



## Arts Education Weekly News Blast

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### **Classroom Resources**



***TED Ed Presents: Stories of Who We Are with Awele Makeba***

Dive deeply into stories from the American Civil Rights movement with storyteller and educator Awele Makeba. She shares how powerful family stories, told to her by her father, shaped her identity as she found her path in life. Makeba stresses the

importance of telling stories as a way to remember the past and reclaim the future.

[Who We Are](#)

***Kennedy Center ArtsEdge: Children of War***

Using theatre as the basis for understanding how war affects children, this ArtsEdge lesson plan examines community and determination in times of conflict. Students will examine elements of the Holocaust, Japanese internment, and the conflicts in Northern Ireland by examining specific children who lived during times of conflict. For example, they can learn about Gemma McHenry from Northern Ireland, Zlata Filipovic from Bosnia, or Louise Ogawa from the Japanese internment camps in America. Suitable for students in grades 5-8. [Children of War](#)



### **Upcoming Events**



### **Electronic Music Competition**

The National Association for Music Education is sponsoring an electronic music competition for students in grades kindergarten through college. Adjudicators will judge entries based on both aesthetic and electronic components. Awards will be given in three categories: K-8, 9-12, and college. Winning schools will receive a one-year free subscription to Soundnation4Education, an online sequencing program.

[Competition registration](#)

**Deadline to submit:** April 1, 2017

### **March is Theatre in Our Schools Month**

Sponsored by the American Alliance for Theatre & Education, The International Thespian Society and Educational Theatre Association, this event raises awareness in schools about the importance and relevance of theatre education. Theatre in Our Schools (TIOS) includes month-long events, programming, and celebrations focusing on theatre. You can sign up to participate in TIOS or get resources in order to spread awareness about the importance of theatre with colleagues, by visiting the [TIOS](#) website.



## **National Association for Music Education**

Like many national organizations dedicated to improving arts education, the National Association for Music Education (NAfME) is a clearinghouse for new ideas, resources, and professional support for music educators. Among the special programs offered by the organization is [Black History Month](#), [Jazz History Month](#), [NAfME Academy](#), and the [US Army All-American Band](#).

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