



A general photo caption about CalArts student work

California Institute of the Arts (CalArts)

Since its founding in 1961 by Walt Disney and his brother Roy O. Disney, CalArts has provided an innovative laboratory of the arts for generations of young artists. CalArts was the first interdisciplinary art school in the United States to grant bachelor's and master's degrees in both the visual and performing arts. Through a rigorous and individualized education, our students gain in-depth knowledge and experience that provides a foundation for a lifetime of experimentation and allows them to gain the elusive distinction of being an artist.

FoCA

Friends of CalArts (FoCA) is an annual giving society whose members enjoy exclusive opportunities to engage with the artistic innovators of our time. From engaging salons to a private dinner with Steven Lavine, CalArts President, FoCA offers deep engagement with a diverse artistic community. Through a variety of FoCA events, members network with fellow patrons and meet the artists who have chartered CalArts' reputation as a powerful catalyst in shaping the cultural life of our nation and our world.

Since its founding in 1990, FoCA has raised more than \$2.5 million for student scholarship to support the tremendously talented next generation of artists at CalArts. From our initial FoCA supporters, we have found friends who now support CalArts across a broad range of needs. In 2008, we will recognize this larger community of CalArts patrons with membership in FoCA.

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Friends of CalArts

Message from the Chairs

We invite you to join the Friends of CalArts (FoCA), and gain an insider's perspective on the artistic process that defines the CalArts community. As a member of FoCA, you will have the opportunity to go behind the scenes to discover the wonder of art-making, as led by today's most distinguished and innovative artists. You will be able to meet the emerging talents that your friends will learn about tomorrow across all disciplines: art, dance, film, music, theater, writing. By joining FoCA, you will support the unique, personalized educational experience of CalArts and promote its mission of enabling cutting-edge art world-wide. We hope that you will join FoCA and we look forward to welcoming you to this community of CalArts supporters.

Warm regards,

JANET DREISEN
CalArts Trustee
FoCA Co-chair

DAVID L. SCHIFF
CalArts Alumnus and Trustee
FoCA Co-chair

FoCA Events

All members of FoCA at all levels of participation enjoy exclusive events within the CalArts artistic community. Biannual events range from intimate living-room salons held at private residences to private tours of local arts institutions to exclusive gatherings featuring the work of our most prominent alumni. All FoCA events tap into the unique creative energy of CalArts and provide access to cultural innovators unequalled by any other institution in the region.

In addition, FoCA members are invited to celebrate the arts with art-lovers of all ages at our FoCA family event. At our first annual family event in 2007, members of the CalArts community attended a premiere screening of the Pixar film *Ratatouille*, hosted by Pixar director and CalArts alumnus Brad Bird.

The CalArts community extends beyond state borders and across international waters, and we welcome supporters from around the world to join FoCA. These members in particular are invited to exclusive regional events developed in collaboration with the CalArts alumni community.



Photo caption about FoCA event/panel discussion

FoCA Dean's Salons

FoCA members at the Experimenter level and higher will have an opportunity to intimately engage with one of CalArts' deans or program directors, artistic leaders who are at the forefront of today's creative and aesthetic trends. From a dean as the guest of honor at your dinner party to a guided tour of the dean's studio to simply your own personal class about contemporary art over a shared bottle of wine, the Dean's Salons are individually crafted experiences designed to provide an in-depth exploration of your cultural interests. FoCA members may also decide to use this singular opportunity as a meaningful gift for a loved one or a unique way to thank a colleague.

Photo caption about *Ratatouille* screening/Dreisen/Cheadles/Bird



Photo caption about FoCA event/Vicky Ray/Mark Menzies

Benefits of FoCA Membership

FoCA Fellow* \$2,500 *(\$2,340 is tax deductible)*

- Invitations to exclusive biannual FoCA events featuring distinguished leaders from the fields of art and culture
- Invitation to annual FoCA family event
- Invitations to regional events throughout the country

FoCA Patron \$5,000 *(\$4,870 is tax deductible)*

all of the above benefits, plus

- Invitation to the REDCAT season launch party each fall
- Opportunity to reserve tickets to year-end student performances or screenings, such as the Character Animation Producers Show

FoCA Benefactor \$10,000 *(\$9,770 is tax deductible)*

all of the above benefits, plus

- Opportunity to host a personalized Dean's Salon for your family and friends
- Invitation to attend private viewings of student exhibitions before they open to the public, such as MFA art thesis shows

FoCA Investor \$25,000 *(\$24,570 is tax deductible)*

all of the above benefits, plus

- Invitation to annual spring President's Dinner at his private residence
- Complimentary membership in the REDCAT Circle

FoCA Leader \$50,000 *(\$49,470 is tax deductible)*

all of the above benefits, plus

- Invitation to join CalArts leadership for travel and learning opportunities

FoCA Visionary \$100,000 *(\$99,370 is tax deductible)*

all of the above benefits, plus

- Opportunity to work closely with a member of the CalArts artistic community to create a one-of-a-kind art commission

*Young Alumni

Receive all of the FoCA Collaborator privileges
Current and 1–5 years post graduation \$250 *(\$180 is tax deductible)*
6–10 years post graduation \$1000 *(\$930 is tax deductible)*

For information on corporate giving, higher levels of support, and program sponsorship opportunities, please contact the CalArts Advancement Office at (661) 253-7736.

