## **Artists-in-residence announced**

Beginning in January, Caldera will welcome visual, literary, and performing artists from around the world for one-month stays at its arts center on Blue Lake in Central Oregon.

While at Caldera, artists, writers, and performers immerse in their work to create new books, plays, music, films, poems, installations, paintings and sculptures.

As Caldera enters its 20th year as an organization, its Artist in Residence (AiR) program has grown to include more residents and deep contributions to its youth program.

Caldera has announced the artists chosen for the 2016 Artists in Residence program. Along with spending time developing individual works, AiR offer workshops and presentations to Caldera middle and high school students. They also present their work to the public in a free Open Studios series, held the last Saturday of each month of residencies.

2016 Open Studios dates are: January 30, February 27, and March 26.

Artists in Residence for 2016 include:

• Literary artists — Turiya Autry, Portland, Oregon; Sash Bischoff, New York, New York; Kim Calder, Los Angeles, California; Kristina Marie Darling, Ballwin, Michigan; Camas Davis, Portland, Oregon; Sara Mumolo, Oakland, California; Emily Weinstein, Berkeley, California.

• Visual artists — Anne Greenwood, Portland, Oregon; Alex Hirsch, Portland, Oregon; Donna Copper Hurt, Charleston, South Carolina; Kylie



Caldera hosts open studios with artists-in-residence.

Lockwood, Detroit, Michigan; Christine Olejiniczak, Marfa, Texas; Ryan Pierce, Portland, Oregon: Brittany Reeber. Austin, Texas; Annie Varnot, Brooklyn, New York; Marjorie Vecchio, Reno, Nevada.

• Performing artists -Alela Diane, Portland, Oregon; Adriana Rojas Pretel, Bogota, Colombia; Jason Randolph, Baltimore, Maryland; Lucy Yim, Portland, Oregon.

Applications for the 2017 Artists in Residence will be open mid-January. For more information, visit the Artist in Residence section of Caldera's website at www.CalderaArts. org and/or contact Creative Director Elizabeth Quinn via email at elizabeth.quinn@ calderaarts.org.



## **Educators say early childhood** programs need funding

BEND (AP) — Specialeducation funding in Oregon hasn't kept up with a growing need for early childhood intervention for kids with disabilities or development delays.

Nearly 12,000 children across the state qualify for regular at-home visits with a specialist or special preschool enrollment, and federal law says eligible children must receive that help immediately, The Bulletin reported.

Providers across Oregon are asking lawmakers for more money, which they say will help meet demand in the short term and could avoid a potentially costly lawsuit in the long term.

They are pushing for \$5.4 million to avoid a shortfall in 2015-17 and an additional \$15-20 million for long-term improvements to services.

High Desert Education Service District Superintendent John Rexford says the program's funding was cut post-recession.

"But what happened was when everything else was recovering - K-12 got a nice bump in funding — this program got left behind," he said.

Rexford is among those pushing for additional funding.

"We're kind of triaging this and taking it one step at a time," Rexford said. "The first thing is we need to have at least the resources to serve the kids that are getting identified now at a much higher rate."

