

Through the mastery of fine and performing arts, in combination with strong academics, Idyllwild Arts Academy offers a unique way to unlock Ivy League possibilities.

Ranked the **No.1 Arts Boarding School** in the U.S., Idyllwild Arts Academy is an internationally-acclaimed high school, providing pre-professional training in the arts and a comprehensive college preparatory curriculum to a diverse student body of gifted young artists.

Idyllwild Arts Academy was founded in 1946, making it one of the oldest art-focused schools in the nation. The picturesque campus is set on 205-acres of pine forest located in Southern California's San Jacinto Mountains and is within 2 hours of Los Angeles, Orange County and San Diego.

Idyllwild Arts Academy students can choose from one of eight majors offered: **Music, Theater, Dance, Visual Art, Creative Writing, Film & Digital Media, InterArts and Fashion Design**. Graduates of Idyllwild Arts Academy currently excel in every artistic professional field, including Broadway theater, television, classical and jazz music, film, graphic design, photography and more.

- Location: **Idyllwild, CA**
- Founding Year: **1946**
- Campus Size: **205 acres**
- Grade Levels: **9-12, PG**
- Total Enrollment: **291**
- Countries Represented: **35+**
- Average Class Size: **10-12**
- Teacher-Student Ratio: **1:5**
- Faculty with Advanced Degrees: **94%**
- Percentage of Boarding Students: **90%**
- College Acceptance Rate: **100%**



**Changing Lives
Through the Transformative
Power of Art**



Idyllwild Arts

**SCAN CODE TO APPLY
AND LEARN MORE**

Ranked the #1 Boarding School for the Arts in the US by Niche, Idyllwild Arts Academy produces excellent college acceptance results, with consistent admissions to Ivy League and other Top 50 US universities, as well as to top art schools.

- Recent graduates have been accepted by Top 50 Universities and Top Art Schools, including Harvard, Cornell, NYU, Brown, USC, Berklee College of Music, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, California Institute of the Arts and the New York Film Academy.
- School counselors work closely with department heads to oversee college applications for each student. Our counselors specialize in helping students with arts backgrounds prepare for the university admissions process.

Students enjoy a safe campus environment with resort-like boarding facilities. 90% of students at Idyllwild are residential. All rooms are double - occupancy with ensuite bathrooms, and most have mountain views! Faculty and staff members reside in or next to the dormitories, providing 24-hour support for students.



Internationally-acclaimed Art Education and STEAM-infused programs are taught by world-class educators and artists

- Idyllwild Arts offers 8 arts focus programs (majors): Creative Writing, Dance, Fashion, Film & Digital Media, InterArts, Music, Theatre, and Visual Arts.
- Rich college preparatory academic programs and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) courses are offered. Featured programs include the Arts Enterprise Laboratory (AEL) and Art in Society.
- Faculty members include world-renown painters, dancers and artists, professionals from Broadway theaters and Hollywood film productions, as well as university-level educators.

A diverse school community with comprehensive international student support

- Idyllwild Arts Academy is proud to welcome students from 35+ different countries to create a welcoming, inviting and supportive community.
- There is an outstanding, multi-level ELL course curriculum and free 1-on-1 tutoring support is offered 4 days a week to all students.

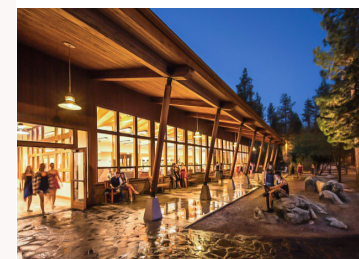
Unique Postgraduate Gap Year Program

- Idyllwild Arts' Postgraduate Program offers a customized curriculum based on a student's goals. Students receive the unique opportunity to work closely with faculty and college counselors to prepare for college auditions, portfolios, and professional life as an artist.

Take advantage of an Arts Education to unlock opportunities to Ivy League schools

Embarking on a journey in the world of art can be a stepping stone to an Ivy League education.

- An arts background demonstrates passion and commitment.** A serious commitment to art distinguishes our students from mainstream applicants and showcases their ability to balance mandatory academics with artistic dedication.
- Unique Extracurricular Profile:** Admissions officers appreciate students with diverse extracurricular pursuits. Artistic endeavors, such as exhibitions, performances, or collaborations, provide evidence of leadership, creativity, and a well-rounded character, all skills highly valued by Ivy League admissions.
- Transferrable Skills:** While art may be the primary focus, skills acquired through this pursuit are highly transferrable to other academic disciplines. Creativity, problem-solving, communication and adaptability are invaluable qualities that can be applied across various fields of study.



Top College Matriculation In The Past 3 Years

- Cornell University
- New York University
- Brown University
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Los Angeles
- Boston University
- Brandeis University
- Tufts University
- Harvard University
- Berklee College of Music
- School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- California Institute of the Arts
- New York Film Academy
- American Musical and Dramatic Academy
- Rhode Island School of Design
- The New School of Jazz
- The Juilliard School
- Royal College of Music
- School of Visual Arts
- University of the Arts London
- Vancouver Film School

Admissions

Grades	9-12, Post-Graduate Year
Language Requirements	Depends on Major
Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Online Applications Essay depending on Major Portfolio (For major-specific portfolio requirements, please refer to: https://idyllwildarts.org/academy/audition-portfolio-requirements/)
Interview	REQUIRED
Tuition + Boarding	\$76,400*

*Additional fees apply depending on major; for other additional fees please refer to: <https://idyllwildarts.org/academy/tuition-scholarships-financial-aid/>