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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, residencies, 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 Hull Family Home & Farmstead
Buffalo Architecture Foundation Infinity Visual and Performing Arts
Buffalo Arts Studio Latin American Cultural Association
Buffalo Museum of Science Shakespeare in Delaware Park
Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village Shea’s Performing Arts Center
Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra Squeaky Wheel/Buffalo Media Resources
Buffalo Zoo Roycroft Campus
Darwin Martin House Restoration Corporation Ujima Company, Inc.
Explore & More Children’s Museum Western New York Book Arts Center
Forest Lawn Cemetery Young Audiences of Western New York
Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum

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.

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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