



National Creativity Network

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

Beware of the Ides of March!

There will be no NCN Articles of Interest on Friday, March 15, 2024.

March 8, 2024

QUOTE(S) OF THE WEEK

“Creativity — like human life itself — begins in darkness. We need to acknowledge this. All too often, we think only in terms of light: “And then the lightbulb went one of of and I got it!” It is true that insights may come to us as flashes. It is true that some of these flashes may be blinding. It is, however, also true that such bright ideas are preceded by a gestation period that is interior, murky, and completely necessary.” – Julia Cameron

“Leave the beaten track behind occasionally and dive into the woods. Every time you do you will be certain to find something you have never seen before.” – Alexander Graham Bell

“In mathematics the art of asking questions is more valuable than solving problems.” – Georg Cantor

“Nothing dies harder than a bad idea.” – Julia Cameron

“The most dangerous phrase in the language is, “We’ve always done it this way.”” – Grace Hopper

“Don’t be too timid and squeamish about your actions. All life is an experiment. The more experiments you make the better.” – Ralph Waldo Emerson

“You can, you should, and if you’re brave enough to start, you will.” – Stephen King

“A mind which has once imbibed a taste for scientific inquiry, and has learnt the habit of applying its principles readily to the cases which occur, has within itself an inexhaustible source of pure and exciting contemplations. ... Accustomed to trace the operation of general causes, and the exemplification of general laws, in circumstances where the

uninformed and unenquiring eye perceives neither novelty nor beauty, he walks in the midst of wonders.” – John Herschel

“As a rule, indeed, grown-up people are fairly correct on matters of fact; it is in the higher gift of imagination that they are so sadly to seek.” – Kenneth Grahame

VIDEO(S) OF THE WEEK

In a New Milky Chance Music Video, GMUNK Pushes the Envelope of CG Artistry and Digital Creative Tools

Colossal

AI outperforms humans in creative potential tests: study

CTV News

Recasting the Melting Pot: Hugh Hayden’s Iron Sculptures Examine How Culture Is Duplicated and Dispersed

Colossal

“My Bologna Has a First Name”: The Origins of Oscar Mayer’s Iconic Jingle

Mental Floss

Lindsay Acree: Unlocking a world of creativity

New York 1

People can't get enough of this epic dance routine to "Somebody That I Used to Know"

Upworthy

Chance, Chicken Nuggets & Changing the World! | Brad Montague

CreativeMornings | Nashville

FEATURED EVENTS/OPPORTUNITIES

The Kentucky Crafted Market 2024

Kentucky Arts Council

March 9 – 10

Atlanta Science Festival to be held March 9-23 across metro Atlanta

Decaturish

March 9 - 23

365: AIGA Year in Design

AIGA

Regular deadline: March 12, 2024 at 11:59 p.m. ET

Final deadline: April 22, 2024 at 11:59 p.m. ET

50 Books | 50 Covers

AIGA

Regular deadline: March 12, 2024 at 11:59 p.m. ET
Final deadline: April 22, 2024 at 11:59 p.m. ET (late fees apply)

The 2024 Doodle for Google Theme Is: My wish for the next twenty-five years
Google

Deadline: March 14

RESEARCH GRANTS IN THE ARTS: Program Description
National Endowment for the Arts

Deadline: March 25

Nominations Now Open for 2024-2025 NAE Awards and Prizes
National Academy of Engineering

Deadline: April 1

Cultural and Creative Ecosystems: Governance and Innovation Models
Creativity World Forum 2024

April 15 – 17 | Bilbao

2024 World Creativity and Innovation Week/Day
World Creativity and Innovation Week

April 15 – 21 | The Week

April 21 | The Day

An Odyssey of Creativity as a Force of Social Transformation
The Canadian Network for Imagination and Creativity

April 19 – 20

YAAS 2024 | Young Artists and Authors Showcase
Sister Cities International

Deadline: May 1

3M Young Scientist Challenge
3M and Discover Education

Deadline: May 2

NPR's Student Podcast Challenge is back – with a fourth-grade edition!
Student Podcast Challenge | NPR

Deadline: May 3

All Americas Summit
Sister Cities International

May 28 - 31

Where Humanity Meets Technology | Inventures 2024
Alberta Innovates, Yahoo! Finance

May 29 - 31

The 9th International Invention Innovation Competition in Canada, iCAN 2024
Toronto International Society of Innovation & Advanced Skills

Deadline: June 15

Call for Articles | General Issue

European Journal of Cultural Management and Policy | ENCATC

Deadline: Ongoing

Twenty-Four Smithsonian Shows to See in 2024

At the Smithsonian | Smithsonian Magazine

Various

Idea Jams 2021/2022

Canadian Network for Imagination and Creativity

Series

CreativeMornings | a monthly breakfast lecture series

CreativeMornings

Various

Nesta Talks to...

Nesta

Various

Interactive Map | Science Festivals

Science Festival Alliance

Various

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

International Women's Day | March 8

UNESCO

Also

How UNESCO Literacy Prizes laureates are advancing women's education

UNESCO

International Women's Day 2024

Google Doodles

House Committee Unanimously Passes Bill To Force ByteDance To Divest TikTok Or Face Ban — Update

Deadline

Meet the woman who helped libraries across the U.S. 'surf the internet'

Technology | NPR

Emerging Tech Can Promote Creativity and Expand Culture

IDEO Thinking

Voyager 1, First Craft in Interstellar Space, May Have Gone Dark

The New York Times

Women have contributed to the future of AI for decades. Our recognition is long overdue

Fast Company

The Brain Prize Winners 2024

Lundbeck Foundation

Stanford professors share 5 friction-busting mindset shifts to fast-track productivity

Fast Company

China promises more money for science in 2024

Nature

Open creativity: Increased creativity due to network relationships

EurekaAlert! | AAAS

“This MIT Bootcamp shook everything upside down and has given me the spirit of innovation”

MIT News

Household Size Shapes Child Language Development

Neuroscience News

Can you tell real people and AI-generated ones apart?

Mathematics | University of Waterloo

Future Of Human Rights In The Age Of AI

Forbes

Art Requires Human Input, DC Circ. Told In AI Copyright Row

Law360

Researchers enhance peripheral vision in AI models

MIT News

What makes birds so smart?

Phys.org

AI art and human creativity

Phys.org

Arts take center stage at Faculty Senate

Stanford Report | Stanford University

7 Techniques To Maintain Your Creativity At Work In The Age Of AI

Forbes

7 Myths and Misconceptions About Coffee

WIRED

Have You Heard The One About The Mathematician...

Discover Magazine

Could AI Surpass the Cognitive and Computing Power of Humanity?

Flipboard

The invention of the gifted child

Big Think

The Forgotten Sisters Behind ‘Happy Birthday to You’

History | Smithsonian Magazine

Scientists Taught Pet Parrots to Video Call Each Other—and the Birds Loved It

Smart News | Smithsonian Magazine

Want to go beyond great? Get a mentor | Felipe Zamana

LinkedIn

Why scientists trust AI too much — and what to do about it

Editorial | Nature

Google will beat even OpenAI in the AI game, Kara Swisher says

Quartz

Will these reprogrammed elephant cells ever make a mammoth?

Nature

NASA makes grant awards in program to increase diversity in the STEM fields and its workforce

Federal News Network

Why Gen Z is obsessed with point-and-shoot digital cameras

Fast Company

Why designing for change is a lot like cooking

Fast Company

Where are you?

Seth's Blog

Mass MoCA union members go on strike as museum management holds to its latest offer

The Berkshire Eagle

WBUR leader warns of possible layoffs, hiring freeze for Boston's NPR station: 'We'll likely need to make some tough choices'

Boston Herald

Keller high school backtracks, students will perform 'The Laramie Project'

The Dallas Morning News

Critique of Artificial Reason

The Baffler

Europe Is Breaking Open the Empires of Big Tech

WIRED

Can the Arts Fortify State Economies in Times of Financial Crisis? Yes, Apparently

Measure for Measure | National Endowment for the Arts

Who Invented Coffee?

Mental Floss

Larry Summers on What Went Wrong on Campus

Persuasion

US poet laureate Ada Limón to launch book and parks project 'You Are Here'

The Washington Post

Women in senior tech roles are adopting generative AI at higher rates than men

Fast Company

NASA used this material to catch comet dust. Now it's being used for a luxury handbag

Co. Design | Fast Company

Generative AI: UNESCO study reveals alarming evidence of regressive gender stereotypes

UNESCO

Graceful

Seth's Blog

Are You Caught in a Social Media Trap?

Freakonomics

Montreal's 'Just for Laughs' comedy festival cancels this year's edition, seeks to avoid bankruptcy

AP News

Chicago's cultural leadership still in flux as city braces for start of festival season

WBEZ Chicago

Why Voting in The Oscars (and in Politics) Is Broken, and How to Fix Both

Literary Hub

How Netflix survived the streaming wars to stay the subscription video king

Los Angeles Times

Theatre, film and music support in Budget welcomed as 'game-changing'

BBC

Rediscovering The Black Roots of Betty Boop: Esther Jones' Legacy

Hyfin

World's heaviest ball of twine has permanent home in Wisconsin

Wisconsin Public Radio

What Physicists Have Been Missing

Nautilus

Pritzker Prize 2024: Japanese housing pioneer Riken Yamamoto wins 'Nobel of architecture'

CNN

Also

Riken Yamamoto, who designs dignity and elegance into daily life, wins Pritzker Prize

All Things Considered | NPR

An Architect Who Builds Community Wins the Pritzker Prize

The New York Times

Guy Kawasaki explains why just chasing 'Eureka' moments is doing it wrong

Fast Company

John Williams Faces His Legacy: 54 Oscar Noms, 'Star Wars' Mistakes and Changing the Movies Forever

Variety

Commentary – New Book on Rural America Started with a False Conclusion, Then Looked for Evidence

The Daily Yonder

Brown University Will Reinstate Standardized Tests for Admission

The New York Times

She Boxes. She Conducts. She Delights in Defying Stereotypes.

The New York Times

This recycling robot is saving millions of bottles from the landfill

Fast Company

Meet the 27-year-old woman running an electric plane startup

Fast Company

A big shift awaits the housing market: 9 million boomers to sell their homes by 2035

Fast Company

Move over Amazon Prime: Target just launched its own paid membership program with delivery

Co.Design | Fast Company

'The Harlem Renaissance' and what is Black art for?

It's Been A Minute | NPR

Massachusetts library holds 'March Meowness' forgiving library fines for pictures of your cats

Upworthy

7 things Black people want their well-meaning white friends to know

Upworthy

I found inspiration in India.

Gates Notes

Your Brain in the Zone: A New Neuroimaging Study Reveals How the Brain Achieves a Creative Flow State

The Creativity Post

RuPaul Is Sending a Rainbow Bus to Give Away Books Targeted by Bans

The New York Times

Millions of research papers at risk of disappearing from the Internet

Nature

In Israel, a 3,000-Year-Old Purple Factory

The New York Times

Apple hit with first-ever EU fine following Spotify complaint

The Verge

Library cuts and teachers quitting: Texas's takeover of Houston schools

The Guardian

Canaries in the coal mine: is the art world facing a rising tide of censorship?

The Art Newspaper

What happened when the Chicago Sun-Times freed the news

Nieman Lab

The Nooks and Crannies of Amsterdam Are a Canvas for Frankey's Playful Interventions

Colossal

How Generative AI is changing divergent thinking in the Classroom with Dr. Todd Lobart

Fueling Creativity in Education Podcast

Bob Moses Preached The Power Of Math

Forbes

Why AI Struggles with Basic Math (and How That's Changing)

American Enterprise Institute

Lindsay Acree: Unlocking a world of creativity

New York 1

The Hesitant Evolver: Accepting AI as a Transformative Force

Forbes

Your Brain in the Zone: A New Neuroimaging Study Reveals How the Brain Achieves a Creative Flow State

Drexel News | Drexel University

Exposure to different kinds of music influences how the brain interprets rhythm

MIT News

Yes, remote learning can work for preschoolers

MIT Technology Review

How Wasabi Can Help Preserve Ancient Papyrus

Smart News | Smithsonian Magazine

Listen to three breathtaking NASA images

Popular Science

On building a cathedral

Seth's Blog

Smithsonian American Women's History Museum Focuses on Forgotten Figures

The New York Times

San Francisco Art Institute Headquarters Sold to Group Led by Laurene Powell Jobs

The New York Times

In a first, fetal cell organoids generated from amniotic fluid, new study reports

STAT

Why neurodiversification is more important than hiring workers based on cultural fit

Fast Company

It's Not Clear What Innovation Success Is

Human-Centered Change and Innovation

The positive auction

Seth's Blog

Deadlines: Debunking the Dawdler's Dilemma

The Naked Creative | Psychology Today

Apple hit with nearly \$2 billion E.U. fine for 'abusing' app store

The Washington Post

Are TikTok and Instagram dulling your taste?

Los Angeles Times

What Will Happen to My Music Library When Spotify Dies?

The Atlantic

"Artificial Intelligence" Is Neither Artificial Nor Intelligent

3 Quarks Daily

How art and literature can help us rethink our problems with sleep

The Conversation

Beware of the Newsroom-Destroying "Answer Engine"

The Walrus

10 Black Pioneers in A.I. Featured In Time Magazine's Time100 A.I.

Hyfin

From Recycled Motors and Discarded Metals, Edouard Martinet Imagines Meticulously Detailed Wildlife

Colossal

How universities killed the academic Flamboyant brilliance has been purged

Unherd

How the Story Turns Out: A conversation with Edwin Frank

Pointe Magazine

UNESCO's Quest to Save the World's Intangible Heritage

The New Yorker

Rare eleventh-century astrolabe discovery reveals Islamic–Jewish scientific exchange

Phys.org

Laurie Halloran, longtime life sciences leader, dies at 63

Bizwomen

How Innovators Are Fighting To Achieve Gender Equality

Forbes

TECH TALK: Unleashing creativity - The power of Creator Tech

The Berkshire Edge

6 Innovation Books CEOs Should Check Out in 2024

Inc.com

Why this math professor encourages students and friends to play Tetris

Fast Company

AI chatbots can apparently get better at math for the strangest reason

Quartz

Deploying AI For Profit Or Humanity: Why Not Both?

Forbes

Artificial intelligence as a tool for creativity

Journal of Creativity, Science Direct

Is AI More Creative Than Humans?

Psychology Today

Unleashing Creativity with AI: A Guide to Generating Art and Images with ChatGPT

PC-Tablet

How AI Can Transform Brainstorming

The Digital Self | Psychology Today

Fox-Disney-Warner Bros. Discovery Sports Bundle Expected to Hit 5 Million Subscribers in Five Years, Says CEO Lachlan Murdoch

Variety

Local event inspires Atlanta high school girls to pursue STEM careers and live healthy lives

American Heart Association Newsroom

Indigenous students face disparities in STEM

Open Access Government

This Is What Your Brain Does When You're Not Doing Anything

WIRED

Google DeepMind's new generative model makes Super Mario-like games from scratch

MIT Technology Review

The Intersection of Traditional Art and Digital Innovation in the Metaverse

Cryptopolitan

Washers and dryers will soon be a lot more efficient—and save consumers billions

Fast Company

Change the World One Shared Purpose at a Time
Human-Centered Change and Innovation

Becoming intentional about virtual meetings
Seth's Blog

How to Have Great Conversations
People I (Mostly) Admire | Freakonomics

Bowling Alleys (Replay)
The Economics of Everyday Things | Freakonomics

How Jane Austen Changed Fiction Forever
Open Culture

Scandal over AI-generated nudes at Beverly Hills middle school exposes gaps in law
Los Angeles Times

Google cuts team of contractors who went on strike
The Verge

The enduring story for Underground Railroad Quilts
Weekend Edition Sunday | NPR

Miles Davis and the Recording of a Jazz Masterpiece
Esquire

Folklore is philosophy
Aeon Essays

The perils of a 'wake-centric' world
To The Best Of Our Knowledge | Wisconsin Public Radio

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The **National Creativity Network** believes that by fostering creativity in our society as a whole, and specifically with future generations, America can remain a leader in innovation and free enterprise. The very future of our communities and institutions depends on our ability to nurture and harness imagination to creatively solve problems. If creativity is to be nurtured, systems, institutions and networks must be transformed.

The opportunities that emerge to transform our nation are largely dependent upon the degree to which we are connected to each other. Our connection will become a catalyst:

- to enhance the flow of relevant information,
- and to improve the ease with which key nodes of creativity, be they in the domains of Education, Commerce, Culture or across disciplines, can gain access to the best thinking, best questions, and most successful practices as well as other resources their ventures may require.

Our strategy is to engage thought leaders across North America to create a powerful network for transformation.

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