



Partner Institutions

BARD COLLEGE
CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF THE ARTS

POSSE ARTS PROGRAM



Dear Posse Nominee:

Congratulations on your nomination for the Posse Arts Scholarship. If you're reading this, you've just completed your first-round interview. You were nominated for a reason, and we're so glad to have met you in person.

Now that you know more about Posse, it's going to be important for you to familiarize yourself with the Posse Arts program's partner institutions: California Institute of the Arts and Bard College. This booklet presents a brief profile of each of these top institutions with renowned arts programs. These schools offer programs in architecture, art history, dance, film, electronic arts, music, photography, studio arts and theater, to name a few.

Take a look, but also research these institutions further on your own.

Good luck. We'll be in touch soon.

Posse





CONCEPT

Posse started in 1989 because of one student who said,

“I NEVER WOULD HAVE DROPPED OUT OF COLLEGE IF I HAD MY POSSE WITH ME.”

The Posse Foundation identifies public high school students with extraordinary academic and leadership potential who may be overlooked by traditional college selection processes. The Foundation extends to these students the opportunity to pursue personal and academic excellence by placing them in supportive, multicultural teams—Posses—of 10 students. The Foundation’s partner colleges and universities award Posse Scholars full-tuition leadership scholarships.

THREE GOALS

1. To expand the pool from which top colleges and universities can recruit outstanding young leaders from diverse backgrounds.
2. To help these institutions build more interactive campus environments so they can become more welcoming for people from all backgrounds.
3. To ensure that Posse Scholars persist in their academic studies and graduate so they can take on leadership positions in the workforce.



Bard

LOCATION: Annandale-on-Hudson, New York

CLOSEST CITY: New York, New York

UNDERGRADUATE POPULATION: 1,900

WEBSITE: www.bard.edu

Bard is an independent, four-year college of the liberal arts and sciences, 90 miles from New York City, that inspires a love of learning and a commitment to the link between higher education and civic participation. Academic fields are multidisciplinary and are part of an extensive international network. The Division of the Arts is particularly diverse, with programs ranging from Studio Arts to Theater and Performance. Bard clubs and student activities emphasize creativity and innovation within these fields. Arts faculty are active in their areas of expertise and stress the connection between learning and engagement outside the classroom.

QUICK FACTS

- » Bard's Division of the Arts is home to majors in: Architecture, Art History and Visual Culture, Dance, Film and Electronic Arts, Music, Photography, Studio Arts, and Theater and Performance.
- » World-class facilities on Bard's 1,000-acre campus include the Richard B. Fisher Center for the Performing Arts and the Hessel Museum of Art, a contemporary collection of more than 3,000 works.
- » A student production of *Oklahoma!* made headlines in 2015 at Bard's renowned annual SummerScape festival, and won a Tony Award on Broadway four years later.
- » Live Arts Bard is a laboratory for new performance at Bard. It focuses on developing a community of visiting artists and students who work side by side on creative projects.
- » The Bard College Dance Program and Gibney, a New York City-based dance and social justice organization led by founder Gina Gibney, began a partnership in fall 2020.

This partnership exclusively recruits from Puerto Rico





CaLARTS

LOCATION: Valencia, California

CLOSEST CITY: Los Angeles, California

UNDERGRADUATE POPULATION: 1,025

WEBSITE: www.calarts.edu

California Institute of the Arts is renowned internationally as a game-changer in the education of professional artists. The transformative cultural impact of our alumni shows why: We bring out visionary creative talent unlike any other university, school, or conservatory. An inclusive community for a diversity of authentic voices and multidisciplinary collaboration, CalArts today offers more than 70 comprehensive degree programs in the visual, performing, and media arts designed to develop original creative and help students find full expression in the wider world. There are approximately 1,100 undergraduate students across its six schools: Art, Critical Studies, Dance, Film/Video, Music, and Theater.

QUICK FACTS

- » 900+ annual events on campus, from gallery exhibitions to music, dance, and theater performances to film screenings and readings.
- » CalArts is located a short-distance north of Los Angeles, a 21st century epicenter for the visual, performing, and media arts.
- » CalArts offers an open, globally-minded student body that benefits from a diverse array of background and experiences. Students come from 42 states, District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, and 56 countries.
- » The worldwide alumni network is 19,000 strong and growing.

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