

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

Our arts program urges students to think about the arts beyond the studio or stage, and consider how they intersect with society, history, literature, science, and technology. Investigate the creative process through a variety of lenses, including Western Civilization: History of the Arts, AP Art History, and more.



Students collaborating in the uLab, our fabrication and design thinking space.

ARTS FACILITIES & RESOURCES

Spacious painting and drawing studio with plenty of natural light, easels, and large work tables

Ceramics studio with ten pottery wheels, three outdoor kilns, and a large indoor/outdoor work area

Wet darkroom equipped with sixteen enlargers in the photography studio

Digital photography classroom offering DSLR cameras, post production software, and professional printing capability

Our brand new uLab features traditional shop tools plus laser cutter, 3D printers, computer-controlled router and more.

Classrooms outfitted for digital projector use

Two soundproof classrooms and specifically-designed spaces to house our larger ensembles, as well intimate chamber groups

MIDI lab/recording studio with powerhouse digital audio work stations that are loaded with state-of-the-art software

Ample storage for our extensive instrument collection

Music library that houses our expansive collection of sheet music

Our state-of-the-art theater features raked seating with an audience capacity of over 400, catwalks with professional lighting equipment, optimum acoustical design, and cutting-edge audio and visual technologies including LED moving lights

2019-2020 CALENDAR

JACKSON STREET GALLERY EXHIBITIONS

September 13 – October 25 | Artist's Reception: September 13, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

November 1 – November 29 | Artist's Reception: November 1, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

January 31 – March 8 | Artist's Reception: January 31, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

AP STUDIO ART SHOW

April 2 – April 24 | Artist's Reception: April 2, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

THEATRE

Fall Play | Preview, October 24, Noon | October 25 & 26, 7:30 p.m.

Winter Play | Preview, January 23, Noon | January 24 & 25, 7:30 p.m.

Student Drama Series | February 28, 4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Spring Musical | Preview: April 23, Noon | April 24-25, 7:30 p.m. and April 26, 5:00 p.m.

MUSIC

Fall Concert | November 7, 7:00 p.m.

Projects in Music 4.1: Fall Recitals | November 11-12, Lunch and after school

Spring Concert | March 13, 7:00 p.m.

Projects in Music Recitals 4.2: Spring Recitals | April 27-28, Lunch and after school

FESTIVALS

Winter Arts Festival

December 6 | Student Artists' Reception: 5:30-7:00 p.m. Concert: 7:00 p.m.

Spring Arts Festival

May 19 | Student Artists' Reception 5:30-7:00 p.m. | Concert: 7:00 p.m.



Theatre tickets may be purchased on sfuhs.org/arts. All other events are free and open to the public.

For more information go to sfuhs.org/arts or call 415.447.3136



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DISCOVER THE ARTS UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL

Discover the contributions the arts have made and continue to make to humankind. Start out by learning the basic elements that are the foundation of visual arts, music, and theatre, and go on to pursue mastery if you choose.

VISUAL ARTS

Painting, drawing, photography, ceramics, and sculpture classes scaffold from beginning to advanced, with a robust Independent Study Program allowing students to pursue interests outside of course offerings. Our students mature into creative and conceptual thinkers as they explore different media and techniques, as well as practices and strategies that dovetail with art history courses. Reflections, critiques, and group discussions are fundamental rubrics in each course, building students' abilities to communicate and assess their individual growth. Over time, students will build art portfolios with the potential to progress to the level of AP Studio Art.



VISUAL ARTS BEYOND UHS

We visit inspirational Bay Area institutions such as SFMOMA, Minnesota Street Project, and Pier 24 Photography. Professional artists exhibit in our gallery, curated by our arts faculty. Students attend prestigious summer and semester arts programs and are named California Arts Scholars by the California State Summer School for the Arts (CSSSA). Our faculty regularly exhibit their own work in professional settings.



THEATRE

We offer students a wide variety of experiences in acting, technical theatre, and theatre-making. Students learn from theatre professionals of all kinds and are given the opportunity to learn to act, dance, and sing on stage; write, direct, and produce their own short play; design lights, sound, set, props, or costumes for a show; and stage manage a mainstage production. We produce three major shows each year: a classic play, a contemporary play, and a musical. Our annual Student Drama Series highlights advanced student work. We regularly attend professional productions in the Bay Area and at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, Oregon.



THEATRE BEYOND UHS

Students regularly attend summer theatre programs including: Northwestern University's High School Institute in Theatre, the Oregon Shakespeare Festival's Summer Seminar for High School Juniors, CSSSA's acting program, and the Walnut Hill School for the Arts. Students participate in summer internships throughout the Bay Area, including San Francisco Shakespeare Festival, San Francisco Mime Troupe, and Shotgun Players.

MUSIC

UHS musicians and singers go beyond the fundamentals of their craft, telling stories and captivating audiences with their passionate performances. Here you can learn to play a new musical instrument, learn to sing, and read music. Students of all levels of experience can perform in ensemble groups, conduct a musical group, compose, arrange, and digitally record an original piece. Develop your unique musical voice in the Music Projects class and through the Independent Study Program. We offer the opportunity to perform at four annual school concerts and two annual project recitals hosted by UHS, and at other venues off campus. Field trips allow students to experience live performances of a variety of musical styles throughout the Bay Area.



MUSIC BEYOND UHS

Our musicians and singers are given access to exceptional opportunities to record, compete and perform. Jazz Ensemble has performed at jazz festivals in New York City, Santa Cruz, San Mateo, C.S.U. East Bay, and Reno. The album, *In Full Swing*, was recorded by the Jazz Ensemble at the world-famous Fantasy Studios in Berkeley. Camerata has performed in the Chanticleer Choral Festival, Junior Bach Festival, and more. Advanced musicians regularly perform at Davies Hall, the Church of John Coltrane, and more.