

Enrolled
House Bill 3042

Sponsored by Representative BOONE, Senator JOHNSON (at the request of Hayley Rollins)

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to a day to celebrate the arts.

Whereas art education should not be an elective in Oregon schools, but a necessity; and

Whereas students should be encouraged to take art classes at all levels, from preschool to college; and

Whereas art education may assist in brain development through techniques that highlight hand-eye coordination, mixing colors, layering and sequencing; and

Whereas children who are well-grounded in the arts tend to be strong in other subjects as well, and achieve many successes in life academically, spiritually, socially and creatively; and

Whereas the fast-paced nature of modern life makes it difficult to take time to nurture creativity, express and explore emotions and engage in nonlinear thinking to create new ideas; and

Whereas Oregon should continue to support and fund art education and make such education an integral part of school; and

Whereas a day to celebrate art and artists would give Oregonians the opportunity to explore personal expression, to be educated about art history, theory, technique and practice and to be exposed to living and working artists of this state and of the world; and

Whereas in schools, students and teachers could celebrate by working in different art media and connecting with local artists; and

Whereas outside of schools, Oregonians could celebrate by working together to incorporate art into their communities through murals, sculptures, community gardens and other art projects; now, therefore,

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. April 14 of each year is designated as Honorary Artists of Oregon Day to celebrate art and artists, to promote art education in this state and to encourage engagement in artistic endeavors.



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Timothy G. Sekerak, Chief Clerk of House

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Tina Kotek, Speaker of House

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Peter Courtney, President of Senate

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Kate Brown, Governor

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Jeanne P. Atkins, Secretary of State