The 24th annual Arts Education Institute (AEI) offers professional development in arts and learning for all South Dakota teachers and administrators Pre-K through 12th grade.

AEI offers an educational and fun-filled week of learning to infuse the arts into classrooms and curriculum development. This year hands-on art, theatre and music workshops offer many opportunities for all Pre-K through 12th grade educators July 17-19 at Northern State University in Aberdeen, South Dakota.

You DO NOT need to be an educator to attend AEI, we encourage everyone to attend.

AEI is offered for up to three graduate credits.

Questions? Email Shari@ArtsSouthDakota.org or visit ArtsSouthDakota.org for more information and to register.

Class sizes are limited! We urge you to sign up early to get the workshops you prefer. Registration opens in March. Watch artssouthdakota.org for more information.

THE INSTITUTES
@ NORTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY
July 17-19, 2023

The Institutes will take place on the campus of Northern State University, July 17-19, 2023.

The fourth annual Band Director Institute guest headline clinician will be Stephen K. Rivero, Director of Bands at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School and Commander and Conductor of the Florida National Guard’s 13th Army Band.

The workshop is designed to expose music teachers to the newest and best band literature, as well as pedagogical methods and materials. The institute will include band new music reading sessions, instrument master classes, and clinic sessions that focus on a wide variety of teaching subjects for band directors. Participants are highly encouraged to register early for purposes of determining instrumentation for the Reading Band.

The second annual Choral Director Institute guest clinician will be South Dakota’s own Chris Maunu – Director of Choral Activities at Arvada West High School and composer based in the Denver-Metro area and a 4-time Finalist for GRAMMY® Music Educator of the Year.

The institute is an extensive and focused program designed to introduce choral music educators to the best in current and standard literature in addition to teaching methods and materials. The institute will include new choral literature sessions, master classes and clinic sessions that focus on a wide variety of teaching subjects for choir directors.

Registration opens in January at ArtsSouthDakota.org. Registration by June 17 is $175, and $195 after that.

The Band & Choral Director Institutes are offered for up to three graduate credits.

The workshop is sponsored by Arts South Dakota, the South Dakota Arts Council, Northern State University and Popplers Music.

Questions can be directed to Shari@ArtsSouthDakota.org
**BAND DIRECTOR INSTITUTE GUEST CLINICIAN**

**STEPHEN RIVERO**

**Director of Bands:**
Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School

**Commander & Conductor:**
Florida National Guard’s 13th Army Band

After very successful Marching, Jazz, and Concert Seasons, he was placed on Active Duty due to the pandemic. After seventeen months of Active Duty, Mr. Rivero returned to Stoneman Douglas High School and the Marching Band earned Grand Champion at all Florida Regional Competitions, was a Bands of America Regional Finalist, and finished the 2021 season as the State Champion at the Florida Marching Band State Championships in Ocala, Florida. His Wind Orchestra, Symphonic Band, and Jazz Band all earned Straight Superior Ratings at the 2022 Florida Bandmasters Association Music Performance Assessments and his Marching Band has been selected to perform in the 2023 New Years Day Parade in London. The Indoor Winds and Indoor Percussion Ensembles are currently preparing for their first ever appearance at the WGI World Championships in Dayton, Ohio.

**CHORAL DIRECTOR INSTITUTE GUEST CLINICIAN**

**CHRIS MAUNU**

**Conductor, Educator & Composer:**
Denver-Metro Area

His day job is as the Director of Choral Activities at Arvada West High School. A passionate teacher, Mr. Maunu is a 4-time Finalist for GRAMMY® Music Educator of the Year. He is also a 2-time winner of the CMA® National Music Teacher of Excellence Award. Choirs under Maunu’s direction have performed at 12 national, regional, and state ACDA and MEA conferences. They were winners of the prestigious American Prize in Choral Performance in 2018. His singers were also invited by audition to perform in the Champions Competition of the 11th World Choir Games in Belgium and earned the Gold Diploma at the 2020 Rimini International Choral Competition in Italy.