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new mexico art education association

Dear School Administrator:

The New Mexico Art Education Association shares your vision for ensuring your students receive the best possible education and that your faculty possesses a deep knowledge and understanding of teaching and learning.

We are excited to announce this year's fully online, virtual fall conference, **Teacher-Artist-Leader**, will be held **October 23-24, 2020**. This professional development experience offers a comprehensive professional learning opportunity.

On behalf of your art education faculty, I encourage you to support their participation in this conference. No travel will be required for this event, which takes place on a Friday afternoon and Saturday. Early bird registration fees are only \$25 for members and \$50 for non-members, payable by school purchase order emailed to our treasurer. (Please contact our Membership Director to cross reference your list of art educators with our membership roster: membership@newmexicoarteducators.org.)

Art educators from schools, museums, community organizations, and institutions of higher education serving students in grades PreK-20 will convene in order to share the common goal of advancing art education for the benefit of learners across New Mexico.

Conference opportunities include . . .

- engaging with the current work of prominent contemporary New Mexico artists,
- interacting with inspiring speakers on the topics of leadership and equity,
- encountering novel and immediately useful art lessons and activities,
- making professional connections that will benefit students and teacher alike, and
- celebrating excellence with professional awards.

As educators, we know that in the context of the global pandemic, the arts are critically important for maintaining engagement of students while developing them socially, emotionally, artistically, and cognitively.

Additional conference details are posted on our website, <http://www.newmexicoarteducators.org/>

Feel free to contact me for further information at presidentelect@newmexicoarteducators.org or call me on my cell at 505-721-9371. I extend my appreciation to you for your leadership as we work together on a common vision of offering quality, comprehensive education to students in our state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Steve Heil'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Steve Heil
NMAEA President-elect