

INSTITUTE FOR EDUCATION AND THE ARTS

Invites You to Participate in

The National Overture of Education and the Arts in New Mexico ***February – April 2004***

The Institute for Education and the Arts promotes improved academic performance at the K-12 level by exploring, demonstrating and facilitating the use of the creative arts as tools to help teach core academic subjects and skills. The Institute is pleased to announce the National Overture of Education and the Arts in New Mexico to begin in February 2004.

The National Overture of Education and the Arts in New Mexico will:

- Demonstrate the value and power of the arts to inspire students in all subject areas;
- Share best practices from local, regional and national educators;
- Facilitate sustained use of the arts to help improve academic performance in all schools and in all communities in New Mexico.

Overture Timeline:

Phase One: February and March 2004 will:

- Announce and introduce the *Overture* program, will feature Community Showcase arts events by and for students, and will invite broad community participation in *Overture* events, including, in particular, salutes to teachers in New Mexico.

Phase Two: April 2004 will:

- Include multiple demonstrations, seminars, panel discussions and other events illustrating ways that teachers can use the arts to help accomplish their classroom goals.

Phase Three: 2004-2006 will:

- Facilitate the design of curriculum and professional development programs that will encourage the sustained and routine use of the arts across the academic curriculum.