

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

School \_\_\_\_\_

Home Room Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Gender \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent  
Nomination  
Form**

I would like my child to audition for the artistically gifted and talented program in the following area.

(Only check **ONE** of the four areas)

Art  Drama  Dance  Music

If Music,  Voice or  Instrument

If Instrument, list instrument \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for my child to audition on **Thursday, November 1, 2018 at 4:30 pm** at Gold Hill Middle School. I understand that completion of this form does not guarantee placement in this program. **I understand that transportation for the program IS NOT provided by the district.**

Parent Signature

Parent(s) Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**DETACH AND RETURN  
FORM TO SCHOOL  
CONTACT BY OCTOBER 12, 2018  
Late applications will NOT be accepted.**

**Who to Contact?**

**General Information**

Donald M. Rogers, Director  
Winthrop University  
803-323-2255  
rogersd@winthrop.edu

**Specific Information**

(requirements, schedules, eligibility, etc)  
Marty McGinn  
Fort Mill School District #4

**Where to Return Form?**

**Banks Trail Middle School**

Kirk Godbey  
GodbeyK@fortmillschools.org  
803-578-2990

**Fort Mill Middle School**

Julia Bouldin  
BouldinJ@fortmillschools.org  
803-547-5553

**Gold Hill Middle School**

Kate Quinn  
QuinnK@fortmillschools.org  
803-548-8300

**Pleasant Knoll Middle School**

Brandon Sanders  
SandersB@fortmillschools.org  
803-835-3728

**Springfield Middle School**

Cardio Mack  
MackC@fortmillschools.org  
803-548-8199

Return form to the school contact listed above by October 12, 2018 to receive audition information.

Art portfolios are due on October 12, 2018

At Winthrop University

**The Summer  
ST-ARTS  
Program**

**Summer Session  
June 10 - 28  
9:00 am - 3:30 pm**

**Saturday Workshops  
9:00 am—1:00 pm**

**February 2, 2019  
March 23, 2019  
May 11, 2019**

# Summer ST-ARTS Program At Winthrop University

## What is the Summer ST-ARTS Program?

ST-ARTS is a Winthrop University summer program for 300 public school students in grades 6-8 with special talents in the arts. Sponsored jointly by the School of Visual and Performing Arts and the Clover, Fort Mill, Lancaster, Rock Hill, and York school districts, this program provides an intense, three-week experience in the visual and performing arts (dance, drama, music, and the visual arts) for artistically gifted and talented students. A faculty of more than 50 artists and musicians from Winthrop, public schools, and the SC Arts Commission Artists Roster. Curriculum for the program is designed and evaluated in accordance with the new South Carolina Visual and Performing Arts Framework. The program concept and design have been cited by the State Department of Education as a model of cooperation between an institution of higher learning and its consortium of public schools. Since its inception in 1989, the Summer ST-ARTS Program has served more than 8,500 middle school students.



## Where is the program located?



The program is housed on the Winthrop University campus in the arts facilities: Rutledge Building (visual arts), Johnson Hall (drama and dance) and the Conservatory (music).

## What is the cost of the program?

The Summer ST-ARTS Program is funded through contract with each participating school district and Winthrop University. There is no charge to the students. **However, transportation IS NOT provided.**

## What happens during the day?

Students spend the first part of the day in a variety of instructional opportunities in their major art area. These may include the following: dance (creative movement, ballet, modern, jazz, and choreography), drama (creative dramatics and short stage works), music (chorus, sound design, instrument master classes, piano, composition, MIDI), visual arts (photography, drawing, printmaking, furniture design, jewelry making). In the afternoons, each student participates in a "minor" arts area that he/she selects.



Special performances are also an integral part of the summer program, and have brought to campus many regional and national organizations. Presentations and performances by the ST-ARTS faculty are also included.



## How do I qualify for the program?

ST-ARTS students are selected through a highly competitive screening process. In the fall of each year the school districts send ST-ARTS information letters to all 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. New students nominated for the program should:

- Show a serious interest in an art form (dance, drama, music, or visual art)
- Spend time pursuing an art form
- Express emotions in and through an art form, and
- Create unique responses to given stimuli.

**Attention Visual Arts:** Nominees are required to create three pieces of two-dimensional artwork for a preliminary audition. Judges are looking for creativity, variety in materials/techniques, and compositional solutions. Portfolios are due on October 12th to the school representative. Nominees will be notified by October 24, as to whether he/she will move on to the final audition on November 1st at Gold Hill Middle School.



All nominated students receive information from the school representative on preparing for the audition. Students receiving qualifying scores in the screening are selected for the Summer ST-ARTS program. Students are expected to attend all workshops and all days of the summer program.

**Return Form and Visual  
Art Portfolios by  
October 12, 2018**