WED., AUG. 28

10am-3pm  New International Student On-Campus Move-in  
*Chouinard and Ahmanson Halls*  
When you arrive to your respective residence, you will be greeted by Orientation and International Office staff who will issue your room key. Volunteers from throughout the Institute will be on board to welcome you and to help you move in.

10am-Noon  New Student Identification (ID) Card Photos  
(International Students On-Campus)  
*Main Building, MOD Theater Lobby*  
For new international students who live on-campus who have paid their tuition and fees.

Noon-5pm  Local Store Runs  
*Various locations in Santa Clarita*  
Orientation Leaders will be providing transportation via CalArts vans every hour to local stores. Meet at Chouinard Crosswalk for pick-up.

5pm  International Student Welcome Dinner  
*Chouinard Hall, Mom’s Café*

THUR., AUG. 29
9am-4pm  **International Student Orientation**  
*Main Building, Main Gallery*  
New international students will review and complete necessary sessions throughout the day. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

9am-11am  **New Student Identification (ID) Card Photos**  
*(International Students Off-Campus)*  
*Main Building, MOD Theater Lobby*  
For new international students who live off-campus and who have paid their tuition and fees.

5-8pm  **Dinner Van Runs**  
*In N Out and Vons Shopping Center*  
Orientation Leaders will be providing transportation via CalArts vans to In N Out and Vons shopping center for dinner. Meet at Chouinard Crosswalk for pick-up.

8pm  **Movie by the Pool**  
*Chouinard Hall, Chouinard Pool*  
Lay out on a blanket and enjoy some popcorn or go swimming in the pool as we watch Oscar-winning film *Spider Man: Into the Spider-Verse*, directed by CalArts Character Animation alum Bob Persichetti (Film/Video BFA 96).

**FRI., AUG. 30**

9am-4pm  **International Student Orientation**  
*Main Building, Main Gallery*  
New international students will review and complete necessary sessions throughout the day. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

5-8pm  **Dinner Van Runs**  
*Valencia Town Center and Target Shopping Center*  
Orientation Leaders will be providing transportation via CalArts vans to the Valencia Town Center (the mall) and the Target Shopping Center for dinner. Meet at Chouinard Crosswalk for pick-up.

9pm  **Game Night**  
*Chouinard Hall, Mom’s Café*  
Board games, video games, or dance party games. Team up or compete with friends to win some great prizes!

**SAT., AUG. 31**

8am-3pm  **New Student On-Campus Residence Move-in**
Chouinard and Ahmanson Halls
Please refer to your designated move-in times provided to you by the Residence Life Office. When you arrive to your respective residence, you will be greeted by Residence Life staff who will issue your room key. Volunteers from throughout the Institute will be on board to welcome you and to help you move in.

Noon-4pm  
**New Student Identification (ID) Card Photos**  
*New Students On-Campus*  
*Main Building, MOD Theater Lobby*  
For new students who live on-campus who have paid their tuition and fees.

Noon –4 PM  
**Welcome Lounge**  
*Mom’s Cafe, Chouinard Hall*  
Come relax in the Welcome Lounge for refreshments provided the Office of Alumnx & Family Engagement.

3-4 PM  
**Alumnx Ambassador Hour**  
*Mom’s Cafe, Chouinard Hall*  
We invite you to take a break and chat with alumnx about their CalArts experiences. As we like to say, by the end of the day, you will have learned to speak "fluent CalArtian."

5pm  
**Parent and Family Orientation: Residence Life Staff**  
*Mom’s Café, Chouinard Hall*  
A special opportunity for parents and families to meet the staff of Residence Life. Here you can learn more about the residence hall activities and the atmosphere as well as have any lingering questions answered.

5 p.m.  
**Ahmanson Hall Housing Orientation (Ahmanson Residents Only)**  
*Ahmanson Hall (location information provided at check-in)*  
Ahmanson residents will meet with their Resident Assistant during this time to learn more about the resources available to them as well as the community standards of this intentional living and learning community.

5 p.m.  
**Chouinard Hall Housing Orientation (Chouinard Hall Residents Only)**  
*Chouinard Hall (location information provided at check-in)*  
Chouinard residents will meet with their Resident Assistant during this time to learn more about the resources available to them as well as the community standards of this intentional living and learning community.

**SUN., SEPT. 1**  
**FAMILY AND FRIENDS ORIENTATION**
Welcome Reception
*Main Building, Main Gallery*
The official kickoff of New Student Orientation includes opening remarks from Vice President of Student Experience, Brian Harlan. After, enjoy some morning snacks and coffee.

**10-11:30am** CalArts Convocation
*Main Building, Main Gallery*
Join the academic leadership of CalArts for our matriculation ceremony for all incoming students. All attendees will be welcomed by the President, Provost, and School Deans, and students will receive their cohort pin.

11:30am-1pm Lunch
*Main Building, Main Gallery*

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1-1:45pm  Meet Your Orientation Leader!  
*Main building, Main Gallery*  
Students will have this opportunity to meet their Orientation group and talk with their OL about what to expect from Orientation week.

2-5pm  Student Sessions
- Get Involved on Campus  
*Main Building, Main Gallery*  
- Finding Some Work  
*Main Building, Lund*  
- So you want to Graduate?  
*Main Building, MOD Theater*

5pm  Family Time and Say Goodbye  
For many this would be the opportune time to say goodbye to families and friends.

9pm  Capture the Flag  
*Main Building, Main Gallery*  
Team up with your Villain Orientation group for a CalArtian twist to this classic game. Prizes for the winning team.

MON., SEPT 2 (LABOR DAY)
10am-4pm  **Student Experience Orientation**  
*Main Building, Main Gallery*

*Required for all new and transfer students. Lunch will be provided.*

- Students Rights and Responsibilities
- Transitions and Cultural Awareness
- Title XI and Sexual Respect

4-11pm  **CalArts Villains Roller Skating Party**  
*Parking Lot 1*

Enjoy some carnival games, get some food, and roller skate at our villains-themed skating party!

TUES., SEPT 3

8-10am  **Morning Hike!**  
*Main Building, Parking Lot 1 (Big Blue Wall)*

Take a morning hike with some Orientation Leaders as we explore Santa Clarita’s own Towsley Canyon Park. Towsley Canyon Park is a peaceful local park with a charming creek known for its hiking trails, gorge, and scenic views. Meet at 8am in front of the big blue wall.

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**All New Off-Campus Students**

Noon-4pm  **New Student Identification (ID) Card Photos**  
*(New Students Off-Campus)*  
*Main Building, MOD Theater Lobby*

For new students who live off-campus and who have paid their tuition and fees.

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**Herb Alpert School of Music**

9-10am  **Herb Alpert School of Music New Student Orientation**  
*Main Building, Main Gallery*

- Welcome from the Dean
- Brief overview of testing and Orientation schedule

10am-Noon  **Music Theory Placement Exam**  
*Undergraduate (BFA) students: Main Building, B302 (Roy O. Disney Concert Hall)*  
*Graduate (MFA) students: Wild Beast Pavilion*

Required for all new undergraduate and graduate students in the Herb Alpert School of Music at CalArts. Includes for BFAs (only) a keyboard proficiency
assessment in the second part of the examination period. Please go to your respective testing area as listed above. No make-up exams will be offered.

**Music Office Check-In**
As soon as you finish the theory placement exam, please visit B322 (The Music Office) to request lessons, keys, lockers, etc.

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School of Dance

1-3pm  Sharon Disney Lund School of Dance New Student Orientation
*Main Building, Sharon Disney Lund Dance Theater*
- Welcome from the Dean
- Meet Faculty/Staff
- Program Orientation and Mentoring

School of Film/Video

9am-4pm  School of Film/Video New Student Facilities Orientation (Character Animation)
*Main Building, A404 Black & White Studio*
Mandatory for new students in Character Animation (BFA)
Lunch will be provided.

10am-5pm  School of Film/Video New Student Facilities Orientation (EA/FDP/PFV)
*Main Building, A404 Black & White Studio*
Mandatory for new students in the Experimental Animation (BFA and MFA), Film Directing Program (MFA), and Program in Film and Video (BFA and MFA)
Lunch will be provided.

WED., SEPT 4

ALL New BFA Students

9-10am  New BFA Orientation – Critical Studies
*Main Building, Modular Theater*
This mandatory meeting for all new BFA students will provide incoming undergraduate students the opportunity to meet Critical Studies faculty as they provide helpful information about course requirements and offerings.

All Students

10am-Noon  New Student Identification (ID) Card Photos (Make-up Session)
*Main Building, MOD Theater Lobby*
For new students who have paid their tuition and fees.

Noon-4pm  Popcorn Day!
*Main Building, D206a (Student Activities Office)*

12am  Haunted Tales
*Main Building, Main Gallery*
Whether or not you believe in ghosts, the stories behind some of these halls are enough to send chills down your spine.
**Herb Alpert School of Music**

2-4:30pm  
**Herb Alpert School of Music New Student Information Session**  
*Main Building, B302 (Roy O. Disney Concert Hall)*

5-7pm  
**Herb Alpert School of Music Welcome and Faculty Recital**  
*Wild Beast Pavilion*  
All new undergraduate and graduate School of Music students will have the opportunity to meet faculty and listen to them perform.

**School of Art**

10am-Noon  
**School of Art Orientation – Lab Tours**  
All incoming BFA and MFA Art students are invited to participate in an informal and self-guided tour of the various labs available to them: Super Shop, MacLab, Print & Media Lab, Photo & Media Lab, and Video Lab. Lab directors will be available to answer any questions. Go directly to each lab.

1-3pm  
**Mentoring of Continuing Students in Art, Photography and Media, and Art Technology**  
*Art Students: Main Building, F200*  
*Photography and Media Students: Main Building, E11A*  
*Art and Technology: Main Building, C107*

**School of Critical Studies**

3-8pm  
**MFA Creative Writing Program Teaching Assistant Orientation**  
*Butler Building #4 (BB4-D)*

**School of Theater**

1-4pm  
**School of Theater New Student Orientation and Mentoring**  
*Main Building, Modular Theater*

4-7pm  
**School of Theater All-School Meeting**  
*Main Building, Modular Theater*  
*Reception following at Main Building, Coffeehouse Theater and Tatum Patio.*

**School of Film/Video**

2-5pm  
**School of Film/Video New Student Academic Orientation**  
*Main Building, Bijou Theater*  
- Welcome from the Dean
• Program Orientation
• Mentoring

THURS., SEPT 5

All Students

9am-Noon  
Course Advising Day and Registration (Students with Last Names L-Z)  
*Main Building, Main Gallery*
Any student whose last name starts with L-Z and who needs an instructor’s signature, or who would like to discuss course selection with faculty, or who has not yet registered for Fall 2019 classes may do so at this time.

10am-4pm  
Student Accommodation Requests  
*Main Building, A207 (Student Affairs Office)*
This is an opportunity to stop by Student Affairs and make an appointment with our Director of Care and Well Being, Maria-Victoria Perez, for inquiry or to request accommodations.

1:30-4:30pm  
Course Advising Day and Registration (Students with Last Names A-K)  
*Main Building, Main Gallery*
Any student whose last name starts with A-K and who needs an instructor’s signature, or who would like to discuss course selection with faculty, or who has not yet registered for Fall 2019 classes may do so at this time.

School of Theater

7-9pm  
School of Theater Management Office Set-up  
*Main Building, E305, E309*
All Theater Producing, Production Management, Stage Management, and Technical Direction students attend.

FRI., SEPT. 6

All Students

9-10am  
Morning Yoga!  
*Main Building, Main Gallery*

Noon-1pm  
Surviving your first year  
*Generator building, G201/G202*
Q&A with retuning BFA and MFA students share some advice on how to survive your first year at CalArts. Q&A to follow. Lunch will be provided.

7-10pm  
Campus Life Welcome BBQ
Chouinard Hall, Pool
Come get some sun, swim, and hang out poolside to enjoy some grilled food (carnivores and herbivores alike) courtesy of Campus Life.

**All new BFA Students**

10-11am  
Library Orientation – including its Computer Lab  
(New BFA Students with Last Names A-K)  
*Main Building, Library*

11am-Noon  
Library Orientation – including its Computer Lab  
(New BFA Students with Last Names L-Z)  
*Main Building, Library*

**All New MFA Students**

1-1:30pm  
Library Orientation (New MFA Students in School of Film/Video Programs)  
*Main Building, Library*

1:30-2pm  
Library Orientation (New MFA Students in School of Art and IM)  
*Main Building, Library*

2-2:30pm  
Library Orientation (New MFA Students in Creative Writing, Aesthetics and Politics)  
*Main Building, Library*

2:30-3pm  
Library Orientation (New MFA Students in Sharon Disney Lund School of Dance)  
*Main Building, Library*

3-3:30pm  
Library Orientation (New MFA and DMA Students in Herb Alpert School of Music)  
*Main Building, Library*

3:30-4pm  
Library Orientation (New MFA Students in Theater)  
*Main Building, Library*

School of Theater

10am-2pm  
**Design Studio Setup**  
*Main Building, E205 and E209*  
All Theater Design students—new and continuing—will help set up the Design Studio.

School of Film/Video
11:30am-1pm  School of Film/Video Ice Cream Social  
*BB3M Sound Stage*
Open to all School of Film/Video new and continuing students, faculty, and staff. Join us for pizza and ice cream.

**WELCOME WEEKEND**

**SAT., SEPT. 7**  
**9am**  Farmers Market  
*Main Building, Big Blue Wall (front entrance)*  
Orientation Leaders will be taking students via CalArts vans to the local farmers market and sharing some tips for healthy eating in college.

**2-5pm**  Water Olympics  
*Soccer Field*  
Cool off from the heat! Team up with your orientation group and compete in some fun water-themed games. Prizes for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams!

**9pm**  Soccer Field Bonfire  
*Soccer Field*  
Turn up the heat, roast some marshmallows, and enjoy the evening outdoors.

**SUN., SEPT 8**  
**10am-4pm**  Splish Splash Beach Trip  
*Main Building, Big Blue Wall (front entrance)*  
Get out of the Santa Clarita heat and spend some time at Venice beach! Known for its bohemian spirit, Venice is a buzzing beach town with upscale commercial and residential pockets. Free-spirited Venice Boardwalk is the site of funky shops, street performers, and colorful murals. There’s also a skate park and Muscle Beach outdoor gym. Abbot Kinney Boulevard features foodie hot spots, stylish boutiques, and coffee bars. A picturesque enclave of canals is surrounded by modernist homes. We will provide the bus ride, sign-up sheets to save your seats will be in the Student Activities Office (D206a).