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**APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR
ARTS EDUCATION PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROVIDERS
TO BE INCLUDED IN ARTS FOR ALL
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORY
Deadline to apply is March 17**

The Los Angeles County Arts Commission is now accepting applications for the *Arts for All* Arts Education Professional Development Directory on LAArtsEd.org, *Arts for All's* online resource to support school districts and their community partners.

To improve quality and equitable student access to arts learning, *Arts for All* invites professional development providers that have high quality programming and the capacity to serve educators in Los Angeles County to apply for listing in the Professional Development Directory. To be listed on the site, individuals and organizations must submit an electronic application form, required supplemental materials, and be approved by a peer panel comprised of arts organizations, artists, educators and parents.

Before opening an application, prospective applicants should first read the program's guidelines. Both the guidelines and application are available at <http://pd.laartsed.org/Home/About>

All applications must be submitted electronically by March 17, 2010 using the online application.

Providers considering applying can learn more about the Professional Development Directory and how to apply at the Technical Assistance Workshop on February 22, 2010, 1:00 - 4:00pm. To view details and register for the workshop, visit <http://pddirectoryworkshop.eventbrite.com>

The searchable, online Professional Development Directory, due to be launched in June 2010, will provide centralized access to quality, local and national, peer reviewed arts education professional development that serves the needs of Los Angeles' diverse community of educators, inclusive of generalist teachers, arts specialists, teaching artists and school and arts administrators. Assistant superintendents will be able to find individuals and organizations that serve their professional development goals for increasing student achievement and improving instructional quality. Classroom teachers will be able to find professional learning communities

to join. Teaching artists will be able to find mentor programs that will deepen their capacity to serve the needs of students. To see the format of the Professional Development Directory, visit LAArtsEd.org.

Email artsforall@arts.lacounty.gov with questions about the directory.

The **Los Angeles County Arts Commission**, Laura Zucker, Executive Director, provides leadership in cultural services of all disciplines for the largest county in the United States, encompassing 88 municipalities. In addition to providing leadership and staffing to support the regional blueprint for arts education, *Arts for All*, the Arts Commission administers a grants program that funds more than 300 nonprofit arts organizations annually; oversees the County's Civic Art Program for capital projects; programs the John Anson Ford Theatres; funds the largest arts internship program in the country in conjunction with the Getty Foundation; and supports the Los Angeles County Cultural Calendar on ExperienceLA.com. The Commission also produces free community programs, including the L.A. Holiday Celebration broadcast nationally, and a year-round music program that funds more than 40 free concerts each year in public sites. The 2009-10 President of the Arts Commission is Araceli Ruano.

For more information please consult the Arts Commission online press kit:
<http://lacountyarts.org/page/pubnewspress>

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