



Flashes of Inspiration 2018

Briefing Sessions I Saturday, November 3

Flashes of Inspiration brings you an array of creative programs, helpful tools and fresh ideas from states and regions, using a series of fast-paced and highly visual presentations designed to inform and inspire you in just five minutes apiece.

Moderator: Patricia Mullaney-Loss, Research Associate, NASAA

1. **Minnesota Citizens for the Arts & Creative Minnesota – Creative Minnesota-Local Tools for Advocacy**

Creative Minnesota is a collaboration of the state's arts-supporting organizations to provide hard data on the arts sector for advocacy, education and policymaking, and we are about to issue our third round of studies. Hard data is a crowbar that opens doors; let us tell you about it.

Additional resources

- [Creative Minnesota Website](#)

2. **Nebraska Arts Council – Mastering the Arts in Rural Nebraska**

2018 marks the first of a four-year professional development program in arts integration for Nebraska teachers from rural, underserved communities. The Nebraska Arts Council is a proud partner in the Mastering the Arts program, made possible by a \$1.4 million U.S. Department of Education grant awarded to the state's Educational Service Unit 2. Learn how this program came about, and how it is serving teachers from some of Nebraska's most rural, diverse and underserved schools.

Additional resources

- [Local News Article](#)

3. **Instituto de Cultura Puertorriqueña – Cultura Rodante**

The Instituto de Cultura Puertorriqueña (ICP), with the sponsorship of the National Endowment for the Arts and leverage from private entities, developed Cultura Rodante in response to the destruction of devastating hurricanes Irma and María. This initiative took joy through arts to emergency shelters, elderly shelters and public plazas. It

allowed for the employment of artists and arts organizations, while providing relief to those who needed it the most. It transformed into a permanent program due to its effectiveness addressing accessibility for underserved communities.

4. South Arts – Jazz Road

Jazz Road is a new, large-scale, multiyear, national jazz program to create new opportunities for jazz artists to be seen and heard, in new/rural places and by new audiences. Learn how Jazz Road can serve the jazz musicians and programmers in your state.

5. Montana Arts Council – Montana Teacher Leaders in the Arts

This presentation highlights a three-year NEA grant-funded professional development program for Montana educators, created through a partnership between the Montana Arts Council and Montana's Office of Public Instruction. Drawing participants from across arts and non-arts disciplines, Montana Teacher Leaders in the Arts is at once a year-long professional development institute, an ongoing professional learning community, and a growing cadre of advocates supporting arts and education efforts statewide.

Additional resources

- [Montana Teacher Leaders in the Arts Program Video](#)

6. California Arts Council – Arts Interventions for Social Justice: California's Reentry through the Arts Program

How can the arts disrupt the cycle of violence and heal the trauma of those incarcerated? From grass-roots community arts projects to cross-sector collaborations, the California Arts Council's Reentry through the Arts grant program is exploring how to support positive change for individuals who are reintegrating into their communities from incarceration. Reentry through the Arts fosters effective partnerships and leverages the arts to support health, wellness and community cohesion.

Additional resources

- [Reentry through the Arts Webpage](#)