

2019 CONFERENCE SURVEY

The 2019 MAEA conference chairs this year includes Paul Waldum from MSU, Stacey Herries from Belgrade HS, Karolyn Williams Belgrade HS, and me, Cortni Harant from Great Falls HS. Next fall's conference will be hosted in Belgrade and we have a very <u>time sensitive survey</u> we would like you to take the time to complete. It only has six questions and you only need to respond to what is applicable to you, but it will greatly help us plan a conference that reflects our constituents' preferences. We need your responses no later than **Friday, February 1st**.

MAEA WINTER RETREAT

Registration for the <u>MAEA Retreat</u> in Fort Benton is still open. We still have a handful of slots available. Co-chair Autumn Elliott from Box Elder wanted to make sure everyone knows the Pioneer Lodge has a block of rooms reserved until January 30th if you have not booked a room yet. Cathryn Reitler is our guest artist this year. She has updated the supply list so please revisit that if you plan to attend. The retreat promises to be amazing. Member registration is \$78 and non-member registration is \$100. To become a member of your professional organization and receive the benefit of the reduced rate and support our advocacy efforts please join today. MAEA is an affiliate of the NAEA so when you join NAEA you join MAEA. ©

If you would like to receive Western credit the UMW course fee is \$115, see below

EDUCATION

CRN	Crs#	Title	cr	Instructor	Location	Dates	Time	Partner Fee	UMW Fee	Reg. Deadline
TBD		MAEA Winter Retreat 2019: Montana Art Educators Association-Cathryn Reitler, Artist/Presenter	1	Reitler	Ft Benton, MT	Feb 7-9	Thur 5 p.m. Sat 12 p.m.	TBD	\$115	Feb 9
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UMW recommends registering over the phone, 406-683-7537. They said it takes about 10 minutes to register telephonically.

YOUTH ART MONTH

Again, Victor Daniels, our <u>Youth Art Month</u> Chair already has the Governors letter of support for YAM and will be using Google Forms to generate labels this year. Participating art teachers will

need to submit 2-3 works in February. Works can be delivered to the <u>winter retreat</u> and returned at <u>MAI</u> or sent via UPS, FedEx, or USPS. Return postage will need to be provided if art submissions are mailed. This is a legislative year and we look forward to WOWING the politicians and public with our exhibition again this year.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Long time MAEA member Shelly Schendel is retiring (congrats) and she wanted to get the word out. The position is posted on the <u>OPI Jobs for Teachers</u> site. Sally said it is an excellent place to work. It does require library duties as well, however she said that the district is willing to cover licensure requirements and the program should only take one year to complete and can be done while you are actively employed by Sheridan Schools. Sally said I could share her contact information if you have any questions about the position, <u>sbehrschendel@gmail.com</u>. Sally has been a leader in our state association for years and will be a missed asset. We hope she continues to be a force and a guide for us in her retirement.

GENERAL INFORMATION

You can also find deadlines and links for <u>Signatures</u> and our <u>business meeting minutes</u> from Billings on the website.

Make it a great day,

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