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# FY18 Annual Report FY19 Planning Report

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# College of Fine Arts

School of Art  
School of Music  
School of Theatre and Dance  
Arts Technology Program  
University Galleries  
Illinois Shakespeare Festival  
Center for the Performing Arts  
Big Red Marching Machine  
Normal Editions Workshop  
6 Orchestras and Bands  
5 Choirs and Opera  
9 Buildings and Facilities

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Laurie Thompson-Merriman/Assoc. Dean  
Janet Tulley/Assist. Dean  
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Janet Wilson/SOTD Director  
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Eric Yeager/CFA-IT Director  
Nick Benson/CPA Coordinator  
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Saturday Creative Art and Drama, Band Camps and Jazz Festival, Red Note Festival, Midwest Institute of Opera, Community School for the Arts, ISU String Project, Civic Chorale, Friends of the Arts, Illinois Shakespeare Festival Society Board of Directors

# CFA Strategic Plan 2018-2023

## Vision

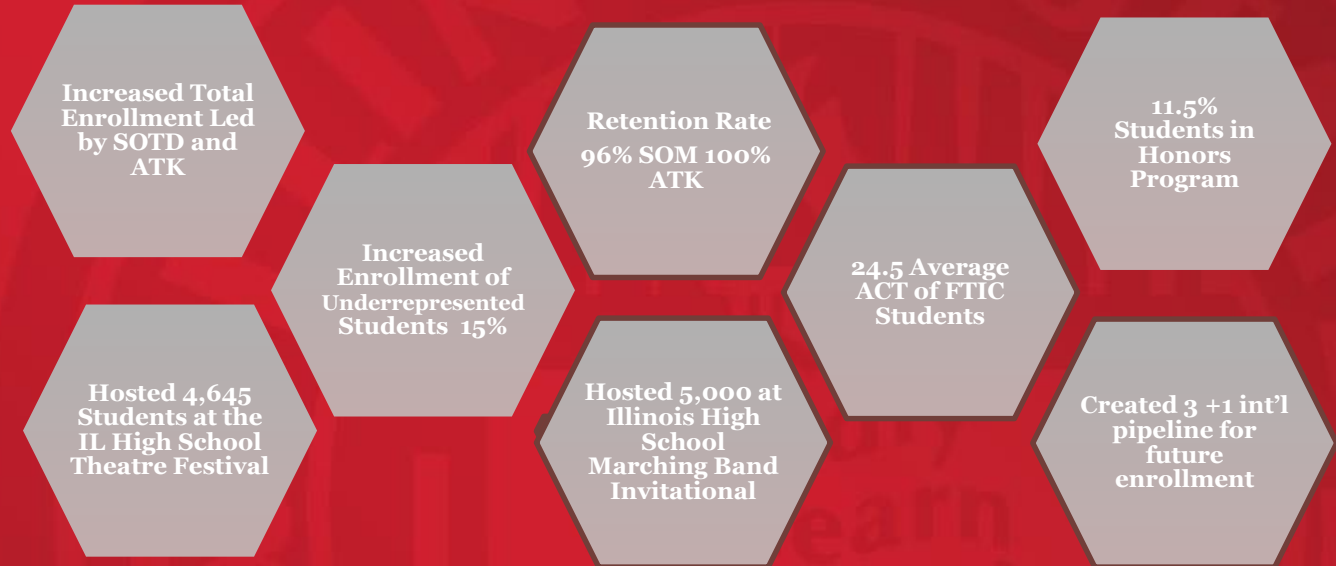
The College of Fine Arts fosters creative living and aspires to be a leader in the preparation of world-class artists, performers, scholars, teachers, and therapists through pedagogic and creative excellence.

## Mission

Invigorated by creative discourse and diversity of opinion, the College of Fine Arts advances the arts within a global context. Through collaboration, applied learning, and artistic practice, the College fosters curiosity and critical thinking to illuminate the human experience. Creative and intellectual endeavors within the College enrich the quality of life of the University, the community, and beyond.

# FY18 REPORT

## CFA Enrollment



## Student-Centered Investment

Professor Karyl Carlson and 31 choral music students will travel and perform in Salzburg, Prague, and Venice in May 2018.

35 theatre students competed and were selected to attend and perform at the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival.

The Illinois Shakespeare Festival provided 16 student internships and \$68,666 in salary for ISU students in July and August 2017.

12 MFA students and 2 Art faculty will participate in a studio residency and exhibition at Southwest Normal University in Chongqing, China in May and June 2018.

Arts Technology students visited and interviewed with companies such as Table XI, One Design Company, Cutters, Another Country, Flavor, Dictionary Films, and Picnic in Chicago each semester. Cutters is an international creative company hosting 5 brands offering top-tier production.

# International Initiative

OISP facilitated CFA's School of Art and Shanghai Normal University's Tianhua College initiative to create a 3 +1 Graphic Design partnership. By fall 2017, 60 Tianhua students enrolled in this program. Below, President and Ms. Dietz, Dr. Rosenthal, Dr. Yimin Wang, CFA Dean Miller, SOA Director Michael Wille, and Graphic Design faculty visited Tianhua in October 2017.



## Diversity and Inclusion

The College of Fine Arts continued to practice non-traditional casting in theatre and dance productions.

The student RSO Black Actors League continued to provide leadership in CFA and on Campus.

University Galleries hosted two LGBTQ cabarets and a Queer Dance party for all ages with 300 people attending.

CFA Hall of Fame recipient, actor Francois Battiste, conducted master classes and a colloquium that presented topics that highlighted challenges for Black artists.

The Crossroads Project hosted Elizabeth Wong and a workshop reading of her new play, *Code of Conduct*.

SOTD's production of *SHE KILLS MONSTERS* focused on themes of diversity and inclusion.

CFA Schools and University Galleries worked with Marcfirst, Women's and Gender Studies, and Milner Library on inclusion projects.



Alumni Francois Battiste



The Black Actors League (RSO)



## Research, Creative Activity, and Awards

Dr. Kristin Carlson (ATK) received the University Research Initiative Award for 2018.

Professor Jin Lee (SOA) received the University Outstanding Creative Activity Award for 2018.

Dr. Roy Magnuson (SOM) received the University Creative Activity Initiative Award for 2018.

Dr. Elisabeth Friedman's (SOA) research examining the art and artists of occupied Palestine was supported through an NEH Palestinian American Research Center Fellowship.

Assistant Professor Ladan Bahmani (SOA) presented her design research at the World Design Summit in Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Professor Connie de Veer (SOTD) co-authored the book, *Actor For Life: How to Have An Amazing Career Without All the Drama*.

## Civic Engagement

1500 + attended summer Concerts on the Quad.

800 + children/families attended the free Theatre for Young Audiences at the Illinois Shakespeare Festival.

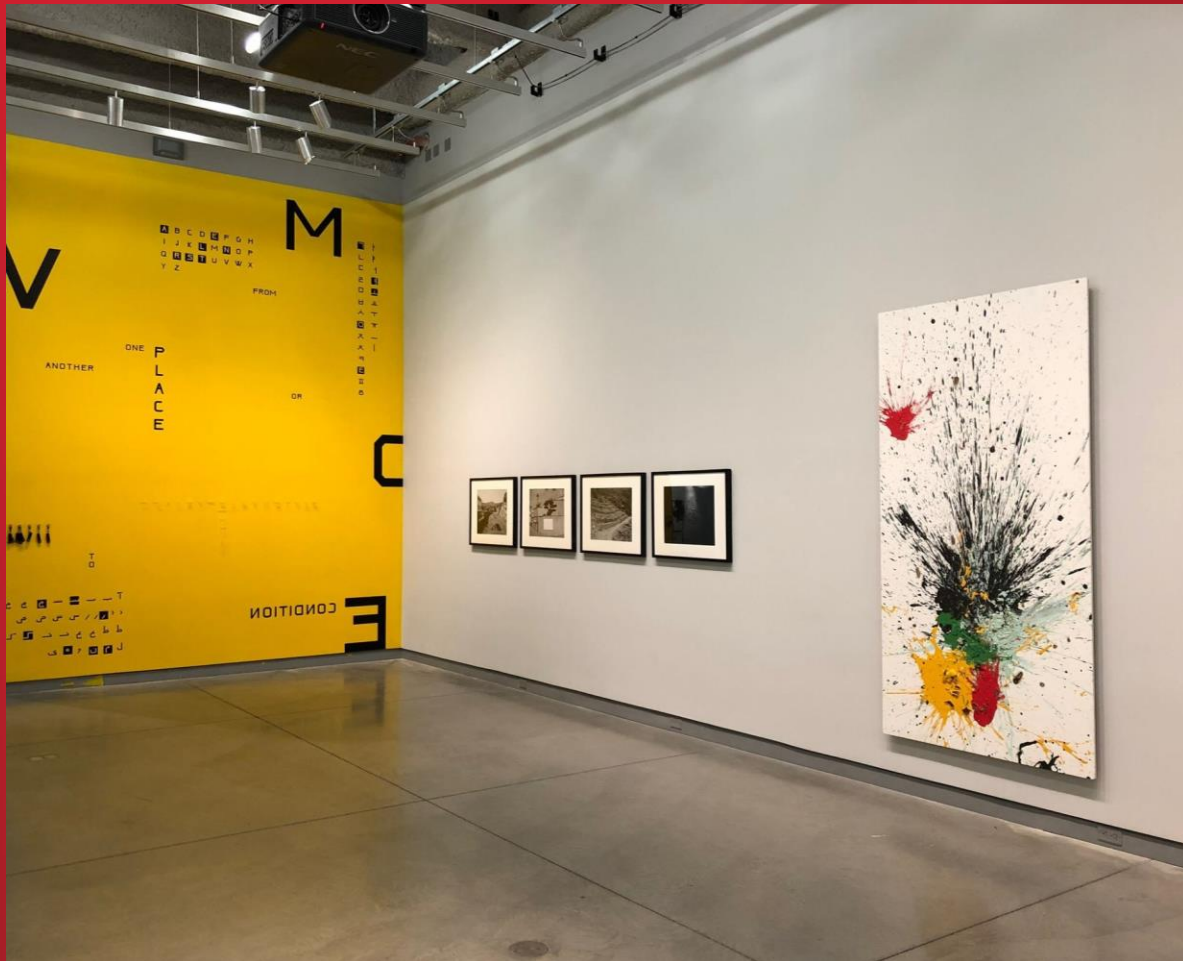
125 school-aged students were enrolled in The String Project.

101 K-6 children attended Saturday Creative Art and Drama Classes.

64 arts + education programs were offered by University Galleries.

ISU and B-N community made plans for the 50<sup>th</sup> Civic Chorale anniversary in November 2018.

University Galleries counted 11,625 visitors in FY18. They hosted 135 events for ISU, Town of Normal, and local non-profit organizations.



## **Redbirds Rising Campaign**

University Advancement and the College of Fine Arts has secured 80% of CFA's 12.5 M goal, with several gift proposals in the pipeline.

## **Facilities, Equipment, Operations**

The School of Art office suite was flooded and off-line September 2017-March 2018. It was moved to Williams Hall temporarily.

The Center for Performing Arts Theatre was flooded in March 2018, with clean-up in process.

In FY18, Provost Enhancement funds and OISP funded the renovation of CVA 134 to support growing enrollment in the Graphic Design program.

Provost Enhancement funds supported renovation of CVA 50 for growing enrollment in the Arts Technology Program.

Provost Enhancement funds supported repair of a Steinway piano and the purchase of two new pianos. Funds supported lighting and sound equipment purchases for the School of Theatre and Dance.

# Internal Reallocations and Reorganizations

Associate Dean Shari Zeck moved to Milner Library as Interim Dean.

Laurie Thompson-Merriman was named Associate Dean for Research and Planning.

Janet Tulley's position is now Assistant Dean for Academic Programs and Student Affairs.

Eric Yeager was named the director of CFA-IT.

Business Associate Stephanie Kohl Ringle's responsibilities now include communications.

Nick Benson was hired as the new CPA and box office manager.

Molly Briggs was hired as the office support specialist in SOTD.

Michael Haynes was hired as the budget manager for the Illinois Shakespeare Festival.

# FY19 PLANNING

## Increasing Enrollment

*The College of Fine Arts intends to grow by 375 students over the next 3 years, with a goal of 1500 total majors, by advancing the following initiatives:*

Proposed merger of a School of Art + Creative Technologies

SOA's new Graphic Design 3 + 1 program with Shanghai Normal University's Tianhua College

Developing a new Musical Theatre option in the SOTD

Developing a Jazz, Fusion, Hip-Hop option in Dance

Utilization of the *Acceptd* application platform in SOM and SOTD

Participating with University's INTO partnership

# Internships and Opportunities



# Diversity and Inclusion

Enhance diversity in TT and NTT faculty and staff hires

SOA's Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence from South Africa in FY19

SOTD's residency with Ugandan playwright fall 2018

Continued programming at University Galleries and within academic units with a focus on diversity, equity, and inclusion

Study abroad experiences offered in Italy, Australia, Cypress, Uganda, Prague, China, and England

Faculty guest lectures and student exchange opportunities at Edge Hill University in Ormskirk, Lancashire, England and Srinakharinwirot University (SWU) in Bangkok, Thailand

Continue hosting student groups from Central China University and Southwest Normal University in China



## Provost Enhancement Request (\$1,215,834)

1. SOM's Cook Hall 305 and 308 - improve spaces used for classes, recruitment, String Project, Gen Ed, rehearsals, and auditions
2. SOM's CE 209 and 220 - upgrade studio and classroom
3. Replace damaged lighting in CPA theater
4. Upgrade classroom teaching tools and equipment for SOTD
5. Secure LED projector and display for CPA and Westhoff Theater
6. CVA 138 and 139 - improve college student open lab, equipment check out, and printing service area
7. Install dust collection system for ventilation safety in SOA's Ceramic Glaze Room



8. CW 313B and 315 - create Music Therapy and Music Ed classrooms
9. CVA 117 - upgrade to create media learning space for ATK and Art
10. CFA - implement IT Faculty Computers recapitalization upgrade
11. Paint 14 separate studio classrooms in the SOA
12. Renovate Video Lab and Classroom in the SOA
13. Install audio and sound system for University Galleries
14. Purchase F Tuba for SOM for student and ensemble use

## Permanent Funding Requests (\$204,750)

1. Base operating budget for Arts Technology/SOA
2. Music Academic Advisor (1.0 FTE) salary
3. Graduate assistantships in Arts Technology, SOA, and SOTD
4. CFA-IT Technology Support Specialist
5. Summer lighting and sound supervisor funding for SOTD

# Strategic Budget Carryover

Summer Session Salaries \$25,000

CFA-IT \$30,000



# TT Faculty Requests

1. School of Music - Music Education/General Music Specialist
2. School of Theatre and Dance-Jazz, Fusion, Hip-Hop Dance
3. School of Art - Art History - Non-Western Specialist
4. School of Theatre and Dance - Acting/Musical Theatre
5. School of Music - Music History/Literature
6. School of Art and Arts Technology Program - Game Design
7. School of Art and Arts Technology - Sound and Media Design
8. School of Music - Choral Music Specialist
9. School of Art and Arts Technology Program - Video



## Music for the Holidays