



- The only independent residential arts high school in the Western US
- 280 students, 35 countries, and 24 states
- 5:1 student to teacher ratio
- Arts Faculty of working artists
- One-on-one advising
- 50% of our students receive financial aid and scholarships
- 205-acre forested campus
- 2 hours to Los Angeles and San Diego



## **ARTS MAJORS**

#### Dance

Our multi-discipline program boasts cutting-edge training in ballet, modern, contemporary, jazz, and hip-hop taught by esteemed industry professionals, combining rigorous artistic training with the fundamentals of dancer health and child development, training dance students to use their bodies correctly by focusing on kinetics, coordination, anatomy, and proper body alignment.

#### **Dramatic Arts**

Students select pre-professional training in musical theatre, acting for stage & camera, directing, playwriting, production & design to name a few, developing the skills and knowledge to succeed in the pursuit of conservatory, college or a professional career in the industry.

## **Fashion Design**

Hands-on, pre-professional training covers a range of foundational techniques, including sewing, patternmaking, fashion illustration, conceptual design, figure drawing, color theory, body movement, performance, visual communication, and the study of textiles and fabrics as students create and assemble garments from the ground up.

## Film & Digital Media

Our interactive, industry-specific training applies traditional skills to new digital environments and global platforms through foundational courses in screenwriting, producing, creative development, directing, cinematography, art directing, editing, writing, sound design, and interactive technologies. Close proximity to Los Angeles provides access to mentorship with industry professionals.

# InterArts & Creative Writing

We believe that when students are given the freedom to explore various art forms, the possibilities are endless. Our program empowers curious students to build their own pathway by choosing one of two tracks - Exploratory or Advanced – based on their individual interests and passions.

#### Music

By studying a comprehensive curriculum of music theory, history, and technology coupled with private lessons and ensembles, our students build a strong foundation, find their own unique style, and achieve professional excellence in Classical, Jazz, Songwriting, and/or Voice studies.

#### Visual Arts

Offering an exciting range of courses that ignite the imagination, refine technique, and deepen connections with the world. Through our dynamic curriculum, students explore traditional and cutting-edge methods, materials, and ideas, with every layer of training designed to empower students with the skills, knowledge, and confidence to thrive at the college level and beyond.



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## **ACADEMICS**

While influencing students' work as deeply informed, critically thinking Citizen Artists, our academic program prepares students for the rigors of college and a range of career opportunities both within and outside of the arts. The academic curriculum is designed to:

- Teach creative, multi-dimensional thinking
- Develop vital twenty-first century skills of communication, collaboration, and critical problem-solving.
- Emphasize the STEAM learning model, encouraging students to think holistically and approach the world with wonder, critique, inquiry, and innovation.
- Our S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) curriculum empowers students to think critically and holistically, and problem-solve with agility and imagination.

# **COLLEGE COUNSELING**

The Idyllwild Arts Academy College Counseling Department emphasizes a relaxed, empathetic, and safe office culture for students and families. While 95% of our graduates go on to post-secondary educational institutions to pursue BFA, BA, and BS degrees around the U.S. and abroad, our college counseling program prepares students for myriad experiences after Idyllwild Arts. In collaboration with Academy faculty, the college counselors participate in review of portfolios, auditions, and pre-screens. Through a curriculum that spans two years, our college counselors teach a dedicated Life Skills class in



which students learn essential aspects of a personal and artistic lifestyle including networking, artistic and professional résumé building, interview skills, cold calls and follow-up emails, and development and implementation of artistic and professional behaviors.

Every year, Idyllwild Arts Academy students apply and are accepted into top universities, including:

The Juilliard School | Rhode Island School of Design | Royal Conservatoire of Scotland | Parsons School of Design - The New School | Savannah College of Art and Design | Vassar College | New England Conservatory | Liverpool Institute of Performing Arts | New York University | ...and many more!

# SEMESTER EXCHANGE PROGRAM

In this unique and dynamic offering through our InterArts department, both International and Domestic 10th and 11th grade students can join Idyllwild Arts Academy's beautiful mountaintop campus in Southern California for a single semester in order to benefit from an infusion of artistic growth and community engagement. In this program, students customize an academic path paired with a holistic arts education led by diverse, industry-leading faculty, culminating in the completion of a collaborative Capstone project. Participants also enroll in our unique Art in Society program (see below), focusing on global and local community service projects. The Semester Exchange Program includes the full support and resources provided for our campus community, including the Wellness Center.

#### **ART IN SOCIETY**

Art in Society (AIS) is a unique program that inspires students to discover their unique role in the global community. Through community partnership and advocacy, AIS cultivates the skills and vision necessary to create lasting change and impact beyond academic achievement. You'll have the tools to make your mark on the world and become a catalyst for positive transformation.

# ARTS ENTERPRISE LABORATORY

The Arts Enterprise Laboratory (AEL) program is a launching pad for students who want to learn more and achieve more, equipping them with concrete professional skills and access to public platforms unattainable at any other art high school. AEL participants learn how to be self-directed in their ideas and pursuits and develop real-life skills applicable to an enterprising career in the arts. Opportunities include:

Access to Grant Funds for Special Projects | Training in Concrete Life Skills | Unique Performance Platforms and Live Audiences | Unparalleled Access to Industry Experts | Portfolio-Building Achievements

#### INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Idyllwild Arts Academy is global by design and proud to welcome students from all over the world. Almost half of our students are international, and although they hail from more than 30 different countries, all of them are united by their passion for artistic excellence and thrive in our welcoming, inviting and supportive community. We know that the choice to go abroad for high school is a brave one. Most of our international students may know very little about American education and culture, and often a visit to our campus is unrealistic given the distance. We are here to help

these students understand our campus, our culture, our curriculum, and our unique location so that they can make an informed decision about whether ldyllwild Arts Academy is a good fit.

# DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION, AND BELONGING (DEIB)

IAF's Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (DEIB) collaborative is represented by all stakeholders across the organization. The DEIB works collaboratively to advocate for and continually reinforce the tenets outlined in the Anti-Racism Statement in order to dismantle systemic structures that underpin racism, biases, and socioeconomic disparities.





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