

Governor's School for the Arts

Every summer for the past twenty-nine years, GSA and our faculty of professional artist/educators have guided over two hundred of Kentucky's finest young artists through three weeks of incredibly intense (and incredibly fun) arts instruction. GSA auditions promising high school sophomores and juniors in nine different arts disciplines: Architecture + Design, Creative Writing, Dance, Drama, Instrumental Music, Musical Theatre, Film + Photography, Visual Art and Vocal Music.

For three solid weeks residing on a college campus, the students discover the power of their art and their place as an artist. It's a thrilling, often life-changing experience, as they meet new friends, explore their creativity, and discover new things about who they are and who they can be in the future.

Alumni Support

Scholarships

Because GSA alumni are talented and driven individuals who want to make a difference in their communities, 30 colleges and universities (both inside and outside of Kentucky) offer [scholarship opportunities](#) to GSA alumni.

College and Career Day

Representatives from over 80 colleges and universities from across the country audition and interview graduates in the fall during GSA's College and Career Day. Students can meet with representatives from such prestigious programs as the Savannah College of Art and Design and the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music, along with great programs from the University of Kentucky, the University of Louisville, Transylvania University, Morehead State University, Bellarmine University, Centre College, Eastern Kentucky University, Western Kentucky University, and many more.

Life-Long Connections

GSA network consists of over 5,000 alumni. Once an alumnus, GSA offers a lifetime of network and support. Alumni have the opportunity to apply for the Toyota Alumni Fund (TAF) a fund set up to support alumni in professional development or community based creative projects. GSA asks alumni to perform and speak at events across the state and to be advocates for the arts in their communities. Alumni often return to GSA to work in many capacities including summer staff, guests artists and faculty members.

OUR RESULTS

The truth is, GSA creates opportunities far beyond arts instruction. Here are some facts about GSA alumni:

- 98% go on to college
- 98% earn scholarships
- GSA Alumni average total scholarship value = \$79,600
- GSA alumni score 7.2 points higher on the ACT than the national average
- GSA alumni score 8.5 points higher on the ACT than the Kentucky average

Xarely Chavez, Creative Writing

Byran Caldwell, Instrumental Music-Saxophone

Kevin Lausche, Musical Theater