Transforming Texas Museums and Science Centers Through Advanced Networks

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www.tetnplus.net/Transforming_Museums
Panel

- Gerri Maglia – Texas Education Telecommunications Network
- Anne Herndon – Fort Worth Museum of Science and History
- Cindi Collins – National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame
- Nancy Strickland – Amon Carter Museum
- Marc Wetzel – McDonald Observatory
- Laurie Hogle – ESC Region XI and Connect2Texas
Panel Topics

- Texas Connectivity
- Connect2Texas
- Outreach efforts before and after advanced networks
- Modification of outreach
- Social and educational change between organization and schools
- Planning for the future
Texas Connectivity
TETN Consortium

TETN is a private video/data network among the twenty Texas Education Service Centers (ESCs) and the Texas Education Agency.

http://www.tetnplus.net
Map of Education Service Centers
Other Organizations Connected to ESCs

- Hospitals
- Universities/Colleges
- Consortiums
- Museums

“Small” networks

Possibly connected to an ESC, a network, or a network to network
TETN and I2

- SEGP - Sponsored Education Group Participant
- Sponsor and “connector” is LEARN (Lone star Education and Research Network) at http://www.tx-learn.net/
Amon Carter Museum
Bass Performance Hall
Botanical Research Institute of Texas
Cook Children's Medical Center
Education Service Center Region XI
Fort Worth Museum of Science and History
Fort Worth Nature Center and Refuge
McDonald Observatory
Monnig Meteorite Gallery at TCU
National Archives Fort Worth
National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame
Sid Richardson Museum
Texas Wildlife Association
The Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum
The Grace Museum
UNT Health Science Center

2008 – 2009 Stats
• 1467 Programs
• 86,368 students
• 32 states
• 4 countries

http://www.connect2texas.net

Connect2Texas
Saddle up and get ready to experience videoconferencing from the Lone Star State!
Describe your organization’s outreach efforts before becoming involved with videoconferencing.

- Marc Wetzel – McDonald Observatory
- Anne Herndon – Fort Worth Museum of Science and History
Describe the type of outreach your organization does now that utilizes broadband networks (I2, TETN, etc).

- Cindi Collins – National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame
- Nancy Strickland – Amon Carter Museum
How has the availability of broadband networks changed how you look at/modify your outreach efforts?

Marc Wetzel – McDonald Observatory
Nancy Strickland – Amon Carter Museum
How has this type of outreach, utilizing broadband networks, fostered social and educational change between your organization and schools?

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How has broadband connectivity changed how your organization plans for the future?

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Questions
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