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Dear Elected Officers and IDEA members

A second President's Update hot on the heels of the one on May 1. There is more important news to share with you.

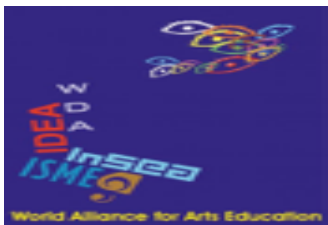
World Alliance for Arts Education WAAE Summit Beijing December

After significant and protracted negotiations since December 2014 I can now share with you an invitation to IDEA members to participate in the next WAAE Summit. Here is the text of the invitation .

You will find details on the IDEA web site:

<http://www.ideadrama.org/new-page-4/>

Time is short for applying to participate.



Dear Arts Educators,

We are very glad to announce the 6th World Summit of the World Alliance for Arts Education and first world arts education summit to be held in Mainland China on **December 3rd to 6th of**

2016, co-hosted by UNESCO member organizations forming the World Alliance for Arts Education (WAAE,) Beijing Board of Education (BBE), Ministry of Education (MOE) of China, and E-Platform International Science and Technology (EPI).

Arts Education for Sustainable Development is the theme of the summit. We aim to build international partnerships that will support world-wide arts educator's engagement in China. We also aim to advance the role of arts education within the 21st century. The focus of the summit aligns with the over-arching goals initiated by UNESCO for the post 2015 agenda.

This unique summit will profile arts education in China and also global arts education. The summit, supported by the Chinese Government, will provide a showcase for demonstrating and exchanging arts education pedagogies that promote public arts education. As an example, the summit will include academic presentations (in Chinese and English), classroom observations, school tours and a partnership day.

The summit will gather many leading k-12 schools and higher education institutes across China and member organizations of WAAE (InSEA, WDA, IDEA, ISME). The summit will be held in the prestigious arts school, Beijing Thirty Five High School or Beijing Normal University. Here, in Beijing, we will present Chinese traditional arts performances and teaching workshops profiling traditional and current pedagogies for engaging in arts education study and exchange. The Chinese government will invite China's leading arts schools and institutes to participate in the summit with a vision for building partnerships with international participants

During the summit, the Beijing Arts Education for Sustainable Initiative will be drafted and signed, fostering a commitment to international collaboration.

On behalf of the Beijing Board of Education (BBE) and WAAE we will be accepting up to 100 international arts education scholars and practitioners to register and participate in the summit. There is limited space and hence we will accept the first 100 registrations.

A call for peer academic papers and workshops:

- Deadline for proposals: June 15
- Notification of acceptance: July 15
- Early registration: August 15
- Final registration: November 15

Proposals should include a title, names of authors (and professional affiliation), a 500 word abstract and a statement of technological needs **sent to Dequan Li by June 15, 2016**.

The accepted paper may publish in the local journal and the summit report will submit to UNESCO.

Please contact Dequan Li, lideuan@epi.org.cn for registration details. Attached is a registration form.

Upon completion and return of the registration form, an official invitation letter will issue to the registrants for applying visa.

Regards

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Registration form on the IDEA website - [http://](http://www.ideadrama.org/new-page-4/)

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Call for volunteers to fill vacant positions

IDEA Elected Officers Vacancies

One of the unforeseen consequences of the postponement of the IDEA Congress from July 2016 is that rather than Elected Officers positions running for 3 years, they now run for 4 years - until the next Congress and General Council Meeting.

Elections can only be held at General Council Meetings.

But we can in the interim call for volunteers to fill the vacant positions on an interim basis until the General Council Meeting. a number of positions are now vacant. If you are able to assist, please get in touch with the President, Robin Pascoe r.pascoe@murdoch.edu.au or the IDEA Administrator Anne Winterton abwinterton@gmail.com .

Remember also (as announced in the earlier update in May) that in July Anne will hand over the reins of IDEA Administrator

**Remember 2016 International
Arts Education Week May 23-29**