

About ARTSEdge

Through the creative use of technology, **ARTSEdge** designs and delivers arts-integrated, standards-based teaching materials and immersive, media-rich interactive arts experiences that enhance the K-12 educational environment and promote an interest in the arts at home. **ARTSEdge** supports an understanding and appreciation for the arts for teachers, parents and students whether in the classroom or in an informal learning environment, such as the home or in community settings.

Using ARTSEdge

From the Thinkfinity.org homepage, click on the Partner site logo, or type artsedge.kennedy-center.org in the address line of your Web browser.

The numbered list below corresponds to the screenshot on the right showing the features of the homepage.

- ① Visit **ARTSEdge**, for arts resources that can be used by educators, families, and students as well as others interested in learning about the arts.
- ② Search **ARTSEdge** resources by content type and arts subject.
- ③ Explore the **EDUCATORS** section for Lesson Plans, How-To's that help bring the arts into the classroom and the National Standards for Art Education.
- ④ Visit the **FAMILIES** section for resources that can be used at school, at home, and while engaging in arts activities within the community.
- ⑤ Use the **STUDENTS** section to find activities offered at the Kennedy Center, Special Interest Features, and creative tools and resources.
- ⑥ Examine various arts topics by **THEMES**. Filter the collection by art form, place, time or category.
- ⑦ Discover the rich collection of **MULTIMEDIA** including interactives, media-rich activities to help teachers, families and students discover the world of the arts, in both integrated and "arts for art's sake" approaches.
- ⑧ **Email** the selected resource to yourself or a friend, **print** the information, or **share** it via a favorite Web 2.0 tool.
- ⑨ Review exciting events that have occurred in the arts by visiting **THE Day IN THE ARTS**. Search a specific day in the arts using the date finder option called, "**SEE ALL DAYS IN THE ARTS**."
- ⑩ Create a **MY ARTSEdge** account to share ideas and lessons with others in this special arts community.
- ⑪ Quickly locate resources by clicking on any of the key words in the **Tag Cloud**.
- ⑫ Visit the Verizon **Thinkfinity** Web site.
- ⑬ Read **ABOUT US** to learn more about **ARTSEdge**.
- ⑭ Access and discuss various **Arts Quotes** with students, family members and others. This feature is also available through the **FAMILIES** portal.
- ⑮ **CONNECT WITH US!** Use your favorite social networking sites to connect and stay current with **ARTSEdge** or to send us feedback or questions.

The screenshot shows the ARTSEdge homepage with the following features highlighted by numbered callouts:

- ① The ARTSEdge logo and tagline "CONNECT. CREATE."
- ② The search bar with the placeholder text "Enter search text"
- ③ The "EDUCATORS" tab in the navigation menu, which includes sub-links for "Lessons", "How To's", and "Standards"
- ④ The "FAMILIES" tab in the navigation menu
- ⑤ The "STUDENTS" tab in the navigation menu
- ⑥ The "THEMES" tab in the navigation menu
- ⑦ The "MULTIMEDIA" tab in the navigation menu
- ⑧ The "EMAIL", "PRINT", "SHARE", and "TEXT" buttons for sharing resources
- ⑨ The "THE DAY IN THE ARTS" section, featuring a calendar for November 11th and a featured event: "1922: 'A Zany But Moral Mad Scientist' Kurt Vonnegut is born in Indianapolis, Indiana read more"
- ⑩ The "MY ARTSEdge" section with the text "A new place to save & share lessons"
- ⑪ The "MOST POPULAR TAGS" section, including tags like "America Dance Education History Innovators & Pioneers Jobs in the Arts Literature Movies & Movie Stars Music Musical Instruments Popular Culture Science Theater Visual Arts World Cultures"
- ⑫ The "There's a Better Way to Learn." banner with the Thinkfinity and Verizon logos
- ⑬ The "ABOUT US" section, including links for "About the New Site", "About Thinkfinity", "Thinkfinity Connections", and "About Us"
- ⑭ The "THEMES" section, including links for "MULTIMEDIA", "Arts Days", "Arts Quotes", "Everyday Challenge", "Student Polls & Surveys", and "Arts Quotes"
- ⑮ The footer section, including the "CONNECT WITH US!" links for "EMAIL US", "FACEBOOK", "ITUNES", "FEEDBACK", and "MORE!"