

I. Divisional Mission

The Division of Fine Arts is comprised of the programs in Art, Music, Speech, Theatre, and Communication. Baccalaureate degree programs are offered in Studio Art and in Music Performance, and minors are offered in Art, Music, and Speech Communication and Theatre. The arts broaden human potential and provide room for creativity and growth. The arts also enhance the quality of life and the development of cognitive and expressive skills. Through presentations such as concerts, theatre productions, art exhibitions, lectures, and workshops, the arts provide an aesthetic and cultural environment vital to academic life. The Division of Fine Arts prepares its majors for a variety of professions in the arts and related fields, and gives them a foundation for graduate study.

The Division of Fine Arts supports the University's mission by providing liberal studies courses in art and music; by providing students with opportunities to develop and enhance effective oral and interpersonal communication skills for life in today's multicultural society; by providing professional services to public schools; and by preparing students to make significant contributions to society as fine arts educators, performers, and visual artists. The Division promotes teaching excellence through its maintenance of a low student-faculty ratio and its emphasis on performance-based goals.

II. Divisional Vision

The Division of Fine Arts will pursue attainment of our mission by:

- Providing leadership in developing and nurturing the aesthetic sensitivities of all institutional stakeholders;
- Promoting KSU as the institution of choice in Kentucky, the region, and the nation;
- Ensuring that Kentucky State University has a qualified and diverse community of artistic scholars, and a competent and highly engaged cadre of faculty and staff members;
- Promoting and engaging a student focused approach to teaching, learning and service;
- Remaining fully compliant with professional standards of accreditation, learned society best practices, institutional stewardship and accountability, and respective regional and national standards of programmatic assessment.