



April 22, 2020

Dear ArtsBridge Summer Students and Families,

We have made a thoughtful, informed decision to move all ArtsBridge Summer 2020 programs online. The safety and well-being of our students, faculty and staff is our top priority, and we feel this is the best way to support this mission.

We realize this is disappointing and we wish we could be with you in person. ArtsBridge Summer is a program that requires so much planning and travel; waiting until June 1st to make the same decision would mean losing precious time to focus our efforts on delivering a robust and challenging virtual program to our students.

We know you have questions about what ArtsBridge Summer Virtual will include, how it will work, what to expect, and more, so we encourage you to read this detailed email and to attend one of our Zoom Q&A sessions (see below). You will hear directly from us about what's to come and get your questions answered.

ArtsBridge Summer Virtual will retain as much programming from our physical programs as possible. We also plan to take advantage of the amazing opportunities that virtual teaching and learning can offer. The ArtsBridge Summer Virtual curriculum will include one-on-one lessons and coaching, small group instruction, and large group classes – all in real-time. Content will be aimed at preparing students for the college audition process and experience and will include a variety of extracurricular sessions to help students prepare for the admissions and application process.

ArtsBridge Summer Virtual will culminate in video mock auditions. Just as always, at the conclusion of the program, students will receive a written report from the faculty discussing their strengths and areas to improve in their videos as well as additional notes from their work in their online sessions.

ArtsBridge Summer is fortunate to have a faculty made up of inspiring and dedicated people who teach at universities, colleges, and conservatories across the country. Our faculty have already adapted their college curricula and teaching styles to suit a virtual classroom experience with the support and guidance from some of the best institutions of higher learning in the United States. We are thrilled that they are already bringing their fresh experience and expertise to the planning



for ArtsBridge Summer Virtual. Our mission and commitment remain the same: connecting students with experts from top college programs to prepare them for the college audition process. You have the best in the biz on this!

Specific updates for each program, including sample schedules and course descriptions, will be sent next week. Please stay tuned for those updates.

Zoom Info Sessions and Q&A

We will be offering three different Zoom sessions for students and families to attend. In these sessions we will explain the details of ArtsBridge Summer Virtual and give students and families the opportunity to ask questions (registration is NOT required).

Thursday, April 30, 8pm EDT

Friday, May 1, 1pm EDT

Saturday, May 2, 2pm EDT

Tuition and Fees

Room and Board fees of \$1300 will be removed from each bill since students will not need campus services. Based on the changes we are making to deliver this program online, we have made the decision to **reduce tuition to \$3150**.

We know the current situation has affected many families and we want to support you as best we can. As we are committed to making it possible for all our students to attend ArtsBridge Summer Virtual, **scholarship dollar amounts will remain the same**. If you received a scholarship for full tuition or if your award exceeded \$3150, you will receive a refund of your deposit amount.

Deciding to Participate

If you do not wish to attend ArtsBridge Summer Virtual, you may simply opt out and receive a full refund of your deposit and any payments (minus your application fee) you have made. Please note that you will have several weeks to make this decision, so we encourage you to really understand what this program will offer before making your decision.

Opt in or out by no later than **May 15th, 2020**

Tuition balance due by **June 15th, 2020**

To opt in or out, please log in to the student's GetAcceptd account and select the "Continue" button next to "ArtsBridge Summer Programs and Workshops."



We wish you all good health and hope to see you on a screen in the very near future. Stay tuned for more and please stay well!

Sincerely,
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