



FULL STEAM AHEAD

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A CROSS-DISCIPLINARY SYMPOSIUM AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EVENT

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Presented by The Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum and Ridgefield Library, Ridgefield CT.
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What exactly is STEAM, and why is it important? Is it a movement, a mindset, an initiative, a teaching method, a theory? Join the national discourse at a symposium that explores these questions through the lenses of education, contemporary art and design, innovation in business and technology, community engagement and more. Participants will:

- Learn about inspiring—and unexpected—real world applications of STEAM in schools, studios, laboratories, conference rooms, museums, libraries, and beyond
- Participate in lively discussions, hands-on activities, and engaging presentations at the Museum and Library that tap all the senses, spark the imagination, and challenge our traditional perceptions of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art (+ Design) and Math
- Join the conversation about how this global exchange is impacting our comprehension of the world around us and our ability to meet twenty-first-century challenges with inventive and creative solutions

Hear from forward-thinking artists, scientists, academics, educators, engineers, and business leaders from the **Rhode Island School of Design, Guggenheim Museum, Royal Ontario Museum in Toronto, Jacob Burns Film Center, Cultural Alliance of Western Connecticut, Danbury Hackerspace, International Centre for Creativity & Imagination, Hopkins Vineyard**, and more!

Speakers

Speakers include Jeff Hopkins, illustrator and teaching artist, Guggenheim Museum, New York City; Babette Allina, executive director, Government Relations and Affairs, RISD; Neal Overstrom, director, Nature Lab, RISD, Providence, RI; David Brooks, Aldrich exhibiting artist; Nathan K. Lujan, Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto, Canada; Steve Martino, director, Blue Sky Studios, Greenwich, CT; Barry Schwimmer, founder and managing partner, Stamford Innovation Center, Stamford, CT; Lisa Scails, executive director, Cultural Alliance of Western Connecticut; Heidi Hammel, planetary astronomer and executive vice president of the Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy, Washington, DC; Mike Kaltschnee, co-founder of the Danbury Hackerspace, Danbury, CT; Emily Keating, education director, Jacob Burns Film Center, Pleasantville, NY; Larissa Bailiff, senior editor, education and content, WoofbertVR; Steven T. Dahlberg, director, International Centre for Creativity & Imagination, New Milford, CT and James Baker, Hopkins Vineyard winemaker and Vineyard manager, Warren, CT.

Presenting Partners

The Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum and Ridgefield Library are committed and passionate practitioners of, and advocates for, cross-disciplinary teaching and learning. Continuing the thought-provoking dialogue they initiated with community collaborators at the *Creativity Conference* in 2012 in Ridgefield, CT, these two long-time partners will invite thought leaders of all disciplines, teachers, parents, life-long learners, and the creative community at large to engage, envision, and imagine.

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