



## At virtual Iowa Arts Summit, find something for virtually everyone

Next Friday, Aug. 7, you can participate in the [Iowa Arts Summit](#) for a full day of presentations, panel discussions and networking opportunities to strengthen communities through the arts.

But consider this: It's virtual, so you can tune in to just a single session – whatever catches your interest – and still get your money's worth. Registration is just \$15 in advance and \$20 on the day of the event.

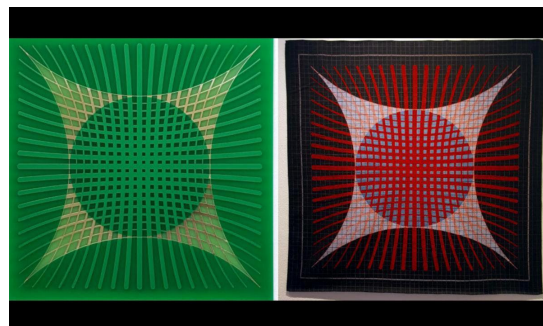
Here are just a few of the presenters (pictured from left):

- **Mary Anne Carter**, chairwoman of the [National Endowment for the Arts](#), with pre-recorded remarks on the NEA and Iowa Arts Council's efforts to help artists rebound during the pandemic.
- **Jay Dick**, senior director of state and local government affairs for [Americans for the Arts](#), on how to advocate for investments in the arts and arts education.
- **Linda Harrison**, executive director of the [Newark Museum of Art](#), on how museums can unify diverse communities and effect transformative change. ([Read more](#) on our blog.)
- **Adia Morris Swanger**, professional development and operations coordinator for [Springboard for the Arts](#), on business planning for artists.
- **Nina Simon**, co-founder of [OF/BY/FOR ALL](#) and former director of the [Santa Cruz Museum of Art and History](#), on using the pandemic's disruptions as an opportunity for long-term growth.

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**Governor's Arts Awards**



**Some Fun Stuff, Too**

Several remarkable lowans – two individuals, one organization and one community – will be honored for their extraordinary and lasting contributions to the arts in Iowa.

So who are they? Find out during the summit's lunch-hour [Governor's Arts Awards](#) Ceremony, with remarks from **Governor Kim Reynolds**.

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### In Her Own Words

"My experiences at the Iowa Arts Summit, as an artist and as the founder of a non-profit arts organization, remain profoundly beneficial. The summit ignited authentic connections with other like-minded artists – connections that grew into supportive artistic relationships that have yielded opportunities for funding and grants, the exchange of thoughtful critique and recommendations, and more. One connection even turned into a collaborative journey with an L.A.-based, Emmy Award-winning composer and a wonderful new relationship with one of Iowa's finest nonprofit arts organizations."

– **Akwi Nji**, multidisciplinary artist and member of the Iowa Arts Council Board

Remember: "Arts" is the Iowa Arts Summit's middle name, so you can expect some creativity. In the interactive Art Lounge, learn how Iowa Artist Fellow **Tibi Chelcea** creates textiles inspired by circuit boards (pictured). Over lunch, enjoy live music from **Calle Sur** and a "slightly" guided dance party with **Michelle Marie**. Then unwind during a virtual happy hour with music from Michelle Marie, plus artists **Jordan Brooks**, **Dawson Davenport**, **Jazmine Johnson** and **Jamie Malone**.



### Invite Your Friends and Colleagues

If you haven't signed up for the summit, well, [get to it](#) already! And if you have, invite your friends and colleagues so they don't miss out. Feel free to:

- Forward this newsletter.
- Pass along a link to the [Iowa Arts Summit webpage](#).
- Share the [Iowa Arts Summit preview video](#) on social media.

Thanks for spreading the word!

SEE THE VIDEO

## Coming Up

Note that some of the following events may be canceled or postponed. Please check online for updates.

### Grant Opportunities

Aug. 1: [American-Scandinavian Foundation Grants](#)

Aug. 25: [Innovate Grant Summer Cycle](#)

### Calls for Artists

July 31: [1% for Art, Nebraska Arts Council](#)

July 31: [Holiday Thieves Market 2020](#)

July 31: [Inspiration from Isolation](#)

July 31: [Global Meltdown](#)

Aug. 1: [FAKfulness Art Magazine](#)

Aug. 12: [Imagine Iowa Great Lakes](#)

Aug. 17: [Touchstone Gallery](#)

Aug. 31: [A Show of Heads](#)

Aug. 31: [Create! Magazine Issue #23](#)

Aug. 31: [Momentum: Works of Growth and Recovery](#)

Aug. 31: [Writing a New World](#)

Sept. 12: [Iowa Dance Festival 2020](#)

Oct. 7: [Embracing Our Differences](#)  
Dec. 1: [The Painting Center](#)  
Dec. 31: ["How's the weather here there?"](#)

**Art & Culture Jobs**

July 31: [Mount Ayr Community Schools Art Teacher](#)  
Ongoing: [Folk Art Education Coordinator at the Vesterheim](#)

**Iowa Arts Council Events**

Aug. 7: [Iowa Arts Summit 2020](#)

**Professional Development**

Aug. 4: [Pandemic Response for Performing Arts Organizations](#)  
Sept. 12: [Iowa Dance Festival 2020](#)  
Sept. 24-26: [SEADAE 2020 National Conference](#)  
Oct. 26: [World Alliance for Arts Education Virtual Seminar](#)  
Nov. 18: [2020 National Guild for Community Arts Education Conference](#)

**Student Opportunities**

Oct. 7: [Embracing Our Differences](#)  
Dec. 31: [#CreateBecauseWeCare](#)

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