

Idyllwild Arts Academy



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- National Art School Top 4
- Brilliant teachers
- “Artistic Crossroads for Southern California”

General Information

- Year Founded: 1986
- Religion: Non
- Gender: Coed
- Grades: 9-12
- Student Body: 318
- International Students: 176
- Average Class Size: 13
- T-S Ratio: 1:4
- Uniforms: Yes

Idyllwild Arts Academy in Los Angeles, California, is the only independent boarding school on the West Coast of the United States. It is one of only three arts independent boarding schools in the United States. The school enrolls young people with artistic talents from the United States and around the world. It has away-from-the-dust campuses and excellent art education courses. The school offers professional preparatory courses in creative writing, dance, film and film production, music, drama and visual arts. Students live and study in real artist communities. Student dancers, musicians, singers, actors, theatre technicians, visual artists, creative writers and interdisciplinary majors interact in many positive ways.

Admission Requirements

- No TOEFL
- Skype Interview (Required)

Community

Located on the west slope of San Jacinto Mountain, California, USA, the campus is naturally beautiful, with natural mountains, forests and grasslands, far from the noisy city. It is very suitable for artistic learning and creation. Driving to Los Angeles or San Diego for about 1.5 hours, close to the famous Palm Spring, shopping, life is complete. Idyllwild Town is known by many people as a paradise, the natural environment is very beautiful, quiet and peaceful atmosphere makes people happy physically and mentally.

Certification

- Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC)
- Association of California Independent Schools
- Famous alumni: Liang Wang - Principal Oboe of the New York Symphony Orchestra
Marin Ireland - Tony Award nominee
Nate Lowman - Contemporary Artist
Vesselin Gelev - Deputy Principal Violinist of the London Symphony Or-

Location Information

Nearest Airport: Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) (14 mins)

Nearest Major Cities: Los Angeles (2h)

Typical Weather: Mediterranean climate, dry and hot in summer, warm in winter

Attractions Nearby: Chapman University (Famous Film Academy, Top 10) Loyola Marimont University



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Academic Information

English Support: ESL **Ave. SAT:** 1180

Basic courses: English 4 years, History/Sociology 3 years, Mathematics 3 years, Language 2 years, Science 2 years, Physical Education 2 years, Visual and Performing Arts 1 year.

Creative Writing: To train students with writing talent to further master writing skills and critical thinking, and to learn literature and history.

Dance: Students learn ballet, modern dance and jazz dance.

Film and Film Production: Students study film and television history, film and television theory, principles and production courses.

Music: Piano, orchestral instruments, guitar, vocal music, etc.

Drama: Performing, characterization, Shakespeare's plays, stage performances, the basic principles of music, improvisation, background and costume design, stage control, musical repertoire, sound and pronunciation, light and sound, etc.

Visual Art: Visual Art courses mainly include various kinds of drawing courses.

Fashion Design: Provide professional in-depth training, including manual and machine sewing, pattern making, draping, textiles, accessories, fashion illustrations, fashion history, fashion photography and conceptual design.

Facilities

The school covers an area of 205 acres with modern and comfortable dormitories, classrooms, scientific research rooms, performance centers, practice rooms, art studios and galleries, dance rooms and three theatres. The boarding students are in a room of two, supervised by the dormitory counselor. Rigorous family environment provides students with solid assistance in arts, disciplines and social life.

College Matriculation

Unlike traditional boarding high schools, students at Idyllwild Arts Academy in California tend to choose art-oriented colleges, including The Julliard School, Berklee College of Music, Elon University, Fordham University, Kansas City Art Institute, Manhattan School of Music, New York University, Oklahoma City University, Pratt Institute, San Francisco Art Institute, Swarthmore College, University of Michigan, University of Puget Sound, University of Rochester, etc.



Clubs & Activities

Many recreational activities are carried out in the wild because the campus is located on a mountain forest land of 5,000 feet and 205 acres above sea level. Hiking, rock climbing and cross-country skiing are popular activities. There are other more traditional activities such as French, Spanish, yoga, weightlifting, bowling, aerobic dance and so on. On weekends, the school arranges to visit villages of Idyllwild (including museums, galleries, cinemas, monuments, etc.) or to have picnics and shopping near the school.

Tuition

Boarding student tuition - International (Includes international fees) (Full Year)	\$78,700
Boarding student tuition - Domestic (Full Year)	\$75,000
Boarding student tuition - California Residents (Full Year)	\$65,600
Day student tuition (Full Year)	\$39,100
Spring semester tuition	
Boarding - International	\$44,100
Boarding - Domestic	\$39,600
Day	\$27,200

Contract Fees

LAB FEES

Film & Digital Media	\$2,800
Music (Private lessons)	\$3,000
Visual Arts	\$900
Theatre	\$900
Dance	\$900
Creative Writing	\$550
InterArts/Fashion Design	\$900
Private Music Lesson 24 one-hour lessons per year	\$3,300
Private Voice Lessons Required for 11th and 12th grade Musical Theatre majors 20 one-hour lessons per year	\$ 2,700
Other Lessons (i.e. accent reduction)	\$2,700

New Student Fee	\$3,000
Technology and Communications Fee	\$300
Student Health Insurance (For International Students)	\$2,635
Health Center Fee	\$500

The Health Center Fee Includes:

- All medical visits to the Health Center
- Medication administration
- Transportation to medical appointments in Idyllwild
- Individual Counseling – maximum of 6 visits

Non-Contract Fees

Transportation Fees	
Airport on arrival / departure days*	\$150
Airport on all other days	\$175-\$315
Online Summer MathLab	6-week- \$2,250 4-week- \$1,600
Damage Repair and Key Replacement	per schedule
Incidental Account	\$500- \$2,700
Homestay Program (During school breaks)	\$90 per night