

INCOMING FRESHMAN APPLICATION FALL 2017 ADMISSION

FRESHMAN APPLICATION STEPS.....

Thank you for your interest in applying to The Chicago High School for the Arts! Here are the steps for admission:

1. Application. A complete application is achieved by finishing this checklist:

- Accurately complete and sign the application. **The application must be signed by the student and a parent/guardian.**
- Provide a copy of 7th grade standardized test scores showing percentile or stanines for Reading & Math (NWEA, ISAT, Terra Nova, ITBS, etc).
- Provide a copy of 7th grade attendance report, showing unexcused absences. These can usually be found on the 7th grade cumulative report card.
- Deliver all of the above materials via email, mail, fax, in-person or in one envelope to the address listed below no later than 5:00 pm on December 14, 2016.

Please note that our application deadline is earlier than many schools, including selective enrollment; please plan accordingly. Applications and records sent by U.S. Mail or Chicago Public School mail run (G.S.R # 35) must be **received** by December 14, 2016. You may also fax your application and/or student records to 773.534.4022, Attn: Admissions.

It is the responsibility of the student and family to ensure that the application and documents are received by ChiArts. The application deadline is firm at Friday, December 14, 2016 at 5:00 pm. Applications received after December 14 will not be considered. Applications that do not have their supporting documents (test scores and absences) delivered to ChiArts by December 14 at 5:00 pm will not be considered.

2. Audition. ChiArts will begin notifying students in December 2016 if they are eligible to audition. **Not every applicant is guaranteed an audition; academic requirements must be met.** If eligible, an audition date and time will be scheduled for weekends in January and February. Students will be notified of their audition by e-mail. If an e-mail is not listed, we will use the mailing address listed.

Please note: due to the high volume of applications, phone inquiries are not taken regarding a student's status. Please direct all inquiries to admissions@chiarts.org.

By applying to ChiArts, you are agreeing to be available on one of the ChiArts audition dates. If selected, you must attend one of the dates; no alternate auditions outside of these dates will be scheduled. Audition date for 2017 are: January 14, 21, 28; February 4, 11. Weekday evening auditions may be scheduled at Admissions Manager's discretion.

Residency: Non-Chicago residents may apply, but any student accepted into ChiArts must provide proof of City of Chicago residency by July 1st prior to their first term at ChiArts.

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Mail or deliver your complete application and supporting documents no later than Decemeber 14, 2016 at 5:00 pm to:

Attention: Admissions
The Chicago High School for the Arts
2714 W Augusta
Chicago, IL 60622
Or fax to 773.534.4022, Attn: Admissions
Or via CPS Mail Run: G.S. R. #35

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SECTION I - APPLICANT INFORMATION

Please Note: It is important that you provide accurate, updated information. ChiArts contacts you via the information that you provide on this application. If a family supplies us with a email address and phone number, we assume that the family sees it as a proper form of communication, and will check it regularly.

Student's Name: _____
 First Middle Initial Last

Home Address: _____
 Street Unit/Apt #

 City State Zip Code

Primary Phone: (_____) _____ Primary E-mail: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Present Age: ____ Gender: Male ____ Female ____ Trans ____

- Race/Ethnicity: Black or African American White Non-Hispanic Hispanic or Latino Asian
 Hawaiian/Pacific Islander American Indian/Alaska Native Bi-Racial Multi-Racial

Primary Language Spoken at Home: _____

Chicago Public Schools (CPS) Student ID # (if applicable): _____

Current School: _____ School Phone: _____
 Name

Number of unexcused absences from school in the 7th grade year: _____

How did you hear about ChiArts?:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> CPS High School Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> School Visit | <input type="checkbox"/> Chicago Park District | <input type="checkbox"/> School Fair |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher/Counselor Referral | <input type="checkbox"/> Word of mouth | <input type="checkbox"/> ChiArts student | <input type="checkbox"/> Website/Internet |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friend or Family | <input type="checkbox"/> Postcard | <input type="checkbox"/> Poster | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

It is the policy of the Board of Education of the City of the Chicago not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, gender, sexual orientation, age, religion or disability in its educational program or employment policies or practices.

SECTION II - PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Parent/Guardian Name 1 _____ Relationship to Student _____

Home Address: _____
 Street Unit/Apt #

 City State Zip Code

Home Phone: (_____) _____

Work Phone: (_____) _____

Cell Phone: (_____) _____

Parent 1 E-mail: _____

SECTION II - PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION (cont'd).....

Parent/Guardian Name 2 _____ Relationship to Student _____

Home Address: _____
Street _____ Unit/Apt # _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ Work Phone: (_____) _____

Cell Phone: (_____) _____ Parent 2 E-mail: _____

SECTION III - ARTISTIC EXPERIENCE

Please note: Students may apply/audition for no more than two arts concentrations.
To prepare for the audition, please review the audition requirements listed on our website at www.chiarts.org/apply/process/.

Student Name: _____

I would like to apply and audition for:

Select no more than two, and indicate your first and second preference with a "1" and "2."

- Dance
- Visual Art
- Music: Voice
- Theatre: Acting
- Creative Writing
- Music: Instrumental (instrument) _____
- Theatre: Musical Theatre
- Music: Instrumental (instrument) _____

*Instrumental applicants must have some experience playing instrument

MUSIC: Complete these questions only if you are applying for **Music**:

Can you read sheet music (notes printed on a page)? Yes No

List any experience, training, or music lessons you have taken. Include the name and contact information of the teacher/school, and how old you were when you took the lessons: _____

Does your experience or training come from an elementary/middle school? Yes No

If yes, was it a band program and for how many years? Yes, # of years _____

Does your experience or training come from an independent music school? Yes No

Do you study with a private teacher? Yes No If yes, what is your teacher's name and how many years? _____

VISUAL ARTS: Complete these questions only if you are applying for **Visual Arts**:

Have you had any drawing, painting, sculpting, or photography experience or training? Yes No

If no, are you self-taught? Yes No

Does your experience or training come from an elementary/middle school? Yes No

Does your experience or training come from a private teacher or independent visual arts school? Yes No

List any experience or art lessons you have taken. Include the name and contact information of the teacher/school, and how old you were when you took the lessons: _____

SECTION III - ARTISTIC EXPERIENCE (cont'd)

Student Name: _____

DANCE: Complete these questions only if you are applying for **Dance**:

Have you ever had ballet training? Yes No

If yes, how old were you, and for how long? _____ (9-12 months of consecutive training equals 1 year)

List any experience, training, or dance lessons you have taken. Include the name and contact information of the teacher/school, and how old you were when you took the lessons: _____

Does your experience or training come from an elementary/middle school? Yes No

Does your experience or training come from an independent dance studio? Yes No If yes, what is the name of the school, what styles of dance did you study, and how many years? _____

THEATRE: Complete these questions only if you are applying for **Theatre: Acting or Musical Theatre**:

Have you had any prior acting experience or training? Yes No If yes, please answer the following:

Does your experience or training come from an elementary/middle school? Yes No

Does your experience or training come from a private teacher or theatre school/company? Yes No If yes, what is the name of the teacher or school/company, and how many years? _____

1. List any experience or lessons you have taken. Include the name and contact information of the teacher/school, and how old you were when you took the lessons.

2. If you have been in productions, list any play or musical you've done in the past 3 years, including the title, name of your role, and where it was produced. _____

Additional questions if applying for Musical Theatre:

List any dance classes or lessons you have taken: _____

List any music classes or lessons you have taken: _____

CREATIVE WRITING: Complete these questions only if you are applying for **Creative Writing**:

Have you had any prior poetry, fiction, playwriting, or creative non-fiction, experience or training? Yes No

Does your experience or training come from an elementary/middle school? Yes No What grade were you in? _____

Does your experience/training come from an independent organization or a private teacher? Yes No If yes, what is the name of the teacher or school/company, and how many years? _____

Do you write outside of school? Yes No

If yes, about how many hours do you spend writing per month? _____

What do you write most of the time? (pick your top one or two):

Fiction (stories, novels)

poetry (poems, lyrics)

plays or movies

creative non-fiction (essays in which you choose the topic, memoir, articles)

List any publication credits here (title of the publication, title of your work, date published): _____

SECTION III - ARTISTIC EXPERIENCE (cont'd).....

Required of all students:

Why do you want to attend ChiArts? What are your artistic goals? Is there anything else you would like the school to know?

SECTION IV - REQUIRED SIGNATURES (To be completed by the student & parent/guardian)

Students with disabilities are encouraged to apply. If your child is selected for an audition and requires an appropriate accommodation noted in the Individualized Education Plan (IEP), we can provide this modification IF a copy of the IEP has been provided at least 30 days prior to audition.

To the best of my knowledge, I affirm that all responses contained in this application are true and correct. I understand that this application is only for consideration for ChiArts admission, and does not guarantee admission. I am aware that students must show proof of Chicago residency by July 1st prior to the term of entry. I consent for my child to audition for the admissions process, and will make them available for the published audition dates. I understand my child's test results and attendance records will be reviewed by ChiArts, and that my child will not be invited to audition if the scores and attendance do not qualify. I am aware that I must make my child available on one of the following dates if selected for audition: January 14, 21, 28; February 4, 11. Weekday eventing auditions may be scheduled at the Admissions Manager's discretion.

My student does not meet ChiArts' academic requirements. I would like to request special consideration. I understand that auditions are not guaranteed for students who do not meet the minimum requirements.

_____	_____
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date
_____	_____
Student Signature	Date

Print Student Name	

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