

FOFA Pathways to Success



CLAREMONT FOCUS ON FINE ARTS

A Brief Introduction for Students, Parents, and Teachers



The Claremont Focus on Fine Arts (FOFA), opening in the fall of 2012, is a one of a kind program dedicated to providing high-quality Fine Arts instruction and offering multiple opportunities for students to deepen and display their knowledge and appreciation of the Fine Arts.



Why FOFA?

For those students who excel (or want to) in the Fine Arts, this is the school for you! Our “school within a school” model will result in an opportunity to graduate from one of BC’s best high schools while at the same time getting extensive instruction in the Fine Arts in superb facilities with excellent teachers. Students enrolled in the FOFA will be able to graduate from Claremont *and* from the School of Fine Arts. The former will result in a provincial “dogwood” diploma and the latter will be a school-developed diploma that recognizes the student successfully completing 40 credits of a school-based Fine Arts course. Students enrolled in the FOFA will not need to pay any fees.

ART	DANCE
Art 9 & 10	Beginner 9-12
Art Foundations 11 &12	Intermediate 9-12
Art Foundations Int 11 & 12	Advanced 9-12
Photography 11 & 12	Yearlong Inter. 9-12
Fashion Design 11 &12	Yearlong Adv. 9-12



DRAMA	MUSIC	THEATRE
Drama 9	Choir 9-12	Stage Craft 9-12
Acting 10-12	Guitar 9-12	Directing/Script Wr. 12
Yearlong Drama 9-12	Concert Band 9-12	Film and T.V. 11 &12
	Jazz Band 9-12	



Important Dates for Prospective Students

February 1st-August 31st, 2012:

FOFA Registration

Call (250) 658-5221 for more information



FOFA Faculty

Visual Art: Incredible Expression

The Visual Art program at Claremont offers students diverse opportunities to explore visual arts through drawing, painting, sculpture, printmaking and photography. The program also offers Fashion Art and Design. The art courses primarily focus on art making in a studio environment however art history and contemporary art are introduced as a source of inspiration for art making. At the end of each semester, students' works are displayed in a public show curated by the students.

Drama: Passionate about Performance

The renowned Drama program at Claremont provides opportunities for those who want to be immersed in Drama (the Year-Long Drama program) or want to take Drama for the first time or to compliment their artistic pursuits (regular option). Both programs focus on creative exploration, character development and theatre performance. Every year a trip to either London or New York is planned as an extra-curricular activity for students to deepen their understanding of professional theatre.



Music: Endless Possibilities

Claremont Music Program offers a range of studies in vocal and instrumental music. The Concert Band rehearses a variety of styles of music from popular, marches and classical. Jazz band music will be selected from blues, rock, Latin, and funk. The focus of Choir is to enjoy signing in its many forms. They will sing music from a verity of genres such as, popular, Broadway, classical, spirituals, and jazz. These year-long courses allow students to develop their skills throughout the full year while performing in the school, community, festivals, and possible music tours. Guitar is offered as a timetabled class for students who wish to learn general music through the guitar.

Musical Theatre: Triple Threat Training

“Gotta Sing, Dance, Act?” Come be a part of the show! The Musical Theatre program at Claremont provides opportunities for all levels of experience from beginner to ‘triple threat’ to learn, develop and hone their performance skills. All students who enrol in the course are guaranteed a role in the culminating musical in May. Auditions are held to determine casting. Students will receive in-depth instruction in music, dance, acting, theatre performance, and career management.

Dance: Feel the Rhythm

With the largest Dance program in the district, students can choose from Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced level classes. For those who are passionate, year-long dance is available at the Intermediate and Advanced levels. Students are exposed to many styles of Dance throughout the course; Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop, Lyrical and Contemporary. Each course culminates in our end of semester *Night of Dance* performances where each class/level performs at least 5 full-length pieces for a public audience.

Film and Television: 3-2-1...Action!

Film and Television 11/12 will provide opportunities for students to develop the knowledge, skills, and attitudes they need to respond to and create film and television productions. In the course, students will gain practical experience in some of the major areas of the industry, including acting/directing, scriptwriting, and production. This experience introduces students to the standards of the film and television industry and is a great jumpstart to a career in this field.

Stagecraft: Setting the Scene

This multi-grade course focuses on providing students the opportunity to shine behind the scenes. Students will be given opportunities to learn about the craft of technical theatre and support the various Fine Arts offerings at Claremont. Students will be given instruction in lighting, sound, properties, set construction and painting as well as understanding how a theatre production operates. Students not only build the productions at Claremont, they also run them. Classes are offered in the gorgeous Ridge Playhouse at Claremont Secondary.