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

**BUFFALO, NY (09/24/13)** – Western New York schools are eligible to apply for Arts Partners for Learning Creative Learning Programs, which occur between December 2013 and June 2014. 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 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 **October 15, 2013**.

Contact us today to book 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.

- Albright-Knox Art Gallery
- Buffalo Architecture Foundation
- Buffalo Arts Studio
- Buffalo Museum of Science
- Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village
- Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra
- Buffalo Zoo
- Explore & More Children's Museum
- Forest Lawn/Buffalo City 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
- Western New York Book Arts Collaborative
- 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 at different times throughout the year. On November 15, Arts Partners for Learning will be partnering with Young Audiences of Western New York to host the Patricia Cotsen Arts Abilities conference providing professional development and 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).

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**ABOUT ARTS PARTNERS FOR 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.

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