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Message from the Executive Director

Reuse, refurbish, and recycle are terms used to describe organizations that are “green” and friendly to the environment. ArtsTech is considered a “green” organization because all decisions about art and computers are based getting extended life out of our products, where they will be most beneficial, and how we can keep from throwing something in the trash. We look at what we do and what we use as valuable and know it’s worth searching for a positive new usage opportunity. ArtsTech, through rebates, grants, and donations, has installed energy-saving lights throughout the building. We are also considering solar panels as our next energy-saving improvement.



Artists are known to be some of the best recyclers on earth. However, what being “green” really means to our staff, Board of Directors, partners, and patrons is that we reclaim disenfranchised, marginalized and damaged youth in order to reuse their talents and skills, refurbish their minds and hearts, and recycle their hopes and dreams. Rekindling their spirit with love, compassion, hard work, and time is what we do. Every young person should get a second chance to go “green” with their education and, more importantly, their lives. The young people we serve are willing to pick themselves off the proverbial scrap heap and try again for the American dream. If many of us are willing to “save the planet,” then all of us should help save our young people. Let’s go “green” everywhere!

~ Dave Sullivan

CRP/Tech Services

ArtsTech offers our customers computer repair and trouble shooting services for non-warranty PC’s. Onsite and in-house repair service is available.

For more information on tech services or to donate working PIV or higher computers, contact Alex Villasenor, 816-461-0201, ext. 305, avillasenor@artstech-kc.org or visit our website at www.artstech-kc.org



Would you like to donate to ArtsTech?

Donate safely through



or



Donations can also be made by check or credit card payable to ArtsTech.

GED, Credit Recovery, Education & Life Skills Program

ArtsTech offers an Education Life Skills Program also know as Dropout Recovery to young adults ages 16-21 years. Youth can earn their GED or high school credits towards their diploma.

ENROLL NOW!!!

Requirements:

- *Ages 16-21
- *Out of school
- *Meet FEC's guidelines

For additional information, please contact:

Brittnee Shockley
 Dropout Recovery Instructor
 (816) 461-0201, ext. 313 – Office
 (816) 461-0210 - Fax
 Email: bshockley@artstech-kc.org



- GED Instruction
- Credit Recovery
- Life Skills
- Tutoring
- Adult Mentoring
- Study Skills Training
- Occupational Skill Training
- Supportive Services
- Leadership Development
- Work Experience/Internships
- Dropout Prevention
- Alternative Secondary School Services
- Comprehensive Guidance & Counseling
- Art Instruction
- Computer Repair Training
- Community Service
- Financial Literacy
- Follow up Services

This program is in partnership with the Full Employment Council (FEC).

*“ArtsTech,
 A place where youth
 design their future”*

Congratulations to ArtsTech!

Recognized for achieving the "HIGH Level" of engagement in year one as part of the United Way Quality Matters program. Special Thanks to our Francis Institute coach, Tiffany Green!



Education/Life Skills Program

To Apply Contact:
 Arts Tech
 1522 Holmes Street
 Kansas City, MO 64108
 816-461-0201
www.artstech.org

Or apply at one of these Full Employment Council Locations:

The Oaks
 1722 E. 176th Terrace
 Kansas City, MO 64108
 816-471-0201 ext. 1223
www.fec.org

South Kansas City
 4811 N. Langston Rd.
 Kansas City, MO 64120
 816-966-0201 ext. 4376

Northland
 3050 NE 23rd St. Suite 2000
 Kansas City, MO 64119
 816-459-9707 ext. 2206

The Program will be held at the:
 Arts Tech Facility
 1522 Holmes Street
 Kansas City, MO. 64108
 (816) 461-0201

What is the program?

- Credit recovery program provided to teach students basic literary skills and recover and credits to obtain a high school diploma or GED.
- Students will learn fine arts and participate in creative projects.
- Blended instruction consisting of direct and online/individual instruction.
- Must be 16-21, meet income requirements and have a barrier to employment.
- Eligibility completed by FEC
- Tuition Scholarship
- Summer Internship

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The Gallery at ArtsTech

The Gallery



Looking for event space?

The Gallery has become a popular location with it's 7,300 square feet of loft style rental space. This versatile space used for multiple types of events

such as weddings, receptions, graduations, parties, fashion shows, art events, award ceremonies, poetry readings, fundraisers, luncheons, meetings, theatrical performances, art, physical education and dance classes.

Call 816-461-0201, or go online at www.artstech-kc.org, for more information,

or set up an appointment to view the space for your next event!



~MyARTS~



Locations:

315 N. Main St
Independence, MO
and
1522 Holmes St.,
Kansas City, MO

The MyARTS Program is an art entrepreneurial program for youth ages 15 – 19. The youth begin as an unpaid apprentice, in which each youth may either complete a foundations curriculum designed by the MyARTS staff, or work directly in one of our studios. During the apprenticeship program, the youth will be provided with services that fit their needs, i.e. educational services, socialization and life skills training, entrepreneurial training, substance abuse treatment, housing, family functioning, special recreational interests, etc. Youth may also be offered a part-time paid position in one of our studios working 9 hours per week, in one of the following studios:

MyARTS Downtown

Visual Arts Studio – creation of murals, fine art paintings, jewelry, accessories, drawings and illustrations.

Ceramics – facilities to promote the creation of clay-based products and the ability to dry, glaze, and fire products.

Graphic Design Studio – using up-to-date equipment to create products and offer services to clients including commercial art and technology or graphic arts services (layout and design of books, magazines, newsletters, resumes, etc.).

MyARTS East

Visual Arts Studio – creation of murals, fine art paintings, jewelry, accessories, drawings and illustrations.

Screen Printing Studio – printing on paper or fabric using traditional or photo techniques. The young artists learn on a manual printer.

Ceramics – facilities to promote the creation of clay-based products and the ability to dry, glaze, and fire products

Photo Darkroom Studio – analog (chemical-based developing) and digital (computer-based developing) equipped studio with capability to develop negatives, photographs, and photo emulsion silk screens.

Graphic Design Studio – using up-to-date equipment to create products and offer services to clients including commercial art and technology or graphic arts services (layout and design of books, magazines, newsletters, resumes, etc.).

Adult/Child Screen Printing Workshop

**Saturday, May 25, 2013
3:30PM**

**MyARTS East
315 N. Main Street
Independence, MO 64050**

**\$25 for 1 adult and 1 child
\$5 for each additional child**

**For more information call,
816-254-4790**

www.myartskc.org

**each family will take away with matching shirts*

Creative Connections Mentoring Program

5 Things to Know about Creative Connections

1. Mentors and mentees do not need to be artists – or even artistic – to participate.
2. Mentors and mentees have once-a-month opportunities to participate together in a creative workshop. Creative Connections thinks this builds relationships and trust.
3. Make the time to be a mentor: call your mentee once a week, get a bite to eat or go to the park once a month, and come to Creative Workshop once a month. Doing those things consistently will add up to making a big difference in the life of an urban youth with a disability for a short amount of time.
4. The application process is long – but the mentees are youth and Creative Connections cares about them.
5. Creative Connections wants to make sure all mentors will follow-through and set a great example for the mentees.



For more information about this program, visit our website at www.creativeconnections-kc.org or call 816-461-0201, ext. 308.

Creative Connections values partnerships; our work is done through partnerships with Art-sTech, Jackson County Family Court, Storytellers Inc, OJJDP, BlueScope, ArtsKC, and UMKC Institute for Human Development.





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A Center for Youth Enterprise

ArtsTech's Mission is to better the lives of under-served urban youth through the development of marketable artistic and technical skills.

ArtsTech is a public/private collaborative venture that offers young people and the community an opportunity to advance their artistic and technological skills in an entrepreneurial business environment.

ArtsTech is the only youth-serving business in the Arts Crossroads District. Having a presence in the heart of the art and business district is an enormous asset and also indicates to our young people that they too can participate in Kansas City's renaissance.



Tips from 106 Greenway

BOMA: Top 10 Efficiency Tactics for Commercial Buildings (by [Linda Hardesty](#), Energy Manger Today)

The Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) International has issued a list of top-10 ways commercial real estate professionals can make energy efficiency and sustainability a priority, as follows:

1. Measure and Manage. Benchmark energy and water consumption through Energy Star Portfolio Manager.
2. Audit Yourself. Perform regular energy audits to identify opportunities for cost-effective energy reductions. Remember to perform midnight evaluations to make sure lighting and HVAC aren't running when the building is unoccupied.
3. Get the Word Out. Institute a tenant energy awareness program, using your company newsletter and/or building announcements to keep tenants informed about energy management goals and how they can help. Provide them with energy savings tips.
4. Become Enlightened. Replace incandescent lights with CFLs, which use less energy, have a longer lamp life and produce less heat.
5. Go Low Flow. [Install](#) low-flow/flush fixtures and hands-free fixtures in restrooms.
6. Don't Forget Electronics. Hold an e-waste day and collect old printers, computers and electronics for recycling.

7. Use Sensors. Install occupancy sensors and photo sensors that monitor daylight. Occupancy sensors also work for HVAC controls.
8. Be Shady. Install [solar shades](#) to block heat.
9. Encourage Eco-Friendly Transportation. Install [bicycle racks](#) and electronic vehicle chargers.
10. Improve IAQ. Use high-efficiency HVAC filters and change them often. Use low-VOC paints, sealants and adhesives for building improvements.



Although BOMA International recommends energy benchmarking, the [BOMA Boston branch opposes Mayor Menino's efforts to require mandatory benchmarking](#) in Boston using Energy Star's Portfolio Manager. A spokeswoman for BOMA International said, "BOMA International fully supports voluntary benchmarking and actively promotes it, as evidenced by our numerous Energy Star awards. The City of Boston, however, is proposing mandatory benchmarking and reporting."

BOMA's top-10 list mentions CFLs, but not LEDs, as replacements for incandescents. But a Department of Energy Caliper report says that in a test [comparing 24 pairs of fluorescent and LED-based ceiling troffers](#), generally the LED lighting was more energy efficient than the fluorescent. However, some energy managers say the return on investment for LEDs still isn't as good as for CFLs.

For more information on energy audits, contact Donna Sanders at 816-842-7546 or visit the website at www.106greenway.com. Follow on twitter @106greenway.

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