

# LOCAL ARTS EDUCATION NETWORK



**The State Education Policy Network** – or SEPN for short – is made up of state-level arts education professionals primarily from State Departments of Education, State Arts Agencies, and statewide advocacy organizations, including the state affiliates of national arts education service organizations. These organizations benefit from being connected and jointly pursue, through divergent roles in the state arts education ecosystem, policy development and implementation with a shared goal of increasing access to high quality arts education throughout their state.

As part of the SEPN, members will receive the following benefits:

- Content-specific communications:
  - Dedicated monthly communication, *State Arts Education Connection*
  - Member e-newsletters: *Arts Education Connection*, *Members in Action*, *Monthly Wire*
  - Subscription to *Creativity Connection*
  - *ArtsLink* magazine
- In-person and virtual convenings with peers and experts:
  - Quarterly Network Calls
  - Annual Meeting, collocated with the National Arts Action Summit
  - Dedicated online forum
- Customized professional development
  - Complementary access to ArtsU, including Monthly Member Briefings
  - Reduced registration fees and scholarship eligibility for Annual Convention.
  - Additional free opportunities like weekly blog posts, and semi-annual blog salons
- Unique tools & resources
  - State ESSA Implementation Toolkit
  - Federal-State-Local Pipeline Policy Briefings
  - Discounted fees for hosting Arts Education Policy & Advocacy Workshops
  - The Arts Education Navigator, e-books, toolkits, and other resources on [AmericansForTheArts.org](http://AmericansForTheArts.org)

## Annual Meeting

Sunday, March 3, 2019  
9:00am – 5:00pm (reception to follow)  
Grand Hyatt Washington  
Washington, D.C.

*Note: this event is coordinated as a part of the National Arts Action Summit, which is held from March 4-5, 2019 in the same hotel.*

## Quarterly Network Calls

- Thursday, February 14, 2019; 2:00-3:30pm EST
- Thursday, May 9, 2019; 2:00-3:30pm EST
- Thursday, August 15, 2019; 2:00-3:30pm EST
- Thursday, November 14, 2019; 2:00-3:30pm EST

## State Arts Education Connection

- January 17, 2019 (content due 1/14)
- February 26, 2019 (content due 2/21)
- April 10, 2019 (content due 4/5)
- May 22, 2019 (content due 5/17)
- July 18, 2019 (content due 7/15)
- October 9, 2019 (content due 10/4)
- November 21, 2019 (content due 11/18)