

CSSSA Animation Application—2012

DEADLINE: February 28, 2012

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE IN BLUE OR BLACK INK ONLY.

1. ANIMATION APPLICATION PORTFOLIO

(If you wish to apply to more than ONE department, you must print and complete the application for that department and submit in a separate envelope.)

Animation Portfolio Format Enclosed (check all that apply):

() DVD

() mini-DVD

() USB Flashdrive

() Flipbook

() Color Photocopies

only accepted file types:

.avi, .mov, .wav, .wmv or .jpg

(please save all electronic files to one media type)

2. STUDENT INFORMATION

Student First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Last Name: _____

Home Address (mailing): _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ California County: _____

Email address: _____

Date of Birth (use numbers): ____/____/____.

Age: _____

Gender: () male () female

Grade Level to be completed as of June 2012: _____

Home Phone: (____) ____-____

Student Cell Phone: (____) ____-____

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3. PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Parent/Guardian First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Home Phone: (____) ____-_____

Business Phone: (____) ____-_____

Parent/Guardian Cell Phone: (____) ____-_____

Email address: _____

4. SCHOOL INFORMATION

Current School: _____

Phone: (____) ____-_____

Street Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ California County:

5. ATTENDANCE VERIFICATION

To verify your attendance at a California secondary school, please submit either a current transcript of your academic record, or have your teacher or counselor complete the Attendance Verification form (page 11).

6. RECOMMENDATION INFORMATION

Please identify two people who will complete the Recommendation Forms on your behalf. These people should be schoolteachers, private instructors, or arts professionals in your chosen subject area. Recommendations may be submitted on school stationery if the recommender prefers that, but they **MUST** be enclosed with this application.

FIRST RECOMMENDATION:

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Name: _____

Position: _____

School (if applicable): _____

Street Address: _____

City/County: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Country (if outside of US): _____

SECOND RECOMMENDATION:

Name: _____

Position: _____

School (if applicable): _____

Street Address: _____

City/County: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Country (if outside of US): _____

7. WHERE DID YOU LEARN ABOUT California State Summer School for the Arts?

Friend Internet Poster Teacher School Administration

Local Arts Organization Other (Specify):

8. CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS ONLY: WHO ARE YOUR LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES?

State Senator:

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State Assembly Member:

To determine your legislative representatives, go on the Internet to
<<http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/yourleg.html>>.

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9. DO YOU REQUIRE ANY SPECIAL SERVICES FOR REASON OF A DISABILITY?

Physical:

- Legally blind/visually impaired
 - Mobility impairment (including orthopedic)
 - Other impairment (please specify):
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Communication:

- Speech impairment
- Hearing impairment
- Learning disability

Please describe:

10. ETHNIC INFORMATION This question is voluntary. The California State Summer School for the Arts collects this information to conform to new guidelines from the Federal government. This information will not affect any student's application for admission.

Check one:

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African-American
- Hispanic
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- White
- Other _____

11. EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

How many years have you studied your primary art form?

- (1) In your school: _____
- (2) Private study: _____

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Please describe your education plans beyond high school:

If you attended CSSSA previously, please circle the year(s) and indicate department(s):

() 2008 () 2009 () 2010 () 2011 Department(s):

12. FILING INSTRUCTIONS

Mail all forms, the assignments for your department, and the application fee by February 28, 2012 to the Department you are applying to at:

California State Summer School for the Arts
ATTENTION: Animation Department
P.O. Box 1077
Sacramento, CA 95812-1077

- You MUST write the Department you are applying to on the outside of the envelope.
- A non-refundable \$20 APPLICATION FEE is required:

() CHECK or MONEY ORDER made payable to "CSSSA"

() VISA () MasterCard

Card # _____ Expires Mo. ____ Yr. ____

Three to seven digit number found in signature box on back of card: _____

Contact: (916) 229-5160 / (916) 229-5170 (fax) / www.application@csssa.org

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RECOMMENDATION FORM
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To the Student: **YOU NEED TO PRINT AND SUBMIT TWO OF THESE FORMS!** Two individual adults need to fill out a recommendation form for you. Please make sure that your two recommendations and all other parts of your application, including the Required Assignments, are submitted in the same envelope by February 28, 2012. Your application cannot be completely processed until ALL REQUIRED FORMS AND RECOMMENDATIONS are received. Teachers may submit written recommendations on school stationery, if they prefer.

1. STUDENT INFORMATION

Students please fill in the student information portion of this form before providing it to the individual who will be recommending you.

Student First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

2. RECOMMENDING ADULT: (Teacher, private instructor or other recommending adult).

Name of recommending individual:

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Recommender's Address:

Street Address:

City:

State: _____ Zip: _____ Email Address:

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Recommender's Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Subject Taught: _____

How many years have you known this student and in what capacity:

Indicate below your evaluation of the applicant:

1. Interest in chosen area:

Below Average Average Above Average Superior

2. Ability in chosen area:

Below Average Average Above Average Superior

3. Character:

Below Average Average Above Average Superior

4. Cooperation:

Below Average Average Above Average Superior

5. Leadership:

Below Average Average Above Average Superior

6. Emotional Maturity:

Below Average Average Above Average Superior

7. Personal Initiative:

Below Average Average Above Average Superior

Additional comments:

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Signature:

Date:

3. RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO STUDENT (May be sealed for confidentiality).

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FINANCIAL AID REQUEST

Financial aid is restricted to CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS. It is not awarded to students attending for a second summer regardless of department.

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- This form **must be submitted with the application** if you wish to be considered for financial aid. Your chances of acceptance to CSSSA will not be affected by your financial aid application.
- You **MUST** submit a copy of parent/guardian's 2010 or 2011 (whichever is most recently filed) 1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ tax forms and supplements with this request.
- **DO NOT FILL OUT THIS FORM OR SUBMIT INCOME TAX RETURNS IF YOU ARE NOT APPLYING FOR FINANCIAL AID.**
- THIS APPLICATION MUST BE TYPED OR COMPLETED IN BLUE OR BLACK INK PEN, not pencil.

Student Name:

Home Telephone: (_____) _____ - _____

Street Address:

City, State, Zip:

Parent/Guardian #1 Name:

Business Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Parent/Guardian #2 Name:

Business Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

1. Parent(s)/Guardian(s)' current marital status (please check one)

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- () Married. (Report income information for both parents, including step-parent).
- () Widow/Widower. (Report income information of surviving parent.)
- () Separated/Divorced. (Report income information on parent you lived with during the last twelve months.)

2. State of LEGAL RESIDENCE of parent(s)/guardian(s): _____

3. Total size of HOUSEHOLD during 2010-2011 school year including parents/guardians, all dependent children, and other dependents who live with your parents:

4. Parents/Guardians' ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME:

a. Amount earned by Parent/Guardian #1: _____

b. Amount earned by Parent/Guardian #2: _____

5. Total U.S. INCOME TAX PAID (line 60 from Form 1040; line 11 from Form 1040EZ):

6. SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS that the entire family received. Omit educational benefits. (Do not report money included in No. 4 above.) You must provide official supporting documentation.

7. AFDC welfare benefits received by family. Report total annual amount, not monthly amounts. (Do not report money included in No. 4 above.) You must provide official supporting documentation.

8. NON-TAXABLE INCOME. Include untaxed unemployment compensation, interest and dividend exclusion, military, or clergy housing allowances, the untaxed portion of capital gains, income from untaxed municipal bonds, child support, non-taxable retirement pay-outs, and non-educational veteran's benefits. (Do not report money included in No. 4 above.)

9. UNREIMBURSED MEDICAL COSTS. Report medical expenses for the family that were not reimbursed. Use the same rules for calculation that the IRS allows, but

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exclude insurance premiums.

10. STUDENT'S INCOME. Enter amount earned:

11. STUDENT'S NON-TAXABLE INCOME. Enter total amount of untaxed income. (Use same definitions as in No. 8.)

12. STUDENT'S SAVINGS. Enter total of checking and savings accounts.

13. PARENT'S CASH SAVINGS. Enter total amount of savings and checking accounts.

14. HOME VALUE. Enter the current market value of your home, condominium, or mobile home.

15. MORTGAGE DEBT. Enter the amount of principal still owed.

16. REAL ESTATE AND INVESTMENTS. Enter market value of other real estate, investments, stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit, precious metals, etc.

17. INVESTMENT DEBT. Enter amount owed on investments in No. 16.

18. BUSINESS OR FARM. Enter the market value of your business or farm. Include inventory.

19. BUSINESS/FARM DEBT. Enter the amount of debt owed on business or farm.

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Exclude non-family partner's share of debt.

20. Total number of family members who are full-time college students.

Mail this form along with your application and materials by February 28, 2012 to:

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ATTENDANCE VERIFICATION FORM

POSTMARK DEADLINE: February 28, 2012, with completed application

To the Student: YOU NEED TO PRINT AND SUBMIT THIS FORM, or a transcript.

- A teacher or counselor from your high school must fill out this form for you.
- Please make sure that this form and all other parts of the application are submitted without delay. Your application cannot be completely processed until ALL required forms are received by the California State Summer School for the Arts.

ATTENDANCE VERIFICATION: To verify your attendance at a California secondary school, please submit either a current transcript of your academic record, or have your teacher or counselor complete the following certification:

I certify that _____

(student) submitting this application is a bona fide student at:

_____ school.

Teacher/Counselor Name: _____

Position: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Students do not need prior formal training in animation to apply to the Animation Program.

Applicants must submit completed application and teacher recommendation forms, and ALL of the following REQUIRED ASSIGNMENTS. If you fail to include any of the required assignments, your application will be deemed incomplete and disqualified from further review:

- A. One drawing or painting that shows what you feel is unique about yourself.
- B. One drawing or painting of any subject that interests you. You might consider an emotion, memory, song, place or thing. Provide an explanation of the work on a separate sheet of paper, and include the poem, or lyrics if appropriate.
- C. One drawing or painting that you feel demonstrates your technical skills.
*Format for Assignments A, B and C: all must be submitted on a USB flashdrive using .jpg format **only**. The flashdrive must be clearly labeled with your name and date of birth. Please save your assignments with your first initial and last name followed by the appropriate letter for each of the submissions. For example, John Smith would label his work as follows:*

jsmith_A.jpg
jsmith_B.jpg
jsmith_C.jpg

- D. Either a flipbook that has at least 25 pages, or a video on a flashdrive, mini-DVD or full-size DVD formats **ONLY**, of an animation you have created that demonstrates your understanding of motion.
*ACCEPTABLE file formats for video submission: .avi, .mov, .wav, and .wmv. Please do not include files in a format that is native to the program you are using to edit video (if applicable). Auditions submitted on VHS, Mini-DV, Hi-8, or on any other analog cassette tape will **NOT** be reviewed.*
- E. Two typed statements of no more than 150 words each addressing the following topics:
 - 1. The CSSSA Animation program requires each student to complete 8 difficult projects in only 4 weeks. Give us an example of something you

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have done before in school or in your life that required you to work very hard, and tell us how you did on that task or group of tasks.

2. Why are you interested in animation?

RETURNING STUDENTS ONLY:

Applicants who attended the Animation Program previously must include a typed statement of no more than 150 words explaining what you hope to achieve during your second summer at CSSSA if you are accepted. This statement will be accepted instead of Assignment E Topic 1 above. Also note: Assignments A through D must be new submissions that show your DEVELOPMENT and GROWTH AS AN ARTIST since you attended the program. Do not submit work you created at a previous session or your application will be disqualified. If you previously attended CSSSA in an artistic discipline other than Animation, you must submit a recommendation from a CSSSA instructor in that department.

******* NOTE TO ALL ANIMATION PROGRAM APPLICANTS:**

VERY IMPORTANT: The review committee insists that all work is presented with the utmost care and attention. The artwork / animation you submit should be original and from your own experience and imagination. The committee wants to see YOU reflected in the content and distinctive style of your artwork. Be yourself! **There should be no copying of existing cartoon characters.** We also discourage the submission of standard animation exercises such as the bouncing ball and flour sack. The applicant is highly encouraged to include submissions that explore a wide range of fine arts styles and ideas other than cartoon art.

DO NOT SEND YOUR ORIGINAL ARTWORKS. They will not be considered. If you submit an original flipbook and would like it returned, you must include a self-addressed, stamped shipping envelope or box with your application. The California State Summer School for the Arts DOES NOT assume responsibility for the loss or damage of any materials submitted.

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