

**CSSSA** CALIFORNIA  
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**33 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE**

**WHO** high school-aged visual, literary and performing artists  
**WHAT** four-week immersive summer arts program  
**WHERE** CalArts Campus in Valencia, CA  
**WHEN** July 13 - August 9, 2019  
**COST** \$2,000 (includes 4 weeks of housing, food and instruction)  
**DEADLINE** February 28, 2019 - online application, [www.csssa.ca.gov](http://www.csssa.ca.gov)  
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Financial Aid

Financial aid is available to qualifying California students. More than 30 percent of our students receive financial aid.

History

For 33 years CSSSA has provided an exemplary four-week summer arts program to almost 18,000 talented high school students. Instruction is offered in the fields of Animation, Film, Writing, Dance, Music, Theater, and Visual Arts. Each year 520 students are invited to share this unique opportunity studying and working with professional artists, writers and performers of national stature. Students who successfully complete the program are eligible to receive three units of California State University course credit.

Alumni

CSSSA's alumni include animators **Adrian Molina**, co-director of Pixar's *Coco*; **Bobby Podesta**, Pixar animator for *Toy Story 2 and 3*, *A Bug's Life*, *Finding Nemo*, *The Incredibles*, *Finding Dory*, and *Cars 3*; **Alex Hirsch**, creator of Disney's *Gravity Falls*, **Pendleton Ward**, creator of Cartoon Network's *Adventure Time*; **Michael Herrera**, Story Artist at Walt Disney Animation Studios; **Bryan Caselli** supervising producer on the future Amazon original series *Costume Quest*, produced at Frederator Studios; actors **Zac Efron**, breakout star of the *High School Musical* films, *Neighbors* and *Neighbors 2*, *Baywatch*, and *Me and Orson Welles*; Golden Globe recipient **James Franco**, featured in the *Spiderman* movie series, *Milk*, *127 Hours*, *Why Him?* and *The Disaster Artist*; **Dave Franco**, performed in *Neighbors* and *Neighbors 2*, *The Lego Movie*, and *The Disaster Artist*, singer and stage actress **Teal Wicks**, best known for her performances as Elphaba in the Broadway, San Francisco, and Los Angeles productions of the musical *Wicked*; singer and actress **Katharine McPhee** and actress **Kirsten Vangsness**, seen as Penelope Garcia on the CBS series *Criminal Minds*.



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