



AEA COMMUNITY PLANNING SESSION

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OF THE BAY AREA



**The Arts Education Alliance of
the Bay Area CONNECTS and
CATALYZES arts education
communities for a more just and
creative Bay Area.**

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opportunities

UPDATES

surface needs

advocate

plan

catalyze

CITY OF OAKLAND

Happy National Arts Education Week

CCI Quick Grants - '27 Oakland Eligibility

CA for the Arts Summit - April 28-30

Arts & Wellness Pilot Program

CAC Funding Increase, Oakland Status

CULTURAL AFFAIRS DIVISION



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VAPA OFFICES

OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Community Schools, Thriving Students

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OAKLAND UNIFIED

- Professional Development Structure
- VAPA Teacher Leaders
- Budget/Spending
- OUSD VAPA held/supported Events
- CTE
- Programs and Support

SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED

Arts & Creativity 2032

PD Highlights

Upgrades

Budget

SFUSD Arts Festival

ARTS DEPARTMENT



Contact info/website

<https://www.sfusd.edu/arts>

Scroll to bottom of webpage for Dept
Contact Info

SAN MATEO COUNTY

Arts Ed Conference Sept 30 - code **AEA30** for 30% off

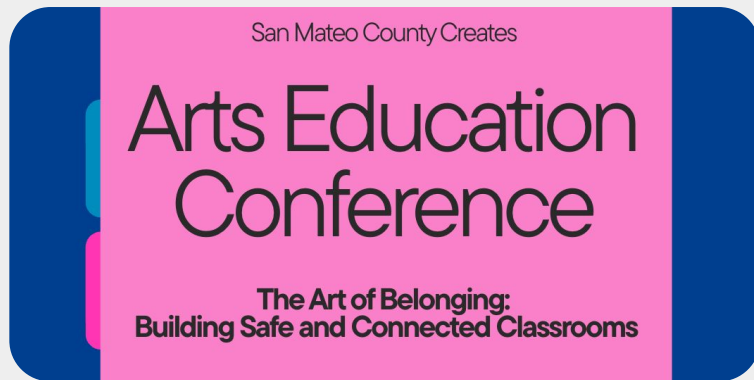
San Mateo County Creates Leadership Council

El Sonido del Orgullo - March 2027

Music Education collab with YANC in Special Services School

Prop 28 Updates - TBA Theatre Con

Visual and Performing Arts Coordinator



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SF ADVOCACY OPPORTUNITIES



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ARTS FOR A BETTER BAY AREA

Building on 2026 Achievements & What's Next

Regional: Upcoming Advocacy Efforts

Better Collaboration/Coordination Among Advocacy Organizations

Artists' Stories as Advocacy

November Election

PROGRAMS & ARTS NOW



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Ricky Abilez, Program Director

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CREATE CA

Updates

OAKLAND ADVOCACY OPPORTUNITIES



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CA FOR THE ARTS

Updates

ARTS EDUCATION ALLIANCE



**WEBSITE DROPPING
SOON!!!**

WWW.ARTSEDAALLIANCE.ORG

COMMUNITY EVENTS

BULLETIN BOARD

**COALITION
MEETINGS**

OUAP

SFACC MEETINGS

ANNOUNCED NEXT WEEK



**TEACHING ARTIST
EVENTS**

AEA, THEATER BAY AREA, &
BERKELEY REP

**PLANTING SEEDS
SAVE THE DATE**

THURSDAY, MARCH 25



THANK YOU



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