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Today’s Speakers

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NASAA President

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Agenda

- Federal budget status
- Congressional caucus news
- NEA leadership
- Arts education
- NASAA communications
- Audience Q&A

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Federal Budget Update

- Sequestration
- FY2013 Continuing resolution
- President’s FY2014 Budget
- Potential impact on NEA and SAAs
- Our roles
Congressional Arts Caucus

Representative Louise Slaughter (D - NY)

Representative Leonard Lance (R - NJ)
New STEAM Caucus
NEA Leadership

- Timing
- NASAA’s role
- Key messages

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Arts Education

- NASAA & NEA strategic partnership
- Legislative issues
- NASAA agenda and SAA roles

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The Committee values greatly the longstanding collaborative relationship between the NEA and the States. State Arts Agencies (SAAs) support the arts for communities at the grassroots level regardless of their geographic location, providing much of their funding to smaller organizations, community groups, and schools rather than well-established arts organizations. The Committee supports the continuation of this effective partnership and urges the NEA to work constructively with States in developing and implementing arts education programs and policies. [underlining added]
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Questions or comments about this session? Contact Eric Giles, Learning Services Manager (eric.giles@nasaa-arts.org).