:

- To provide leadership to develop and support quality arts education programs for all of Connecticut's students.
- To collaborate with national, state, and local organizations to achieve world-class state and national standards in arts education.
- To serve as a forum for communication and collaboration on arts education issues between leaders of K-12 programs, community arts organizations, state agencies, and higher education (including teacher preparation).
- To serve as a support network for sharing information, innovations, and strategies among school arts administrators.
- To provide professional growth opportunities for leaders of arts education programs.