

Fine Arts 22'

Fine Arts
2024



WHAT IS FINE ARTS?

Fine Arts is a tool to help discover, develop, and deploy students' God-given talents for grades 6-12.

Students are given the opportunity to learn new skills and meet new friends.

Fine Arts includes a District and National competition (This year, Districts will be held in Orlando, Florida, and Nationals will be held in Columbus, Ohio) which attracts thousands of students from across the nation to compete in various ministry - related categories (see page #8). The program begins with weekly practices for team events in *January* and concludes with the national competition in *August*.

THE COMMITMENT.

Payment Plan

- Every student is committed to the Fine Arts Payment Plan.

The Mix Orl

- Every student is committed to actively attend The Mix Orlando (Wednesdays - 7pm)

Fine Arts Team

- Every student is committed to travel with the team (That includes transportation to and from districts/nationals, lodging, and meals).
- Every student is also committed to a weekly practice schedule.
- Every student is also committed to competing in Choir category during the district fine arts festival.



PAYMENT PLAN

- Dec 3rd \$50
- Jan 18th \$30 x # of categories
- Feb 15th \$50
- Mar 8th \$50
- Apr 5th \$50

TOTAL DISTRICT COST: \$200 registration + \$30/category.

NATIONALS COST: estimated \$1,000 registration + \$30/category

NATIONALS DEPOSIT: May 1st, \$200.00

ALL FEES ARE NONREFUNDABLE

STUDENTS WILL NOT BE PLACED ON A TEAM UNTIL FIRST PAYMENT IS RECEIVED WITH ALL THE FORMS.



WHAT DOES MY COST INCLUDE?

LODGING

Hotel for District Fine Arts (2 Nights)
Hotel for National Fine Arts (5 Nights)

SHIRT

Choir T-Shirt

Registration

Districts (1 category - Choir) and Nationals (1 category - Choir)
(Additional categories are \$25 per category)

Transportation

Transportation to and from District and National
Transportation at Nationals

CATEGORIES

Instrumental Division

Brass solo
Guitar solo
Piano solo
Percussion, unconventional
String solo
Instrumental ensemble
Percussion, traditional (jr./sr.)
Wind Solo

Vocal Division

Choir
Female vocal solo (jr./sr./spanish)
Male vocal solo (jr./sr./spanish)
Musical Theater (solo (jr./sr.)
Musical Theater (small / large)
Songwriting
Rap (solo/group)
Worship Team
Vocal Ensemble (large/spanish/small)
Vocal solo classical

Communication Division

American Sign Language
Children's Lesson (solo and group)
Puppetry (solo and group)
Short Sermon (jr./sr./spanish)
Spoken Word
Readers Theater
Comedy Solo

Writing Division

Poetry (jr./sr.)
Book Chapter (jr./sr.)
Children's Literature Flash Fiction
First person essay (jr./sr.)
Mini Saga

Dance Division

Step (solo and group)
Urban (solo and group)
Worship Dance (solo (jr./sr.) and group)

Art Division

Graphic Design
Fiber Arts
Photography (film, digital (jr./sr.), mobile (jr./sr.))
Visual Art (2D and 3D)

Drama Division

Drama ensemble (solo, small, large)
Dramatized quoting (solo, group)
Human Video* (solo (jr./sr.), small, large,
spanish)

***Human Video is an intense category with a lot of practices. It is also a very popular category which requires tryouts.**

IMPORTANT DATES

District Competition Dates.

April 18th - 20th, 2024

Faith Assembly of God

9307 Curry Ford Rd

Orlando, FL 32825

Nationals Competition Dates.

August 5th - August 9th, 2024

Great Columbus Convention Center

400 North High Street

Columbus, OH 43215



PARENT MEETING:

January 7th - 1:00-2:00pm

April 7th - 1:00-2:00pm

HUMAN VIDEO AUDITION:

November 19th: 1:00-2:30

Human Video

Human video is a very demanding physically and schedule wise. Due to the growing amount of interest in the category, we will have auditions. Not everyone will make the human video team. As there are only a few coaches, and a lot of students who wish to participate.

Human Video auditions: November 19th

PRACTICE INFORMATION

GROUP PRACTICES.

The majority of weekly group practice times for Large Human Videos will be scheduled for Sunday afternoons. Other category practices will be based upon the coaches' and students' availability. During the weeks prior to the competition, the team might add a few week day practices. PLEASE BE ON TIME!

INDIVIDUAL CATEGORIES.

Students are responsible to practice their individual categories on their own (Students can schedule a meeting with one of our coaches if they want additional help or church space)

SUMMER SEASON

In May, we will send out a summer calendar . It's very important that students prioritize these dates (Please tell your students' coaches about family vacations as early as possible). The number of practices will only increase if a need is foreseen.

GUIDELINES

OTHER CATEGORIES:

We encourage you to participate in as many categories as you would like! However, please make sure to use discretion as you select your categories. Overcommitting can make the Fine Arts experience too stressful and hectic.

ATTENDANCE POLICY:

The team leads will closely monitor attendance, both absences and tardiness. *If for whatever reason during the season, absences or tardiness become excessive, the student will receive contact via phone call. If attendance issues continue, the student will be recommended for removal from team, forfeiting any funds in their Fine Arts account.*

Please make sure all communication goes through team leads PRIOR to the day of practice, with the exclusion of emergency situations.

CHARACTER STATEMENT:

It is our desire that all of our team members and leadership will uphold the integrity standards and character of Church In The Son. If there is any questionable behavior that goes against the values of CITS, we will address the situation with the individual. Depending on the severity of the behavior, an action plan will be put in to place to assist in the student's life. We desire proper growth for each of our students.

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DISCIPLINARY ACTION:

The following details are expectations for our students during their commitment to Fine Arts. The team leads will document instances where students did not abide to the guidelines. Upon review of the situation, Pastor PJ or the Mix leadership team will determine a plan of action. If the situation is extreme, it will result in removal and forfeiture of funds.

DRESS CODE:

All students must bring an appropriate outfit for practice. Please remember that most group categories involve lifting, tumbling, etc. Below is a list of inappropriate items for practice:

Spaghetti straps, tank tops, crop tops, see-through clothing, skirts, low cut tops, or extremely tight clothing.

ELIGIBILITY:

Fine Arts is a National Ministry of the Assemblies of God, and they require all students to be actively attending an Assemblies of God Church. While some of our students call other churches home for Sunday mornings, we require our student to be actively attending CITS services.

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FINANCIAL:

One of the largest obstacles with participation in Fine Arts can be the financial commitment. To help ease the financial burden, we have stretched payments over the course of the Fine Arts season. If your student chooses to quit or is removed for disciplinary **will not be refunded.** reasons, any payments made

FUNDRAISERS:

Fundraisers are held from time to time to help offset the costs of the Fine Arts season. Additional team fundraisers can be done throughout the season as soon as Pastor PJ approves them. Please communicate with team leads and Mix Staff throughout the year if you are having any difficulty with payments.

GOSSIPING:

One of the greatest hindrances of team unity is gossip. Gossip is defined as the discussion of a situation and not being a part of the problem or solution. Gossip will not be tolerated! If gossip occurs, the members involved in the activity will be suspended from practice, and the situation will be resolved immediately with all parties involved.

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PRACTICE ROOMS:

We strive to provide adequate practice rooms in close vicinity to each other at the church. We ask that all students abide by room policies and not tamper with temperatures in the rooms.

RELATIONSHIP:

No inappropriate PDA (Personal Display of Affection) will occur during Fine Arts practices, or the District and National Festivals. If problems occur, students will meet with Pastor PJ or the Mix staff, and any subsequent issues will result in the recommendation of removal from the team.

RESPECT:

All of our team leadership sacrifices their time every week to ensure that we are able to have a Fine Arts program. The one thing that we ask of our students is that they are respectful of their supervision. If a student cannot abide by this policy at any given practice, they will be asked to leave and parents will be notified

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WHATSAPP:

With the growing amount of students involved in Student Church Fine Arts, it is imperative that we continue to strive in making communication a priority. It is very difficult for this to happen without proper information. Most teams use the WHATSAPP app, which is free and easy to use and available for both Android and Apple devices. This is constantly updated with practice information. **Please make sure your child is active in WHATSAPP.**

TEAM PLACEMENT:

Many small teams are formed by students on their own time. They form teams based on their availability. **We DO conduct auditions for *Human Video*.**