



Diversity, equity, and inclusion are at the heart of everything we do.

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## Message from the Board

Dear ACTO Community,

We're writing to share a thoughtful update from the board as we continue moving through this important time together. Our recent planning meeting held both practical decision-making and heartfelt connection, and we want you to feel informed, included, and cared for every step of the way.

### **Staying Connected as a Community**

We, as a board are intentionally trying to support one another through this process as well. We began our time with personal check-ins—celebrating milestones, travels, recoveries, and meaningful life moments. These connections continue to remind us that ACTO has always been more than an organization—it's a community of people who genuinely care for one another.

### **Financial & Operational Updates**

We are happy to report that the organization remains financially stable and on track. Thanks to your support, including the recent GoFundMe campaign which exceeded its goal, we have the resources needed to meet our commitments through the end of the year. We are planning carefully to ensure all obligations are fulfilled, including fair compensation for those who have supported our work.

### **Looking Ahead to Our Closing Timeline**

As previously shared, ACTO will officially conclude its operations on **June 30th**. After that date, our website will remain accessible through December, 2026, so that past resources and materials can still be available to you. Behind the scenes, we are organizing and reviewing our digital archives to thoughtfully preserve what has been most meaningful and relevant.

### **Gathering for Our Final Forums**

We warmly invite you to join us for our final two forums:

- **May 27th**: A special panel of past presidents reflecting on their experiences and the evolution of ACTO
- **June 24th**: A closing celebration open to all who have been part of this community

We hope these gatherings will offer space for reflection, connection, and honoring all that has been created together.

### **Social Media & Communication**

We are currently finalizing plans for how long our social media platforms will remain active. While most platforms will be closing, LinkedIn may remain available through the end of the year to help ease the transition and keep a point of connection. We will share clear updates as these decisions are finalized.

### **With Gratitude**

Every decision being made is grounded in care—for our members, our shared work, and the integrity of how we bring this chapter to a close. We are deeply grateful for the trust, participation, and presence you have offered over the years.

As we move forward, we will continue to communicate openly and ensure you have the information you need. Thank you for being such an essential part of ACTO's journey.

With warmth and appreciation,  
The ACTO Board



## **Resource of the Month**

Each month in this newsletter we will highlight a different facet of identity, and provide a resource in this area for our readers.

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For several issues, we have brought you resources on issues that ACTO stands for, which you can integrate into the craft of coaching, for a more inclusive and informed practice. This month we bring you more on the same, but in a different modality - something that will resource YOU from within.

As coaches, we know that our bodies and being are the instruments of our work. The depth of our inner work and authenticity with our inner world will directly inform and expand the way we accompany our clients. We have to continuously be in touch with the ocean within and its changing moods in order to hold space that is inclusive of the client's culture and diversity of their experience.

The Arts - visual arts, music, literature - provide magical doorways to access our subconscious and increase self-discovery and expression. They enrich us, especially by going into the deeply feeling spaces. We could intentionally include/increase our own connect to the arts as a self-development practice.

This month's resource [Art21](#) is an invitation to that space - and we select to bring it to you because of their vision: ***The Vision of Art21 is to inspire a more creative and inclusive world through the works and words of contemporary artists.***

On this [website](#), you will find videos, readings and artworks which will stimulate you to connect to and reflect about diversity, inclusion, equity, justice and belonging. We hope you will devote some time to explore the site and let things draw you in.

# About Art21

**Art21 is the world's leading source to learn directly from the artists of our time.**



**The Mission** of Art21 is to educate and expand access to contemporary art through the production of documentary films, resources, and public programs.

**The Vision** of Art21 is to inspire a more creative and inclusive world through the works and words of contemporary artists.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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### **ACTO June Community Conversations Call**

Date: June 4, 2026 Time: 12 noon EDT

[More information](#)

[Register](#)

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### **May Monthly English Forum: Reflections through an ACTO Lens.**

Program will include a guest panel of past ACTO Leaders reflecting on the past and current state of coach training.

Date: May 27, 2026, 8:00 US PT, 11:00 US ET, 17:00 CET, 20:30 IST (90 minutes)

[Register](#)

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**June Monthly English Forum: A Chapter Ends** - A Celebration of ACTO's contributions to the profession and of the People who have contributed to ACTO. Hold This Space for sharing and receiving Gratitude!

Date: June 24, 2026, 8:00 US PT, 11:00 US ET, 17:00 CET, 20:30 IST (90 minutes)

[Register](#)

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## **ACTO STAND**

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ACTO is a community of coaches and coach trainers dedicated to co-creating a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive coaching profession. Through dialogue, learning opportunities, and change initiatives, we seed coaching excellence that values diverse cultural perspectives and eliminates bias and harm.

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## May Multicultural Calendar

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We invite you to acknowledge and explore a diversity of significant dates and cultural celebrations with us. These dates were sourced from [Diversity Resources](#) and [WorkTango](#). Please visit their websites to learn more about each date's significance. If you have important dates from your culture that you'd like our community to learn about, please let us know!

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May - ALS Awareness Month

May - Haitian Heritage Month

May - Indian Heritage Month

May - Jewish-American Heritage Month

May - Mental Health Awareness Month

May - National Asian American and South Pacific Islander Heritage Month

May - Older Americans Month

May 1 – Visakha Puja Day (Buddhism)

May 1 – Beltane (Wicca/Paganism)

May 5 – Samhain - (Southern Hemisphere) Wicca/Paganism

May 5 – Cinco de Mayo

May 17 – International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia

May 18 – Victoria Day (Canada)

May 21 – World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development

May 21-23 – Shavuot (Jewish)

May 23 – Declaration of the Bab (Baha'i)

May 24 – Pentecost (Orthodox Christian)

May 25 – Memorial Day

May 26 – Eid al-Adha (Islamic)

May 29 – Ascension of Baha'u'llah (Baha'i)

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