



CaliforniaSchool<sub>of the</sub>Arts

*San Gabriel Valley*



*Inaugural*  
**GRADUATION**  
*Ceremony*

**CLASS OF 2019**

**MAY 31 | 4PM**

**DUARTE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER**



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**COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM**

**OUTDOOR ENTERTAINMENT**

Ella Beyer and Almost Famous

Featuring: Ella Beyer, Bilal Krahenbuhl, Sam Morales, Heston Sabala,  
Aaron Sergile, Max Weiden, and Summer Woods

**WELCOME, PROCESSION, AND INTRODUCTION OF CONSERVATORIES**

Pomp and Circumstance: CSArts-SGV Yellow Jazz Combo

Directed by: Tyler McGeough

Junior Class Presidents: Melia Edwards and Megan Liu

**NATIONAL ANTHEM: "THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER"**

Music by: John Stafford Smith

Lyrics by: Francis Scott Key

Arranged by: Joel Jacklich

Vocal Director: Katherine Powers

Featuring: Madisyn Escartin, Erika Estrada, Maren Hamilton,  
Jacquelyn Hope, Gabriella Rios, and Ryanne Young

**SENIOR WELCOME**

Senior Class Presidents: Kalea Bringas and Jailene Mandujano

**COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS**

Phalaen Chang, Creative Writing

**INAUGURAL GRADUATING CLASS OF 2019 KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

Susan Egan, Broadway Actress and Concert Performer

**FEATURED PERFORMANCE**

Music and Lyrics by: John Blaylock and Stephen Cook, D.M.A.

Arranged by: Stephen Cook, D.M.A.

**COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS**

Aidan Schwartz, Creative Writing

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**COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM**

**FAREWELL ADDRESS**

William Wallace, Ed.D., Principal

**PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS AND MEDALLIONS**

William Wallace, Ed.D. and Conservatory Leadership Team  
Pianist: Stephen Cook, D.M.A.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF GRADUATES**

Stephen Cook, D.M.A., Vicky Hsu, Abbe Levine,  
Nicole Read, and Mindy Shiroma

**FUSION PERFORMANCE**

Music: Medley from *Glee*

Arranged by: Adam Anders and Peer Astrom

Musical Director: Stephen Cook, D.M.A.

Choreographer: Alison Dambach

Featuring: Jacob Aguilar, Scarlett Arreola, Nickolas Beene, Ella Beyer,  
Krista Chica-Valdovinos, Geena Gallego, Yasmeen Genie, Kate Gilbertson,  
Cate Gross, Alison Hwang, Melia Jost, Claudia Lee, Ryan Lew, Celine Lozano,  
Megan Lui, Rinn Maldonado, Esther Oh, Aidan Ramirez, Natalie Ramos,  
Sage Saling, Nicole Slessor, and Christopher Tellez

**PRESENTATION OF THE INAUGURAL GRADUATING CLASS OF 2019**

Senior Class Presidents: Kalea Bringas and Jailene Mandujano

**RECESSION**

*Inaugural Graduating Class of 2019*

**SCHOOL OF DANCE**

**Commercial Dance Conservatory**

*Alison Dambach, Chair of Dance*

Asia Aragon  
Alison Hwang + n c b  
Claudia Lee + n c  
Lindsey Martinez + n c  
Daylen McWhorter  
Alyssa Muniz =  
Nicole Slessor n  
Alyza Velazquez

**SCHOOL OF FINE & MEDIA ARTS**

**Creative Writing Conservatory**

*John Blaylock, Director*

Phalaen Chang + n c b  
Calvin Davey  
Gabriel Garciasalas  
Jocelyn Hancock  
Isaac Martinez  
Aidan Schwartz  
Justin Soto  
Nova Trujillo

**Integrated Arts Conservatory**

*Joey Ancona, Director*

Julia Alfaro = n c  
Tatiana Camacho  
Ysabella Curiel = n c  
Georgia Del George  
Evan Denisiu  
Bella DiFiore = n c  
Talia Johnson +  
Jailene Mandujano b  
Mary Neely  
Tehryn Scotton  
Gabriel Vigil  
Nora Wu + n

**Visual Arts Conservatory**

*Tiffany Ma, Director*

Ione Bustos = n  
Jolie Chan n c  
Sophie Dalrymple = c  
Valerie Gonzalez + n c b  
Inga Huang +  
Anna Madruga +  
Isabella McWilliams  
Maxwell Mullin b  
Leilani Munoz b  
Tessia Ochoa  
Bailee Roberts + n  
Jazlyn Turcios b  
Bonnie Wei  
Robin Wong =

**SCHOOL OF MUSIC**

**Instrumental Music Conservatory**

*Jeffrey E. de Seriere II, Director*

**Guitar Program**

Jovan Jeffs =

**Pianist Program**

*Stephen Cook, D.M.A., Coordinator*

Doris Chen + n c b  
Hanako Duffie + n c  
John Lathrop =

**Strings & Orchestra Program**

Erin Braden  
Edward Chang

**Wind & Jazz Studies Program**

John Boell  
Kalea Bringas + n c b  
Sebastian Huemer ++ n c  
Phillip Mardirossian  
Joseph Tavarez +  
Alyssa Wariner +

*Inaugural Graduating Class of 2019*

**Vocal Arts Conservatory**

*Katherine Powers, Director*

Madisyn Escartin  
Erika Estrada  
Maren Hamilton  
Jacquelyn Hope c  
Gabriella Rios + b  
Saylor Valin  
Ryenne Young

**Musical Theatre Conservatory**

*Jay Wallace, Chair of Theatre*

Jackson Barnard = n  
Aaron Caldarone  
Kayla Collins  
Payne Fraser +  
Carly Godoy  
Avery Kennedy +  
Catherine Maldonado + n c b  
Isabella Mead +  
Mackenzie Robinson +  
Hannah Valenzuela

**SCHOOL OF THEATRE**

**Acting Conservatory**

*Jay Wallace, Chair of Theatre*

Lily Annino  
Izelah Blanco  
Tigerlily Casillas  
Anise Contreras  
Connor Cooper  
Shayne Jarvie  
A'lasia Jones  
Gabriella Keshishian  
Shaylen Lass  
Kiana Taylor + n  
Maria Vasileva  
Karen Zamudio b

**Production & Design Conservatory**

*Kimberly Mitchell and  
Abraham Rodriguez, Directors*

Catherine Gross + n c  
Ryan Lew  
Kassidy Parinayakosol  
Nicole Riggs  
Mireya Robles b

++ Valedictorian with Distinction (4.5+ GPA)

+ Valedictorian (4.0 – 4.49 GPA)

= Salutatorian (3.75 – 3.99 GPA)

n Blue Stole – NHS Life Member

c Gold Cord – CSF Sealbearer

b Biliteracy Seal

*Junior Honor Guards*

**School of Dance**

Commercial Dance Honor Guard:  
Brandon Karagozian

**School of Fine & Media Arts**

Creative Writing Honor Guard:  
Jeremy Hsiao

Integrated Arts Honor Guard:  
Ella Guidry

Visual Arts Honor Guard:  
Brisa Parra

**School of Music**

Guitar Program Honor Guard:  
Joseph DeGroot

Pianist Program Honor Guard:  
Ann Gevorgyan

Strings & Orchestra Program Honor Guard:  
David Gonzalez

Wind & Jazz Studies Program Honor Guard:  
Masoud McLeod

Vocal Arts Honor Guard:  
Geena Gallego

**School of Theatre**

Acting Honor Guard:  
Noel Tessier

Musical Theatre Honor Guard:  
Katia Choi

Production & Design Honor Guard:  
Isabella Interian

*Graduation Production Crew*

**Creative Director**

Alison Dambach

**Production Manager**

Abraham Rodriguez

**Stage Manager**

Taylor Bradley

**Assistant Stage Manager**

Karin Yazejian

**Audio Engineer**

Vincent Camuglia

**Second Assistant Audio Engineer**

Elizabeth Doubrovsky

**Sound and Projection Operator**

Gracie Bain

**Deck Crew**

Kirsten Sandoval

**Lighting Designer**

William Jang

**Light Board Operator**

Clarissa Dubbs

**Graduation Speech Coordinator**

John Blaylock

**Graduation Powerpoint Production**

Jane Noh and the Yearbook Team

*Leadership*

**CSARTS-SGV  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Carolyn Breeden, Ed.D., Chair  
Karen A. Herrera, Secretary  
Ceci Carroll  
Vince Foley  
Carol Green  
Ron Green

**CSARTS-SGV  
PRESIDENT'S CIRCLE**

Michelle and Juan Alfonso  
Carolyn Breeden, Ed.D.  
Reese and Terry Coli  
Antoinette Corley-Newman  
and Craig Newman  
Kirstin and Collin Davis  
Carol and Ron Green  
Sue Hamilton and Heidi Godt  
Dianne Houston and Crystal Cooper  
Trish and Reid Jensen  
Irene and Daniel Lin  
Jennifer and Paul Luc  
Dr. Margo Malakoff and Lloyd Deforrest  
Janice and Sean Oh  
Theresa Patzakis and Dean Collins  
Leticia and Kele Perkins  
Kimberly and Mitchell Rily  
Julie Anne Robinson and Robert Jones  
Kerri and Kevin Sanford  
Santana Cycles, Inc.  
Lisa Teraishi-Wong and Richard Wong  
Jennifer and Christopher Thayer  
Marcy and Marc Ulrich  
Shannon Tymkiw and Brad Wheeler

**CSARTS FOUNDATION  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

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Maria Newkirk Fong, J.D.  
Bernard E. Schneider, J.D.

**CSARTS FOUNDATION  
BOARD OF COUNSELORS**

Matthew Morrison, Chairman  
Matt Conover  
Rob Cutietta, Ed.D.



*Administration & Support Staff*

**LEADERSHIP**

**Chief Executive Officer**

Ralph S. Opacic, Ed.D.

**Chief Operations Officer**

Steven Wagner

**Executive Vice President**

Teren Shaffer

**ADMINISTRATION &  
SUPPORT STAFF**

**Principal**

William Wallace, Ed.D.

**Assistant Principal**

Nicole Read

**Dean of Arts**

Abbe Levine

**Associate Dean of Arts**

Stephen Cook, D.M.A.

**Dean of Special Services**

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**School Counselors**

Vicky Hsu

Mindy Shiroma

**DUSD Arts Coordinator &  
CSArts-SGV Liaison**

Jenny Owen

**Support Staff**

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Pomaikaikaloa Nakoa

Martha Razo-Gonzalez

Sandra Salgado

Jeanna Pfeiffer

Christina Wu

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Claire Passaro

Leah Ramirez

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Shanna Goulden

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Allison Hackney

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Becky Parsons

**Foundation Office**

Anna Belmer

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Eileen Greenbaum

Julia Gutierrez

Tess Kellogg

Lori Kij

Janelle Kruly

Ricardo Mesina

Lori Solomon

Kelly Walpert

**Tech Support**

Omer Azeem

Julio Gallardo

Asa Merrigan

Jeff Moder

Tuan Pham

**Security**

Edilberto Bandalan

Dane Briggs

Herbert Cerna

Frances Kititu

Damon Lacy

Jose Martinez

**Maintenance**

Brad Abernathy

Ryan Bidwell

Debbie Peurrung

**Custodial Crew**

Merlyn Carranza

Kevin Cantillano

Esmeralda Escobar

Guillermo Monroy

Guadalupe Moreno

Danny Ramirez

Christian Rodriguez

Esther Torres

Jorge Vergara

*Conservatory Leadership*

**SCHOOL OF DANCE**

**Chair of Dance**  
Alison Dambach

**SCHOOL OF FINE & MEDIA ARTS**

**Director, Creative Writing Conservatory**  
John Blaylock

**Director, Integrated Arts Conservatory**  
Joey Ancona

**Director, Visual Arts Conservatory**  
Tiffany Ma

**SCHOOL OF MUSIC**

**Director, Instrumental Music Conservatory  
Coordinator, Guitar, Strings & Orchestra,  
and Wind & Jazz Studies Programs**  
Jeffrey E. de Seriere II

**Coordinator, Pianist Program**  
Stephen Cook, D.M.A.

**Director, Vocal Arts Conservatory**  
Katherine Powers

**SCHOOL OF THEATRE**

**Chair of Theatre**  
Jay Wallace

**Director, Production & Design Conservatory**  
Kimberly Mitchell  
Abraham Rodriguez

*Faculty*

**Academic**

Geoff Bowman  
 Heidi Bowman  
 Patricia Cardenas  
 Erin Conley  
 Sonya Egan  
 Chelsea Garcia  
 Gavin Goes  
 James Granger  
 Jeremy Hansuvadha  
 Ann Kim  
 Megan Mekjian  
 Courtney Miller  
 Neil Mohamed  
 Andrea Nelson  
 Jane Noh  
 Astrid Paraspolo  
 Andrew Pegan  
 Jake Read  
 Danielle Rhodes  
 Yadira Rivera  
 Kaitlyn Stiegler  
 Erick Taggart  
 Emma Thompson  
 Michael Turf  
 Nana Yang  
 Eduard Yegiazaryan  
 Jinglyng Yu  
 Tiffany Zhu

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 Kathryn Eames  
 Nicole Erb  
 Kristen Erickson  
 Lowell Everman  
 Gavin Gardner  
 Andrew Gilbert  
 Sophia Gould  
 Michael Grady  
 Dianne Graebner  
 Michael Gravagno  
 Harrison Halaska  
 Mia Halverson  
 Mark Harootian  
 Christina Harris  
 Simon Harrison  
 Aubrey Hawkinson  
 Jose Hernandez Vicente  
 Matthew Herrmann  
 Sierra Hogue  
 Mary Hong  
 Jia Huang  
 Thomas Idzinski  
 Graham Jackson  
 Timothy Jackson  
 Jamison Jones  
 Jared Justice  
 Elizabeth Kerstein  
 Christine Kim  
 Matthew Koenig  
 Mindy Krasner  
 Andrea Lamparello  
 Sarah Leibman  
 Jer Lelliott  
 Elizabeth Lopes  
 Alexis Lygoumenos  
 Kathleen Mackay  
 Adam Maron  
 Leo Matsuyama  
 Shane McClatchey  
 Tyler McGeough  
 Matthew McMullen  
 Bridget McNally  
 Elyse Mirtó  
 Grace Morrison  
 Sydney Moss  
 Kyoko Nakamura  
 Erika Newman  
 Kendall Oshiro-Hernandez

Harris Ostrander  
 Kelly Pate  
 Jekyns Pelaez  
 Katherine Pelensky  
 Laurie Pow  
 Tim Powers  
 Jillian Pretzel  
 Melissa Pryor  
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 Amanda Stuart  
 Daniel Sweren-Becker  
 Eric Thompson  
 Todd Tomlinson  
 Emma Touhey  
 Sakura Tsai  
 Ruby Wang  
 Jennifer Weiss  
 Guang Yang  
 Devon Yates  
 Amanda Zarr

**Conservatory**

Nicholas Acciani  
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 Ashley Allen  
 Daniel Anaya  
 Lillian Bartenstein  
 Andrew Beckner  
 Shaun Berke  
 Jonathan Berry  
 Deb Beyer  
 Ryan Brown  
 Vincent Camuglia  
 Dillon Carson  
 Gyeseon Choe  
 Emily Clark  
 Axel Clarke  
 Austin Crumley  
 Liezel De Guzman  
 Andree-Ann Deschenes

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 Andree-Ann Deschenes  
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 Paul Hennessey  
 Amanda Johnson  
 Jared Justice  
 Adam Maron  
 Laurie Muniz  
 Kevin Ramirez  
 Brittany Scott  
 Jordan Wentz  
 Annie Yee

