



SIMSBURY ARTS ACADEMY



SIMSBURY DEPARTMENT OF CONTINUING EDUCATION

Summer 2016

Tuesday, July 12–Friday, July 29, 2016  
@ Simsbury High School  
8:45 a.m.–1:15 p.m.

**Visual Arts Academy**  
**Strings Academy**  
**Musical Theater Academy**  
**Fashion Design Academy**  
**Jazz Academy**

3-WEEK PROGRAMS  
IN VISUAL ARTS,  
PERFORMING ARTS &  
MUSIC

For Students  
Entering Grades  
4–12

HAPPY  
10<sup>th</sup>  
BIRTHDAY SAA!

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## Course Descriptions

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**SAA40 MUSICAL THEATER ACADEMY** (Grades 7-10): Musical Theater Academy is a three-week intensive program that focuses on learning and implementing the basic elements of successful onstage training in acting, vocal music and dance in a fun, engaging and rewarding camp-like atmosphere. The program will culminate in a performance of *Once On This Island Jr.* on Friday, July 29th at 7:00PM. **Limit 25 cast members.**

**SAA41 STRINGS ACADEMY** (Grades 4-12): This premier program provides students with instruction that matches their exact needs. Our highly professional strings faculty ratio of 1 to 8 students provides instruction that is motivational, nurturing and highly focused. The daily schedule consists of practice, small ensemble work or private lessons, music theory, and for most a beginning or more advanced orchestra rehearsal conducted by one of our master teaching artists. A wonderful recital culminates the SAA Strings experience. Students will leave confident and improved, loving their string instrument more than ever!

**SAA42 JAZZ ACADEMY** (Grades 5-12): Jazz Academy offers students an opportunity to be part of exciting ensembles as they

begin or continue their musical band studies. Repertoire will draw upon classical jazz, Latin jazz and small ensemble works. (See registration form for details on programming options.)

**SAA43 FASHION DESIGN ACADEMY** (Grades 8-12): This program is designed for students who are intrigued by the world of fashion design and would like to learn more about it in an intensive, supportive environment. Students will explore trends in fashion, learn to sketch the figure and design and construct apparel and accessories that are unique and creative. They will learn techniques such as fabric manipulation, sewing, printing and dyeing. The Fashion Design Academy also introduces students to the fashion industry and to fashion careers by offering an all-day, career-oriented field trip. This summer's destination is The Metropolitan Museum of Art in NYC to view the exhibition, *Manus x Machina: Fashion in the Age of Technology*, which will explore how fashion designers are reconciling the handmade and the machine-made in the creation of high fashion. The field trip transportation cost and itinerary will be sent home with students the first day of class.

**SAA44 VISUAL ARTS ACADEMY** (Grades 8-12): Students are encouraged to explore a variety of materials, techniques and process by enrolling in three studio options.

- A WHEEL THROWN AND HAND-BUILT CERAMICS:** Taught in a state-of-the-art ceramics studio, each student will have their own pottery wheel to use the entire session. Under the guidance of our teaching artist, students may choose to combine hand-built elements with their wheel thrown work. An offsite experience in a professional ceramic studio is planned this summer in order for students to learn alternate firing and glazing techniques. This class is recommended for any student at any level, including those building an AP or art school portfolio. Students building portfolios are encouraged to double or triple their time in this studio. An additional clay and glaze fee of \$30 will be collected in the SAA office at SHS. The field trip cost and itinerary will be sent home with students the first day of class.
- B PORTFOLIO PREPARATION/DRAWING AND PAINTING FOUNDATIONS:** Working in a variety of drawing and painting media, students will develop their ability to render and paint what they imagine and see. This class is recommended for any student at any level, including beginners; those building an AP or art school or architecture portfolio. Students building portfolios are encouraged to double or triple their time in this studio. Additional fees may apply.
- C DOODLES, TANGLES AND MORE:** Tangles are a fun and creative art form that requires no artistic training whatsoever to enjoy. Similar to doodling, but more formulaic in nature, there are limitless possibilities to creating something beautiful. Students will explore published patterns, invent their own and be able to apply their designs to many different surfaces, using a variety of material.
- D SCREEN PRINTMAKING:** This class will give the student designer an exciting method for making creative visions come to life. Through the technique of photo-silkscreen printing, students will create logo designs, fabric patterns and poster imagery. They will incorporate Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop and iPad apps, such as Inkpad and Art Studio, to generate exciting visual imagery into silkscreens. No drawing skills are needed to enjoy and benefit from this class.
- E PHOTOGRAPHY:** This class is intended to be a first time experience for students considering photography as a way to express themselves artistically or as a means to learn about possible uses for photography as a career. Students will learn technical skills, but more importantly, enjoy the creative process. More advanced students may enroll in this course as an independent study, with instructor guidance, if they are building their AP portfolio. Photo walks and a photo field trip are planned.
- F COMIC AND MANGA STUDIO EXPERIENCE:** Join comic creator and publisher Matt Ryan of Free Lunch Studios to create new and exciting concepts! From plot to page, students are guided step by step through the process of comic creation. Focus will be on writing, concept design, layout, illustration and digital application.
- G FIBER ARTS:** This wonderful new class exposes students to a style of fine art that uses textiles such as fabric, yarn and natural and synthetic fibers. It focuses on the creating process as part of its significance. Students will spin, weave, embroider, embellish and dye fabric and fibers to create fine and wearable art. This class is appropriate for students preparing an AP portfolio in 2D or 3D design.
- SAA45 ALL ABOUT THE ARTS** (Grades 4-6 & 7-8): Variety is the spice of life, and this option is for the student who would like to sample SAA offerings across the art disciplines. Every effort will be made to enroll students in their top 3 choices.
- A NATURE DRAWING AND PAINTING:** Using organic forms, sea life, animals and the great outdoors as inspiration, we will explore many materials to create original works of art. We will go on nature walks to sketch and gather materials. Bring your imagination and creativity.
- B ACTING WORKSHOP: TWELFTH NIGHT FOR KIDS:** In this class, we will learn basic acting techniques, which will help you build confidence on stage. Included in this workshop will be lessons in voice, movement, expression, stage combat and how to work with simple props. The play includes actual lines from Shakespeare's script but is presented in a kid friendly manner. The play features a woman who disguises herself as a man after a shipwreck so that she can obtain employment in the community where the shipwreck happened. Hilarity ensues as there is a mistaken identity with characters falling in love and carrying out practical jokes. The plot thickens; truths and identities are revealed and characters are reunited.
- C CLAY AND SCULPTURE EXPLORATIONS:** In this class, we will explore a variety of techniques to create 3D artwork. We will create artwork from clay, wire, wood, model magic and plaster. You will be able to choose materials that best help communicate your unique and imaginative ideas.

Questions???

Call Jody at  
(860) 658-0451  
ext. 630

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## General Information

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**REGISTRATION:** The SAA faculty and staff of SAA are committed to providing a high quality summer arts program. Class sizes will be appropriate for each arts discipline and will not be overenrolled. First come; first serve! Only completed registration form, *including a completed health form*, will be accepted.

**FACULTY AND STAFF:** Our instructors are the best. They are public school arts educators or university or master teaching artists. Our teaching assistants are college interns studying music art, drama or dance. See faculty bios on website.

**SCHEDULE:** Each student is hand scheduled. An information packet will be emailed home mid June, including the student schedule, and items to bring to SAA.

**HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT:** Simsbury students wishing to apply for high school ½ credit in the arts must carefully read the guidelines for credit published in the DCE Summer Session Brochure.

**MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS:** Students bring their own unless otherwise indicated on information packet.

**ATMOSPHERE:** An inquiring and open mind is required. Fun, creativity and excitement are expected. Dress comfortably for our summer months with appropriateness in mind.

**DROP OFF:** SHS main lobby entrance at 8:40 a.m.

**PICK UP:** SHS 1:15 p.m. main entrance. *Please be prompt.*

**PHONE CALLS:** SHS: 658-0451, ext. 630, DCE: 658-3870. Please keep phone calls limited to emergencies only.

**PART-TIME STUDENT INQUIRIES:** SAA is a full-time Arts program and expected to fill rapidly. Students desiring two weeks may request so for \$575 for the two weeks. Email the Director of SAA [crehm@simsbury.k12.ct.us](mailto:crehm@simsbury.k12.ct.us) for more information.

**D STEPPING INTO FASHION:** Our young designers will be introduced to the world of fashion design and basic sewing while creating their very own fashion design and accessories. We will incorporate fabric with some very interesting materials such as recyclables. Designers will show off their "collection" during an end-of-session fashion exhibition.

**E MUSICAL THEATER BUGS:** Become involved in the infectious fun of musical theater through song, movement and voice. You will become a cast of friends learning to perform scenes from joyful productions such as *The Lion King*, *Mary Poppins*, *Wicked* and more. Be ready to catch the bug!

**F GLOBAL ART: EAST MEETS WEST:** This class draws content from a variety of cultures and multiple art forms. In a collaborative setting, students explore the purposes for art around the world, and make functional and non-functional art using many different art materials. Exciting projects are planned such as multicultural costume making, masks, musical instruments and more.

**G CARTOON ADVENTURES:** You will have an opportunity to work with a professional cartoonist to create exciting characters in this awesome class. Bring life to new characters through body language, posture, emotion and clothing. Students will achieve new levels of character design focusing on gesture, simple shapes, anatomy and more. Students will complete the course with their own database of new and unique creations.

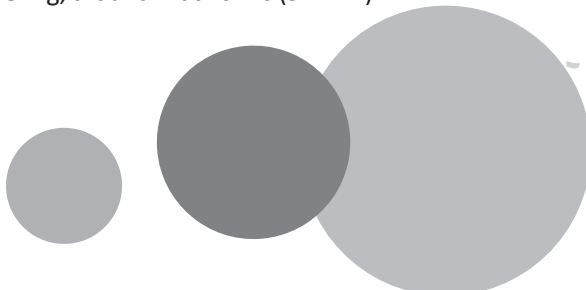
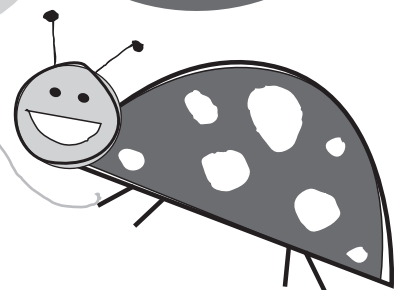
**H VIDEO VENTURES:** Produce your own videos in this fun and creative class. You will explore the world of stop motion animation, making miniature sets and taking photos of objects as they are moved around to create the illusion of continuous motion. Other video styles will be explored, such as short films, music videos or public service announcements.

**I PHOTOGRAPHY EXPLORATIONS:** Immerse yourself in the amazing world of Photography. Using a variety of subject matter for inspiration you will learn photographic techniques including editing in Photoshop. Photographic walks and a photographic field trip are planned. Bring your own camera or use one of ours.

**J YOUNG ARCHITECTS:** This exciting workshop introduces students to architectural design (2D) and construction concepts (3D) through hands on problem solving. You will use your brainpower integrating, science, technology, engineering, art and math skills (STEAM).

Space is  
limited...  
Register  
today!

Catch the  
Musical  
Theater Bug!



Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Entering Grade \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

**FEES: All fees are due on May 20, 2016**

Resident \$675	\$ _____
Non-resident \$695	\$ _____
Deposit of \$350	\$ _____
Non-refundable registration fee	\$ 3.00

**Optional T-Shirt: \$20**

Youth M	<input type="checkbox"/>	Youth L	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Adult S	<input type="checkbox"/>	Adult M	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____
Adult L	<input type="checkbox"/>	Adult XL	<input type="checkbox"/>	

**TOTAL PAID: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Make checks payable to:** Simsbury Department of Continuing Education, 155 Firetown Rd., Simsbury, CT 06070 *OR*

**NEW!** Register online at [www.simsbury.k12.ct.us/dce](http://www.simsbury.k12.ct.us/dce).

**Will you be applying for SHS 1/2 credits in the Arts?**

Yes  No  (see criteria according to DCE policy)

## MUSICAL THEATER ACADEMY

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## STRINGS ACADEMY

### \_\_\_ SAA41

**Strings Academy** (Grades 4-12)  
Strings Academy offers students two options. First-time string students are encouraged to select Option 2.

**OPTION 1**

- Instrument of choice (group lesson, music theory and small ensemble)
- String Orchestra
- Advanced Chamber Ensemble
- Your choice of one Arts selection:

Please select an arts class from **SAA44 Visual Arts Academy** or **SAA45 All About the Arts**.

1st choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate choice: \_\_\_\_\_

**OPTION 2**

- Instrument of choice (group lesson, music theory and small ensemble)
- Your choice of two Arts selections:

Please select an arts class from **SAA44 Visual Arts Academy** or **SAA45 All About the Arts**.

1st choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate choice: \_\_\_\_\_

2nd choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate choice: \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUMENT:**

- Violin Years studied: \_\_\_\_\_
- Viola Years studied: \_\_\_\_\_
- Cello Years studied: \_\_\_\_\_
- Bass Years studied: \_\_\_\_\_

## JAZZ ACADEMY

### \_\_\_ SAA42 Jazz Academy

(Grades 5-12)  
Jazz Academy offers students an opportunity to be part of an exciting ensemble as they begin or continue their music studies. The Academy provides:

- Lessons on instrument of choice (group lesson, music theory and small ensemble)
- Traditional Jazz & Latin Jazz large ensemble
- Your choice of one Arts selection:

Please select an arts class from **SAA44 Visual Arts Academy** or **SAA45 All About the Arts**.

1st choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate choice: \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUMENT:** For students who play multiple instruments select a 1st & 2nd choice in brackets and write number of years studied on line.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Trombone _____ yrs                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Trumpet _____ yrs      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tenor/Alto Sax _____ yrs                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Flute _____ yrs        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baritone Sax _____ yrs                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Clarinet _____ yrs     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Guitar _____ yrs  | <input type="checkbox"/> Piano _____ yrs        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electric Bass _____ yrs                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Drums _____ yrs        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Acoustic Bass _____ yrs                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Double Reeds _____ yrs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> French Horn _____ yrs                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Euphonium _____ yrs    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Latin Percussion<br>(Congas, Timbales, Bongo) _____ yrs |   |

## FASHION DESIGN ACADEMY

### \_\_\_ SAA43 Fashion Design Academy

(Grades 8-12)  
This program is designed for students who are intrigued by the world of fashion design and would like to learn more about it in an intensive supportive environment.

## VISUAL ARTS ACADEMY

### \_\_\_ SAA44

### Visual Arts Academy (Grades 8-12)

You will receive a total of **3** program choices. Number your **TOP 5** choices in order of preference on the lines below.

List Top Choices (#1-5)  
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- \_\_\_\_\_ **A** Wheel Thrown and Hand-Built Ceramics
- \_\_\_\_\_ **B** Portfolio Preparation: Drawing and Painting Foundations
- \_\_\_\_\_ **C** Doodles, Tangles and More
- \_\_\_\_\_ **D** Screen Printmaking
- \_\_\_\_\_ **E** Photography
- \_\_\_\_\_ **F** Comic and Manga Studio Experience
- \_\_\_\_\_ **G** Fiber Arts

### \_\_\_ SAA45

### All About the Arts (Grades 4-6 & 7-8)

You will receive a total of **3** program choices. Number your **TOP 5** choices in order of preference on the lines below.

List Top Choices (#1-5)  
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- \_\_\_\_\_ **A** Nature Drawing and Painting
- \_\_\_\_\_ **B** Acting Workshop: *Twelfth Night* for Kids
- \_\_\_\_\_ **C** Clay and Sculpture Explorations
- \_\_\_\_\_ **D** Stepping Into Fashion
- \_\_\_\_\_ **E** Musical Theater Bugs
- \_\_\_\_\_ **F** Global Art: East Meets West
- \_\_\_\_\_ **G** Cartoon Adventures
- \_\_\_\_\_ **H** Video Ventures
- \_\_\_\_\_ **I** Photography Explorations
- \_\_\_\_\_ **J** Young Architects