



SC Governor's School  
for the Arts and Humanities

# VISUAL ARTS



## THE IDEAL STUDENT

The Visual Arts Department seeks students who have a passion to create art, are self-motivated, take direction well, and are willing to push themselves.

## PROGRAM OFFERINGS

### Residential High School Program

A two-year program for high school juniors and seniors who apply in 10th grade. Tuition is free. Students learn each visual art discipline and create a body of work as a final semester project.

### Academy Program

A two-week summer program for rising 10th grade students who apply in 9th grade. Students are deeply invested in four classes over two weeks.

### Arts Odyssey Program

A one-week summer program for rising 8th and 9th grade students who apply in 7th or 8th grade. Students are introduced to four disciplines in one week.

## AUDITION PROCESS

Applicants for the **Residential High School** and **Academy** programs submit several pieces of artwork based on specific guidelines. These applicants will attend a drawing workshop and bring an additional portfolio of work to an interview with program instructors.

**Arts Odyssey** applicants only submit several pieces of artwork based on specific guidelines. Review the complete application and audition requirements at

**SCGSAH.ORG**

In the Governor's School's **Visual Arts Program**, students gain exposure to a broad spectrum of mediums while developing the conceptual and creative skills they need to explore and refine their own imagery and self-expression.

Students learn fundamental processes and techniques from faculty who are established artists in their field. Depending on the program, students gain hands-on experience with studio practices in the following disciplines:

- Animation and CGI
- Architecture
- Ceramics
- Drawing
- Graphic Design
- Metal Work
- Painting
- Photography
- Printmaking
- Sculpture

In the Residential High School Program, students also build experience preparing portfolios, exhibiting artwork, and entering competitions.

"The culture of the Visual Arts Program compels students to mature as artists, thinkers, and creative, hard-working young adults. In this challenging experience, students learn how to become better artists."

—David Gerhard, Visual Arts Department Chair

## FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

Visual Arts graduates become successful professionals across diverse fields. Whether or not graduates choose to be artists, designers, or teachers, all have gained creative thinking skills, work ethic, and talents that can be applied to any profession.

Visual Arts alumni have attended the nation's most prestigious art programs at schools such as:

- Clemson University
- Cooper Union
- Kansas City Art Institute
- Parsons School of Design
- Pratt Institute
- Rhode Island School of Design
- Ringling College of Art and Design
- Savannah College of Art and Design
- University of North Carolina School of the Arts
- University of South Carolina
- Virginia Commonwealth University
- Winthrop University



# 2020-2021 STUDENT PROGRAMS



The South Carolina Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities cultivates young artists from across the state through pre-professional training in the areas of Creative Writing, Dance, Drama, Music, and Visual Arts. Students learn from world-renowned faculty who are established, practicing artists. Nestled behind Falls Park in scenic downtown Greenville, students live in a safe and supportive environment where they have everything they need to pursue their artistic passion and discover who they are as individuals and as artists. Any South Carolina resident in grades 6-10 can apply to the Governor's School's various programs.

## RESIDENTIAL HIGH SCHOOL

As a public, residential high school, students explore and refine their talents in a one-of-a-kind, master/apprentice community while receiving a nationally recognized academic education that fulfills the requirements for a South Carolina high school diploma.

Juniors and seniors, as well as exceptional sophomores in Music and Dance, live on campus for the typical school year.

Students apply in the 10th grade for Creative Writing, Drama, Music, and Visual Arts and in the 9th or 10th grade for Dance. All students choose one art area and explore various mediums or disciplines within that area with established arts faculty. Students audition to attend and must be a South Carolina resident to apply.

- Recognized as one of the top high schools in the nation by *U.S. News and World Report*, *The Washington Post*, and *The Daily Beast*.
- SAT/ACT scores rank consistently above state and national averages.
- Designated as an "Exemplary School" for 2017-2019 by the Art Schools Network.

**Application Fee: \$50 • Tuition: Free**  
**Meal Plan: \$3,450\***  
**Residence Hall Fee: \$150**

*Full and partial scholarships are available based on validated financial need.*

*\*Fees are based on previous year and are subject to change.*

## SUMMER PROGRAMS

### Arts Odyssey • June 14 - 19 or June 21 - 26

A one-week program for rising 8th and 9th grade students. Offers Creative Writing, Drama, Music, and Visual Arts.

- Students apply in 7th and 8th grades
- Program Fee: \$500,\* no application fee

### Academy Program • July 5 - 18

A two-week program for rising 10th grade students. Offers Creative Writing, Drama, Music, and Visual Arts. Students audition to attend.

- Students apply in 9th grade
- Program Fee: \$950\* plus \$25 application fee

### Summer Dance Program • June 14 - July 18

A five-week intensive program which offers pre-professional training in ballet and modern dance for rising 7th-12th grade students. Students audition to attend. This program also accepts out-of-state students.

- Students apply in 6th-11th grades and must be 12 years old by June 1, 2019
- Program Fee: \$2,100\* plus \$25 application fee

*Full and partial scholarships are available for all summer programs based on validated financial need.*

*\*Fees are based on previous year and are subject to change.*

## APPLICATION DEADLINES

- **October 4, 2019:** For Early Decision Dance
- **November 30, 2019:** For Application Fee Waiver
- **December 13, 2019:** For Arts Odyssey
- **January 8, 2020:** For Residential High School, Academy, and Regular Decision Dance

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