

Art Education in Schools

References:

1. Australians and the Arts, The Australia Council for the Arts http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/resources/reports_and_pub lications/subjects/arts_sector/australians_and_the_arts

2. NAVA and the Visual Education Roundtable were instrumental in persuading the Federal Government to commit the funding for a National Review of Visual Education (NRVE). NAVA served on the steering Committee.

3. In 2007 the Labor Government committed to put in place a national school curriculum "to ensure Australians are armed with the knowledge and skills to meet the demands of the 21st Century."

4. In April 2009 the National Advocated for Art Education (NAAE) achieved the goal of government agreement for 5 artforms being included in Phase 2 of work on the national curriculum for schools – dance, drama, music, media arts and visual arts

5. 2009 to the present - NAAE continues to advise the government's Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) set up to deliver the national curriculum. The arts curriculum is awaiting approval by the Arts Minister. Meanwhile it is being trialled across the country in selected schools, and most are finding it very 'teachable'. COAG refers to the Council of Australian Governments.