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ARTS PARTNERS FOR LEARNING OFFERS
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FORUM FOR EDUCATORS

BUFFALO, NY (01/17/2014) – Arts Partners for Learning (APL) will host a professional development workshop for area teachers, educators, after school providers, and arts and cultural organizations. Attendees will have opportunities to network with APL partners, experience hands-on workshops, and learn more about APL activities in the coming year. Attendees will choose two 65 minute workshops. Conference participation contributes to the 175-hour requirement for NY State Professional Development Standards. All necessary documentation will be provided.

APL stresses the role of partnership at all levels: classroom, school, and community. Featured APL workshop leaders will role-play how to work with the teacher, the after school provider, and the teaching artist or cultural specialist.

Featured Presenters Include:

- The Buffalo Zoo
- Erie2-Chautauqua-Cattaraugus BOCES
- Explore & More Children's Museum
- The Roycroft Campus
- Shakespeare in Delaware Park
- Young Audiences of Western New York

WHAT: Join leaders from the arts and cultural community to learn more about best practices in arts-integrated education
WHERE: Buffalo Zoo, Banquet Room, 300 Parkside Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14214
WHEN: Saturday, March 1st from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
REGISTRATION: $20 general admission. Students $10 with valid college ID.

Visit the APL website at aplwny.org for more information. Follow the APL Facebook page for updates at www.facebook.com/aplwny.

ABOUT ARTS PARTNERS OR LEARNING: Arts Partners for Learning is a regional partnership that was formed in 2011 with support from the Fund for the Arts, John R. Oishei Foundation, and Young Audiences, Inc. with the vision to create opportunities for arts and cultural organizations and professional artists to work with schools and ultimately improve the educational outcomes for children.

ABOUT YOUNG AUDIENCES: Young Audiences of Western New York’s mission is to make the visual, performing, and literary arts a part of young people’s lives in order to enhance their development as creative and productive human beings. They provide services in Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, Orleans, and Wyoming counties. Every day, they fulfill their mission through performances, workshops, and residencies in educational, cultural and community centers.

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