



SAN FRANCISCO
HIGH SCHOOL
OF THE ARTS

WHERE PASSION AND HARD WORK
DELIVER SUCCESS

Serving Grades 6-12



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Excellence

DISCOVER HSARTS

HSArts offers students a path to self-mastery through professional arts training and rigorous academics.

Our holistic approach to education focuses on Traditional Arts, Academic Excellence, and Universal Values. Our main goal is to support our diligent and dedicated students in achieving their dreams, developing individuals ready to make vital contributions to the world. Our inspired students go on to attend top universities, pursuing the arts and other fields.

Visit us to experience why we say HSArts is where passion and hard work deliver success.



WHY HSARTS?

- The only private arts high school and middle school in Northern California
- Top quality pre-professional arts training to build advanced skills upon solid foundations
- Academic studies under subject experts ready to give you individualized support
- A community that values Respect, Honesty, Responsibility, Kindness, Empathy and Tolerance
- Spark your creativity to inspire and deepen bonds with fellow young artists

Passion



PERFORMING AND VISUAL ARTS PROGRAMS

guide students to discover their artistic passion through fundamental skills development and individual creative expression. Talented and dedicated teachers create curricula designed to promote student success in small group settings. Our students develop necessary skills essential for professional accomplishment in any arts-related field.

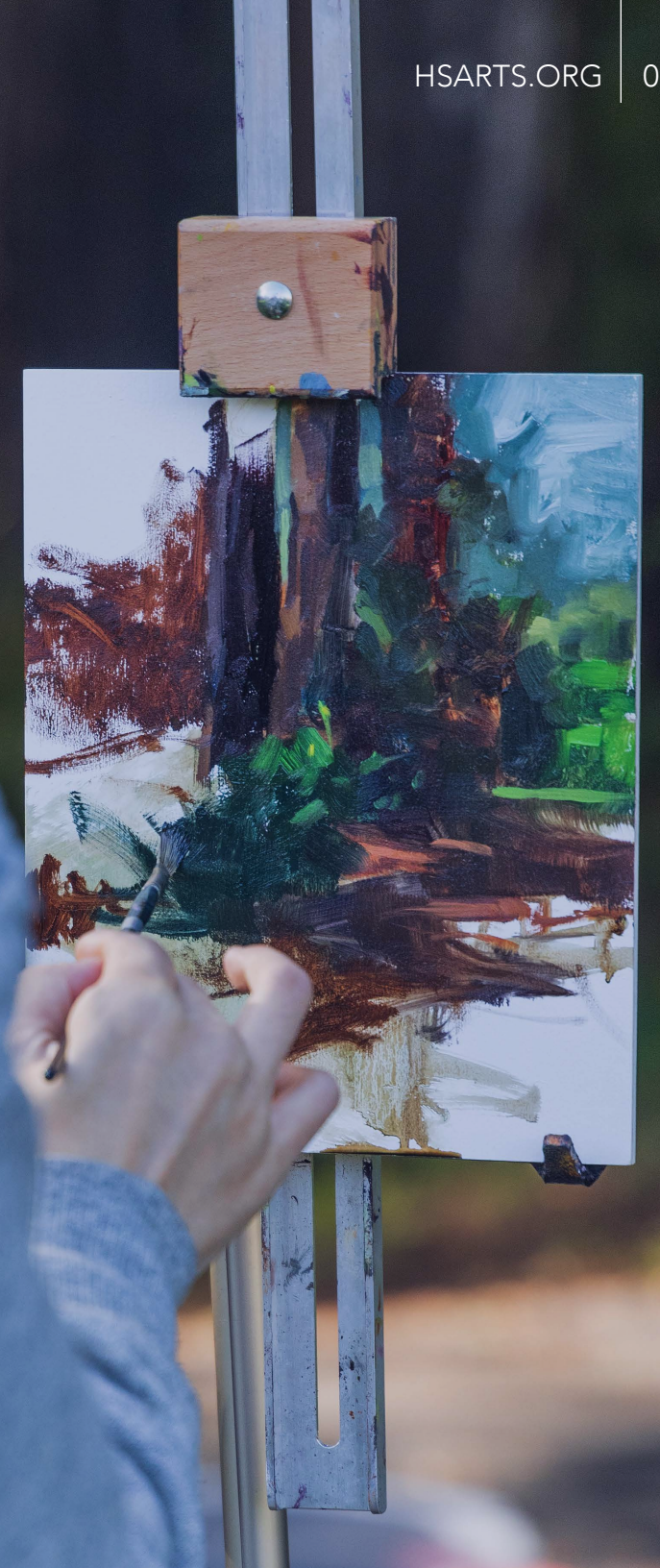
VISUAL ARTS

VISUAL ARTS PROGRAM features an individualized progression system for the foundational skills of drawing, sketching, and painting. Students apply those skills in specialized arts electives such as animation, video production, costume design, and architecture. Our program invites guest artists and live models and utilizes nearby parks and museums to embellish the expert instruction from our artist teachers. Exhibition and competition opportunities are available to students throughout the year.



HSArts is an **Arc Renewal Center (ARC) approved school**. Our Visual Arts program is recognized by this prestigious community of ateliers, studios, and talented artists and professionals. HSArts is one of the few high schools to be recognized in the world.

Dual Enrollment with Academy of Art University (AAU) is now offered exclusively to juniors and seniors students in the visual arts program. Students have the unique opportunity to enroll in a variety of college-level art courses worth college credits.



Dedication

PERFORMING ARTS

DANCE CONSERVATORY is a pre-professional dance program where students train in Classical Ballet and Classical Chinese Dance. With an emphasis on building strong foundational technique, students will apply their fundamentals to pointe and character classes, ethnic and folk dance, and repertoire and variations, culminating in performances and competitions throughout the year.



CLASSICAL BALLET is rooted in the Vaganova method. The training focuses on barre and centre, pointe, variations, and character dances, with jazz and ethnic dance styles to complement. Dancers develop poise, grace, strength, and technique under the expert guidance of Mr. Dongsheng Wei.



CLASSICAL CHINESE DANCE is a comprehensive dance form rooted in China's cultural heritage. Systematic training in fundamentals, flexibility, technical skills, folk and ethnic dance, and the unique element of shen yun (or 'bearing') allowing dancers to fully demonstrate their artistry. Elegant costumes, exciting props, and energetic music embellish the artistic expression of Chinese dance.



THEATRE ARTS, encompassing classical theater and musical theater, is a comprehensive and dynamic theatre arts education program that gives students the opportunity to develop their skills through intensive rehearsals and live performances. The curriculum centers on acting, singing, music, and dance, culminating in several major productions throughout the school year. Previous productions include: The Phantom Tollbooth Jr., You're a Good Man Charlie Brown, and Ebenezer's Christmas Carol.

MUSIC CONSERVATORY is rooted in classical music and offers high-level private and ensemble lessons. Students specialize in either instruments or voice. Supplementary music courses, including music theory, composition, history, and piano lab, provide a comprehensive music education, allowing our students to grow into musicians with creativity and artistry.



Diligence

ACADEMICS

Our Academic programs are rigorous, comprehensive and engaging. Through an integrated curriculum in the humanities and STEM, students are grouped by level and merit, with accelerated tracks designed for motivated students. Subject-expert faculty provide individualized instruction and support, allowing students to follow personalized pathways that highlight their interests.

At HSArts, students are challenged to achieve academic excellence.

HIGHLIGHTS

- College preparatory academic curriculum
- 16 high school honors-level and 20 Advanced Placement courses.
- Accelerated math track for highly-motivated students
- Innovative Integrated STEM curriculum
- Highly-credentialed, dedicated, and experienced faculty support student success



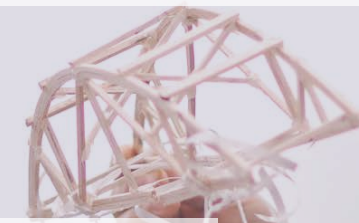
STEM PATHWAY

STEM PATHWAY incorporates a strong math and data science based curriculum. HSArts math program offers advanced math learning and accelerated math track for high achieving students. In addition, HSArts' Innovative Integrated Science and Maths curriculum incorporates computer and data science into all math and core scientific subjects such as chemistry, biology, physics, and physical science. Students will model, simulate, and analyze real world problems utilizing the most current modern world technology. Modes of instruction include lectures, projects, and hands-on laboratory work. Qualified, highly motivated students can elect to take advanced coursework and qualify for graduating with STEM Honors having completed at least three AP-level STEM courses.

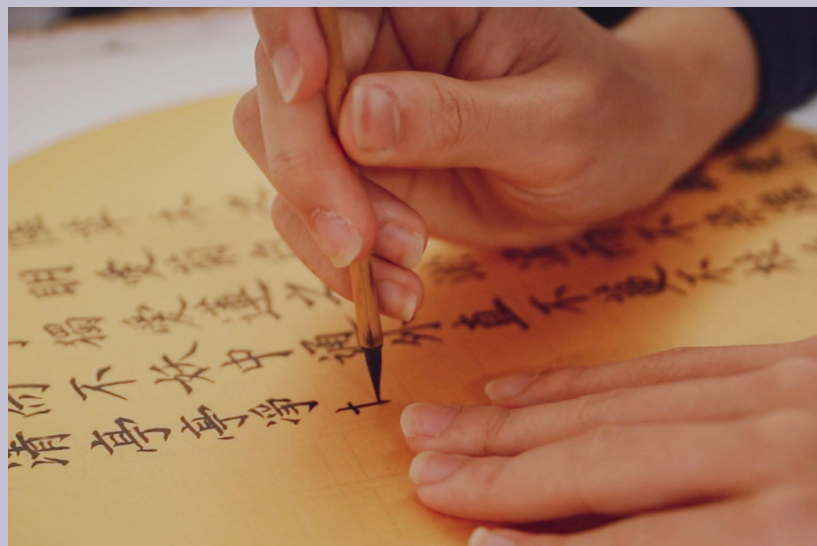
ACCELERATED MATH PATHWAY

offers students who like math an accelerated math pathway. Along the pathway, California curriculum standards are compacted to ensure students have the prerequisite knowledge for success in our high school math program.

COMPUTER SCIENCE PATHWAY offers students an accelerated and comprehensive program that integrates computer and data science into core science and math courses. Students will learn core programming languages, including HTML, JavaScript, CSS, Python and R.



Culture



CHINESE LANGUAGE PROGRAM

has seven consecutive Chinese courses, and students learn Chinese based on their level of language mastery. No prerequisites are required. The beginning levels focus on vocabulary and building key skills in speaking and listening. Reading comprehension and writing abilities are further refined through interpreting and responding to classical Chinese texts and poetry in more advanced classes.

HUMANITIES PATHWAY

HUMANITIES PATHWAY focuses on traditional liberal arts. Interdisciplinary studies include ancient history to modern world history and a wide sample of literary works including Greek and Chinese classics, Shakespeare, poetry and contemporary authors. Students examine the politics, religion, culture, and ideals of different eras, and the roles men and women have played in significant historical events. Students also study grammar, logic, and rhetoric as they learn how to communicate effectively. Qualified, highly motivated students can elect to take advanced coursework in English Language and History and qualify for graduating with Humanities Honors after having completed at least three AP Humanities courses.

COLLEGE COUNSELING

COLLEGE COUNSELING program is designed to help each student gain deeper self-awareness of their individual strengths and challenges, and identify the career path and college choice that is right for them. From 8th grade through senior year, advisors closely guide each student in preparation for college and the application process.

Experienced team of teachers and counselors guide students in developing resumes and artistic portfolios, prepare students for practice interviews and auditions, and provide insightful guidance throughout the college admissions process. Students will be confident, well-equipped, and ready for the next critical steps in their education and career.

Graduates of HSArts have gone on to attend top universities across the country, pursuing the arts or the major of their choice. Below are some of the universities to which our alumni have been accepted:

- ArtCenter College of Design
- American University
- Baylor University
- Boston University
- Champlain College
- Fordham University
- George Washington University
- Lawrence University Conservatory of Music
- Loyola Marymount University
- Maryland Institute College of Arts (MICA)
- New York University
- Oberlin College and Conservatory
- Parsons School of Design
- Pepperdine University
- Pratt Institute
- Purdue University
- Rhode Island School of Design (RISD)
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- Rutgers University
- Santa Clara University
- School of Art Institute of Chicago (SAIC)
- University of British Columbia
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Davis
- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Los Angeles
- University of California, Santa Cruz
- University of California, San Diego
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of Colorado Boulder
- University of Miami -Frost School of Music
- University of Michigan in Ann Arbor
- University of North Carolina at Greensboro - School of Music
- University of North Texas - School of Music
- University of Portland
- University of the Pacific
- University of Wisconsin-Madison

Community

STUDENT LIFE AT HSARTS



STUDENT LIFE is a vital part of the HSArts experience. Various extracurricular opportunities engage students beyond the classroom and promote community building and student wellness. Through participating in clubs and activities, students balance their social lives, academics, and arts training. Our students are active volunteers who graduate with a minimum of 80 community service hours.

Opportunities for student leadership include participation in Student Council, National Honor Society, and Student Ambassadors club. We have many student-led and developed clubs, including photography, yearbook, music, cooking, games, and art clubs.

Our basketball team plays several exhibition games throughout the year. Badminton and table tennis are popular athletic clubs at HSArts.

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM



Outdoor Education Program

OUTDOOR EDUCATION PROGRAM is centered around several camping trips and our 6 acres of land in the Santa Cruz mountains. Students connect with and develop an appreciation for nature, vital for their creativity and imagination. Easy access to the California coastline and mountainous terrain creates opportunities for students to develop a deeper connection to the environment and their peers. Here, our students find inspiration for their art, and real-world application for their STEM and Humanities courses.

Discover

HSAarts AT A GLANCE

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Class Size

36

Honors and
AP Classes

40%

Families Enrolled in
Flexible Tuition Program

100%

Graduation Rate

66%

Identify as Student
of Color

100%

Accepted by Top 100
US Universities

*as identified by US News World Report

ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST

- Submit Inquiry Form online at HSArts.org or email Admissions@HSArts.org.
- Schedule a private tour online at HSArts.org or email Admissions@HSArts.org.
- Submit an Application online:
Priority deadline: Mid-December (\$50)
Final deadline: Mid-January (\$100)
- Submit an artistic portfolio online by the end of January.
- Request academic recommendations and transcripts from counselor or teacher by the end of January.
- Complete an admissions interview with the HSArts Admissions Committee.

Optional

Submit supplementary artistic recommendations from Arts teachers (dance, music, theatre, visual arts) by the end of January.



Contact us:

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Visit us at
HSArts.org/admissions
for more information or to
register for events.

OUR MISSION

The mission of San Francisco High School of the Arts is to provide students with an exceptional education in traditional arts and academics, while focusing on character development. The curriculum nurtures in students universal values and a sense of civic duty so they may positively contribute to the world.



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