



HARVARD AND THE ARTS: A WALKING TOUR

Connecting with the arts world at Harvard is fantastic for your professional development! You will find an array of internships, networking opportunities, and creative spaces to explore and define your idea of art and education.

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You can directly connect with the contact person listed at each organization. If you have general professional development questions, please contact the CSO at cso@gse.harvard.edu or 617-495-3427



1. Paine Music Building, Harvard University Department of Music

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“The Harvard University Department of Music is devoted to the study and practice of music, and exists to provide a first-rate music education that gives students advanced skills and knowledge of music history, repertory, and performance.”

- Many labs and studios are open only to students enrolled in certain courses, but may apply to HGSE students.
- Main public assets are free concerts and practice rooms.
- While separate from Paine, Dudley House has four music ensembles open to graduate students.
- The music library has an amazing amount of scores that may be of interest for research purposes.
- To receive notices of Music Department concerts and events send your email address musicdpt@fas.harvard.edu.

2. Harvard Museum of Natural History

<http://hmnh.harvard.edu/>

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Harvard Museums of Science & Culture (<http://hmsc.harvard.edu/>) is a consortium of museums in the Faculty of Arts and Sciences at Harvard. Together, these museums (Collection of Historical Scientific Instruments; Harvard Semitic Museum; Harvard Museum of Natural History; and Peabody Museum of Archaeology & Ethnology) welcome over 250,000 visitors per year to explore objects and ideas that reflect Earth’s history, life, and cultures.

- The Museums are open to partnering with students on a variety of opportunities. Contact Wendy Derjue-Holzer (wderjue@hmsc.harvard.edu) to be introduced to relevant museum staff members.
- Upcoming events with Harvard and international experts: <http://hmsc.harvard.edu/programs>
- Information specifically for Harvard students (requires HUID): http://hwpi.harvard.edu/hmsc_resources/harvard-students

3. Sanders Theatre

<http://ofa.fas.harvard.edu/cal/loc.php?EventLocation=1>

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While there is no “theatre” concentration at Harvard, students work with their clubs and organizations for performances. A.R.T. is the connection to professional theatre at Harvard. Sanders Theatre is a rental hall, which does host many events with student organizations and orchestras with and without faculty conductors. There are student groups that perform out of their venue. They do hire some students as ushers and a few production assistants through the production department. <http://www.fas.harvard.edu/~memhall/>. Sanders also manages events at Lowell Hall which is across the street, both places are rental spaces that give preference to recognized student groups. Students become members of those groups and that allows them to produce events mainly in Lowell, but sometimes in Sanders, depending on the organization. They deal mostly with a capella, bands and dance groups.

There are other venues on campus which produce theatrical events with other student organizations. These would be located on this link <http://ofa.fas.harvard.edu/theater/venues.php>



4. Harvard Graduate School of Design

www.gsd.harvard.edu/

The [Art, Design and the Public Domain](#) will be of interest to AIE students.

Career and academic related opportunities and resources include:

- [Harvard Graduate School of Design Career Services](#)
- [Calendar of events](#)
- Conference
- Gallery space in 40 Kirkland
- Loeb Library

5. Harvard Art Museums (the Fogg, the Sackler, and the Busch-Reisinger)

<http://www.harvardartmuseums.org/about/mission>

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“The Harvard Art Museums reopened in November, 2014 after 6 years of renovations. The renovations merged Harvard’s three museums— the Fogg (Western European and North American art), the Busch-Reisinger (art from German-speaking Europe) and the Arthur M. Sackler (Asian, Middle Eastern and Mediterranean art) under one roof.”

- Events: <http://www.harvardartmuseums.org/visit/calendar>

6. Carpenter Center

<http://ccva.fas.harvard.edu/>

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“The Carpenter Center program fosters meaningful engagement among artists, art, and our audiences. Exhibitions, lectures, residencies, publications, performances, screenings, and informal gatherings are choreographed to create a place where visual literacy, knowledge production, contemporary art, and critical inquiry seamlessly meet.”

- To subscribe to Film and Visual Studies Graduate List Serv click [here](#).

7. Barker Center, Mahindra Humanities Center

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The Mahindra Humanities Center is a crossroads for interdisciplinary discussions among Harvard faculty, faculty from other area institutions, graduate students, undergraduates, and the public. It sponsors lectures, panels, readings, conferences, workshops, and seminars on a wide range of topics. It also supports informal occasions for the exchange of ideas and the sharing of scholarly and artistic work.

- Calendar: <http://mahindrahumanities.fas.harvard.edu/calendar-month>
- Fellowships: <http://mahindrahumanities.fas.harvard.edu/content/interdisciplinary-dissertation-completion-fellowships-2015-16>
- Events: <http://mahindrahumanities.fas.harvard.edu/upcoming-events>



8. Cultural Agents

www.culturalagents.org

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“Cultural Agents is an interface between academic learning and civic engagement. The Initiative promotes the divergent thinking of arts and humanities in the service of solutions to real life problems. In courses, conferences, and community-based projects, we join a range of creative collaborators to feature art and interpretation as integral to active citizenship. Art is a force that drives innovation in everything from education, medicine, science, law, political leadership, and business. With a long humanistic tradition dedicated to civic development, and thanks to contemporary mentors who show how the challenges of scarcity, violence, and disease respond to creative interventions, Cultural Agents links resourcefulness with service.”

- “Pre-Texts is a simple protocol for teaching with profound results: Take a challenging text as raw material, a pre-text, for art projects and you will turn even reluctant readers into fans of complex material in any discipline. This teacher-training program seamlessly combines high-order literacy, innovation, and citizenship . . . ”

9. Office for the Arts at Harvard

<http://ofa.fas.harvard.edu/>

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“The Office for the Arts at Harvard (OFA) supports student engagement in the arts and integrates the arts into University life. Through its programs and services, the OFA teaches and mentors, fosters student art making, connects students to accomplished artists, commissions new work, and partners with local, national, and international constituencies. By supporting the development of students as artists and cultural stewards, the OFA works to enrich society and shape communities in which the arts are a vital part of life.”

- OFA programs enable students to explore an art form in depth and to work directly with professional artists in a wide range of courses, workshops, master classes, residencies, and apprenticeships and in the creation of new works.
- Calendar of Events: <http://www.ofa.fas.harvard.edu/cal/>

10. Theater, Dance & Media Office, Harvard University

<http://drama.fas.harvard.edu/>

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“Theater, Dance & Media is Harvard’s newest and 49th concentration! This interdisciplinary undergraduate program, which integrates the study of theater, dance and media with their practice, responds to both the Report of the Task Force on the Arts’ demand “to make the arts an integral part of the cognitive life of the university,” as well as to a consistent appeal from students over many decades to have a theater major at Harvard. Drawing on the many resources dedicated to the performing arts at the university, including the American Repertory Theater, the Theater Collection of Houghton Library, the Office for the Arts, the Dance Center, the Music Department, and the Department of Visual and Environmental Studies (VES), this new concentration offers students the opportunity to investigate the myriad ways that theater, dance, and media have been an ever-present part of human life.”



13. Hip-Hop Archive, Hutchins Center for African and African American Research

<http://hutchinscenter.fas.harvard.edu/hiphop-archive-research-institute>

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“The Hutchins Center for African and African American Research supports research on the history and culture of people of African descent the world over and provides a forum for collaboration and the ongoing exchange of ideas. It seeks to stimulate scholarly engagement in African and African American studies both at Harvard and beyond, and to increase public awareness and understanding of this vital field of study. As the preeminent research center in the field, the Hutchins Center sponsors visiting fellows, art exhibitions, publications, research projects, archives, readings, conferences, and new media initiatives that respond to and excite interest in established and emerging channels of inquiry in African and African American research.

12. American Repertory Theatre

<http://americanrepertorytheater.org/>

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“As the professional theater on the campus of Harvard University, the A.R.T. catalyzes discourse, interdisciplinary collaboration, and creative exchange among a wide range of academic departments, institutions, students, and faculty members, acting as a conduit between its community of artists and the university. A.R.T. artists also teach undergraduate courses in directing, dramatic literature, acting, voice, design, and dramaturgy.”

- HGSE students are able to apply for one-month term internships in the A.R.T.'s Education & Community Programs Department; during the internship, students will support A.R.T. productions through the development of innovative engagement activities and access initiatives.