

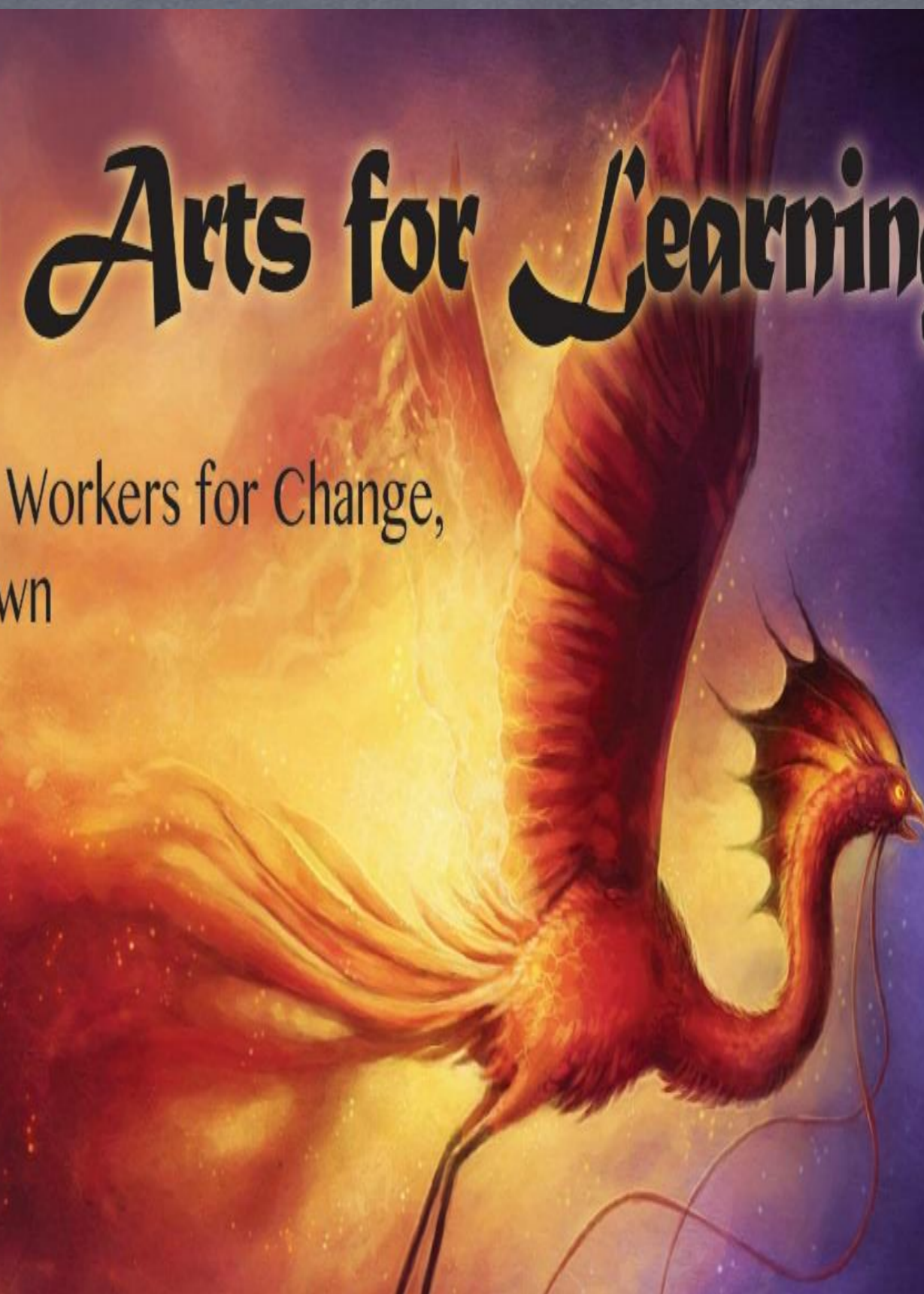
Santa Cruz County Arts for Learning

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the Dreamers of Dreams.” -unknown



Santa Cruz County
School Superintendent
Alfredo I. Velásquez

In Partnership with



Why the Arts?

By integrating the arts as an essential part of the culture of our schools, we will provide opportunities for our children and youth that will improve academic and artistic achievement, while enhancing and developing learning skills that translate across curriculums. Our students will be engaged in the learning process that facilitates inquiry, encourages creative risk taking, and promotes self-expression.

Vision Statement

In partnership with Young Audiences and through the power of the arts, we will create cultural understanding and partnerships that educate, enrich, and empower our students, schools, and communities in Santa Cruz County.

We do this so:

Our children and youth will use their creativity to succeed in school, work and life.

Mission Statement

The Santa Cruz County School Superintendent's Office is committed to building educational programs that promote creative and critical thinking, problem solving skills, and perseverance. Accordingly, the mission of the Santa Cruz County School Superintendent's Arts initiative (Santa Cruz County Arts for Learning) is to:

- Capitalize on the natural development that occurs in our children and youth as they become immersed in the arts,
- Expand the skills and knowledge of our teachers so they can integrate the arts as a meaningful element of their instruction and curriculum, and
- Reinforce staff and local community enthusiasm for the arts.

Mission Statement

Young Audiences

To inspire young people and expand their learning through the arts.



Young
Audiences
Arts for
Learning

Young Audiences Arts for Learning

- What is a network?
- 65/41
- From Service delivery to imbedded partnership
- What is Arts Integration?
- Lifelong Learning



ARIZONA'S ACADEMIC STANDARDS IN THE ARTS

Theatre • Music • Dance
Visual Arts • Media Arts



What are the
Standards?

CR

Creating

PR

Performing/
Presenting/
Producing

RE

Responding

CN

Connecting

Project Goal & Objectives:

GOAL:

Santa Cruz County School Superintendent's Office in partnership with Young Audiences, will build an infrastructure that will maintain the arts as part of school and community culture.

OBJECTIVES:

- Students will have the opportunity to study and practice the fine and performing arts in non-threatening and supportive environments.
- Students will work with well-respected and experienced teaching artists in partnership with certified classroom and art teachers.
- Staff will integrate the arts in to their classroom instruction.

Project Goal & Objectives

cont.:

- Teachers will be skilled in strategies that facilitate incorporating art into regular instruction. Teachers will:
 - a. Participate in quality, research-based professional development appropriate to the content, course, and level of their students.
 - b. Receive coaching and mentoring throughout the school year from Young Audiences, local arts programs, and artists in residence

Values

Students in Santa Cruz County have a right to an education that in addition to learning the core academic subjects, they will develop a cultivation of the arts through the following:

- **Competence** ~ Possessing the required skills and knowledge to set and reach goals.
- **Confidence** ~ Belief in one-self and being self-reliant and trustworthy.
- **Character** ~ Features and traits that form the individuality of each person.
- **Connection** ~ Associations made by observing, imagining, discussing, and relating.
- **Creativity** ~ Ability to transcend traditional ideas to create meaningful and original ones.

“Nothing will work unless you do.”

-Maya Angelou

**Santa Cruz County School Superintendent’s Office Actions
in partnership with Young Audiences Arts For Learning
National Affiliate Network:**

- PDAE Grant Application/Professional Development Opportunities
- Partnership with Young Audiences/Advisory Committee
- Incorporate into grants/projects
- Arts Integration Award

Partners

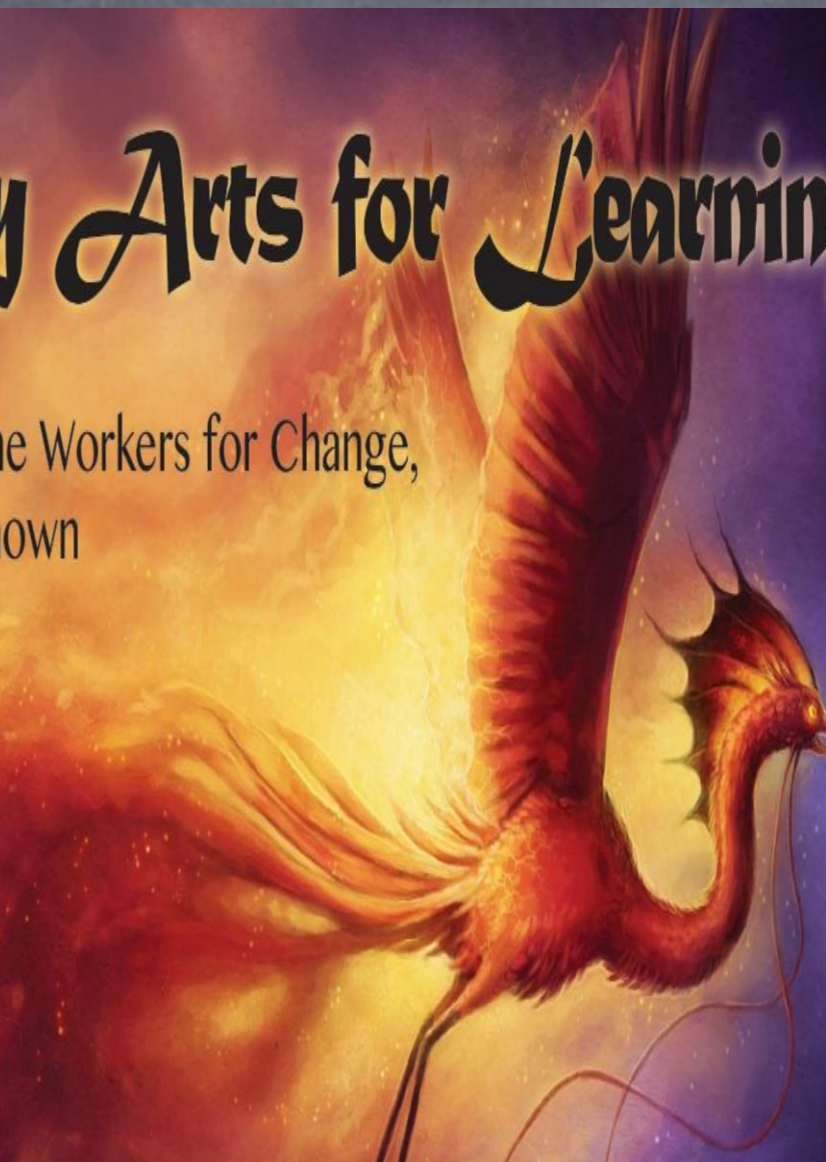
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