



# Young Audiences Western New York

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## **ARTS PARTNERS FOR LEARNING ANNOUNCES SCHOOL PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR WNY SCHOOLS**

**BUFFALO, NY (May 15, 2014)** – Arts Partners for Learning and Young Audiences are pleased to announce that Western New York schools are eligible to apply for Arts Partners for Learning creative learning programs, which occur between September 2014 and June 2015. Programs include performances, workshops, residences, and field trips with cultural organizations that utilize the arts as a text to achieve Common Core State Standard benchmarks at any grade level.

Eligible schools must be located in one of the eight counties of Western New York, including Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, Orleans, and Wyoming. At least 90% of residency program costs will be covered for selected schools thanks to grants from the Fund for the Arts and New York State Council on the Arts. Deadline to apply is **June 16, 2014**.

### **Our partners:**

Albright-Knox Art Gallery

Buffalo Architecture Foundation

Buffalo Arts Studio

Buffalo Museum of Science

Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village

Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra

Buffalo Zoo

Darwin Martin House Restoration Corporation

Explore & More Children's Museum

Forest Lawn Cemetery

Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum

Hull Family Home & Farmstead

Infinity Visual and Performing Arts

Latin American Cultural Association

Shakespeare in Delaware Park

Shea's Performing Arts Center

Squeaky Wheel/Buffalo Media Resources

Roycroft Campus

Ujima Company, Inc.

Western New York Book Arts Center

Young Audiences of Western New York

Arts Partners for Learning supports the implementation of new arts and cultural programs, which provides professional development for arts and cultural organizations, as well as school teachers. In partnerships with Young Audiences, Arts Partners for Learning provides professional development through educator conferences and learning forums throughout the year, which also serve as networking opportunities for educators, artists, and cultural educators. More information about Arts Partners for Learning is available on its website at [www.aplwny.org](http://www.aplwny.org).

**ABOUT ARTS PARTNERS FOR LEARNING:** *Arts Partners for Learning is a regional partnership that was formed in 2011 with support in part from Fund for the Arts and New York State Council on the Arts 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. Young Audiences of Western New York is celebrating 50 years of service in 2013.*

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