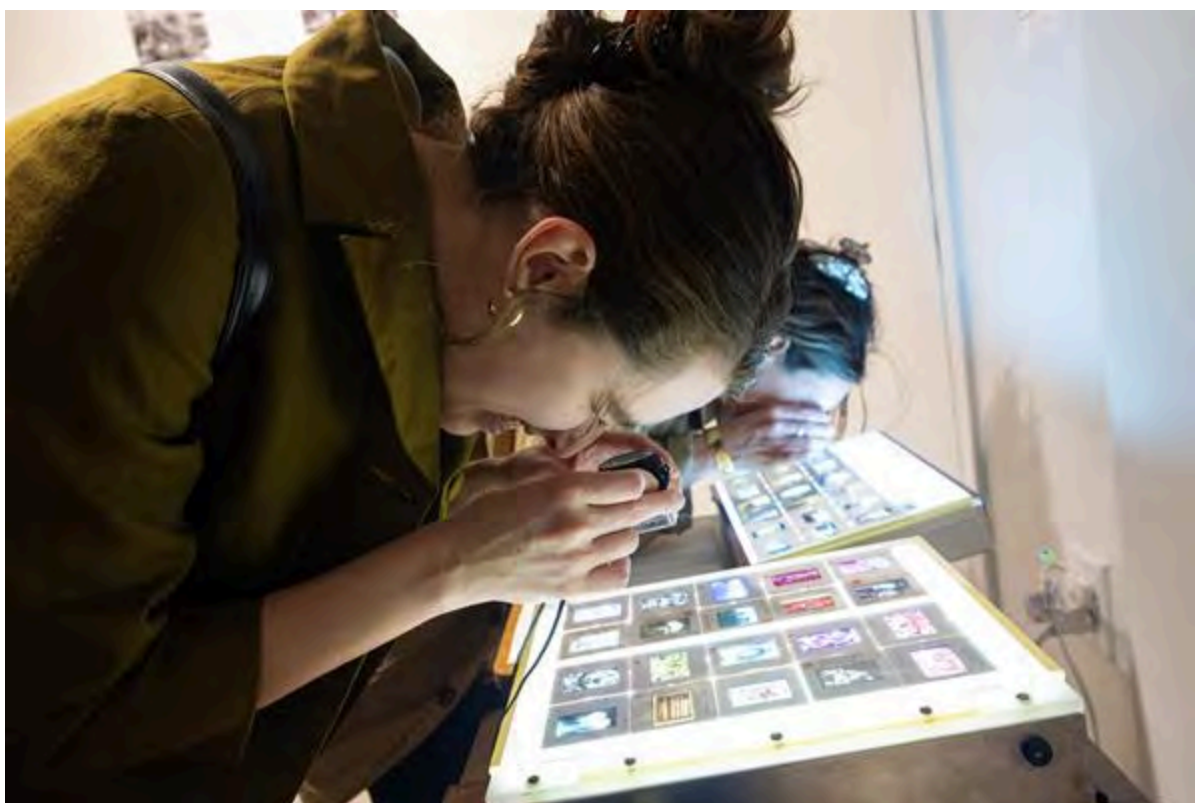

School of the Arts Upcoming - August/September 2025

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Art & Design BFA Exhibition at Festival of the Arts 2025

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Hello School of the Arts,

Welcome back to our third year as the School of the Arts! We hope you had a restful and productive summer. We have a lot of updates and upcoming events to share with you, so here's a quick overview of what's new since Spring:

- **Two New Minors**

We have launched two new multi-disciplinary minors: [Lighting Minor](#) and [Sound Technologies Minor](#). You can read more about requirements [here](#), and declare [here](#).

- **Welcome to our Community**

We're excited to introduce new members to our faculty and staff:

Art & Design: Daniel Rotsztain (Lecturer in Graphic Design for AY 25-26) and Tamara Lindow (Administrative Assistant).

Cinema: Jason Bernagozzi (Assistant Professor). Katie Kirkland (Assistant Professor), Rebecca Chastain (MFA Fellowship instructor), Kirsten Gill (Lecturer), and Georgie Gentile (Adjunct instructor).

Music: Curt Pajer (Head Vocal Coach & Conductor of Opera), Robert Pace (Lecturer in Vocal Coaching), Kaitlyn Bailey (Administrative Assistant) and Robbie Manners (Concert & Facilities Manager).

Theatre: Madeline Harts (Assistant Professor of Musical Theatre), Jenny Gac (Adjunct Lecturer, Voice), Richard Koons (Adjunct Lecturer, Voice) and Susan Eichhorn-Young (Adjunct Lecturer, Voice).

- **Summer Funding**

Lithium Landscapes and the Arts

With seed funding from the *Provost Awards for Research Grants: A Sustainable World* program, work began this summer on a cross-disciplinary collaboration between the School of the Arts and Dr. Stanley Wittingham's energy storage lab to create three major art pieces (performing and visual arts) exploring the local and global Lithium-Ion battery industry. The project includes Colin Lyons (Art & Design), Elizabeth Mozer (Theatre), Hao Liu (Chemistry), Sarah Nance (Art & Design), and Yuxin Wang (Environmental Studies).

Arts in the Community

We were thrilled by the strong response to our call for projects fostering community engagement through the arts. Funded by the *Road Map Strategic Priority 4 (SP4)*, the School of the Arts is supporting 15 projects this year and, over the fall semester, will purchase equipment to help our departments present students' work in collaboration with the surrounding community.

Film Festival in Croatia

With support from Harpur Edge and the School of the Arts, Cinema graduate students Andrew Frangella, Brian Grey, and Ben Stone have spent the summer collaborating with faculty member Monteith McCollum on a live cinematic performance they will present at the *Vladimir Film Festival* in Croatia in

September.

We're so excited to see everyone back on campus and diving into what promises to be an inspiring year for the arts.

Christopher Robbins
Founding Director, School of the Arts
Harpur College, Binghamton University

Coming This Fall

- **Fall Events Calendar**

Be sure to check out the **School of the Arts Calendar** for the schedule of our upcoming events in the arts.

- **School of Arts Meet and Greet**

August 26, 5pm, Grand Corridor, Arts Building

A casual faculty/staff meet and greet – eat some food, meet your new colleagues, and reconnect after the summer!

- **Sonic Immersion**

August 30 & 31, 12pm–10pm

HCS/Spooky Action Industrial Arts

1803 Castle Gardens Rd, Vestal, NY

A two-day outdoor sound art festival at an art center/skatepark, bringing together local bands, musicians, audio engineers, skateboarders, and School of the Arts.

All are welcome—come play, jam, ride, or just watch!

- **Grantwriting for the Arts Workshop**

September 30, 5-6:30 p.m., LN 1302C

This workshop, led by Binghamton-based fiber artist Anna Warfield, is designed for graduate and upper-level undergraduate students in the arts. Warfield has presented similar programs for the New York Foundation for the Arts (NYFA) and the Community Foundation for South Central New York.

Due to limited seating, please **RSVP** if you would like to attend the workshop.

- **Inaugural Visiting Artist: Tony Cokes**

November 17, 6 p.m.

We are delighted to announce the School of the Arts Inaugural Visiting

Artist, **MacArthur "genius award" winner Tony Cokes.**

- **Student Mixers**

Stay tuned for more interdisciplinary mixers for undergraduate and graduate students in the arts.



Student Terra Donahue playing at the Festival of the Arts '25

Photo credit: Jonathan Cohen

In other news...

- Jen DeGregorio, associate director of Creative Writing, recently released her first book, a poetry collection titled "*What to Wear Out.*" Read more about it [here](#).
- The first graduates from Binghamton University's MFA in Cinema program screened their films at the historic [Anthology Film Archives](#) in New York City. This May 28 event was dedicated to the memory of Tomonari Nishikawa, who helped establish the new program. You can find more about it [here](#).
- Theatre faculty emeriti Tom Kremer and Carol Hanscom will receive a Star on the "Wall of Stars" at the Binghamton Forum Theatre for acting or directing 219 productions during 45 years at the Cider Mill Playhouse.
- You still have time to check out the work of Art & Design faculty Andrea Kastner, DeCarlo Logan, and Kari Varner at the Johnson Museum of Art at

Cornell University, [open until August 24](#).

- The Public Theater in New York City will be featuring "The Other Americans," starring Emmy Award Winner John Leguizamo. The play is directed by Theatre alum, Ruben Santiago-Hudson, and also features another alum, Trey Santiago-Hudson.
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To have your update featured, please fill out this [form](#).

EVENTS HIGHLIGHTS

August & September 2025

Please see below for highlights from each department, and check out the [School of the Arts calendar](#) for much, much more. [Subscribe from your phone](#) for easy access.

THEATRE

Welcome Week

8/18-8/24

FA building | Free Admission

- Season Opening Kick-off
8/19 | 6:30 p.m.
Watters Theater

List of all "Welcome Week" events is available [here](#), and on our [calendar](#)





MUSIC

Faculty Recital: Greg Evans Trio

Featuring Greg Evans, drums; August Bish, bass; Zack Knewstubb, piano

8/24 | 4 p.m.

Casadesus Recital Hall | Free Admission

ART AND DESIGN

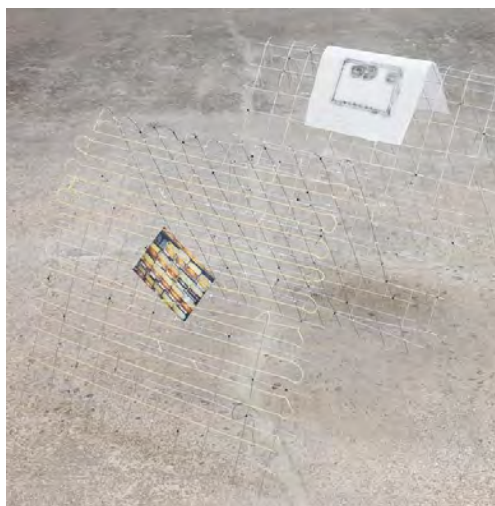
Takming Chuang's Exhibition: Bardo

On view: 8/28 - 9/30

M-F 9-5 p.m.

Rosefsky Gallery | Free Admission

- Artist Lecture
8/28 | 5 p.m.
LH 10
- Gallery Opening
8/28 | 6 p.m.



SOAR

Sonic Immersion

8/29 & 8/30 | Noon - 10 p.m.

HCS/Spooky Action Industrial Arts in Vestal
| Free Admission

BU ART MUSEUM

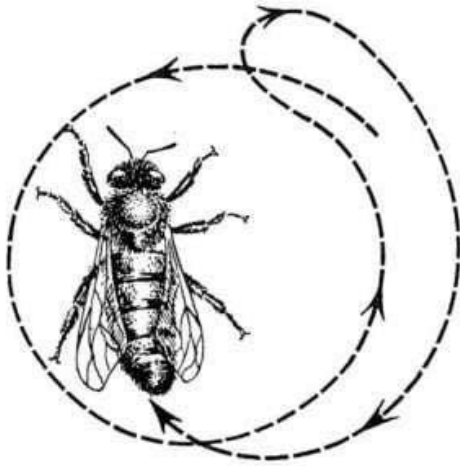
In the American Grain: Exploring America through Art, 1919–1946

On view: 9/4 – 12/6

T-S Noon-4 p.m. | TR Noon-7 p.m.

Main Gallery | Free Admission

- Opening Reception
9/4 | 5 p.m.



The Material+Visual Worlds TAE

"First Things" conversation

Featuring Magdalena Bermudez (Cinema),
Amber (Amy) Churchill (Environmental
Studies), and Eliza Grames (Biology)

9/11 | 5 p.m.

Anderson Center Reception Room | Free
Admission

CINEMA

***Harpur Cinema: Killer of Sheep* (Charles Burnett)**

9/12 & 9/14 | 7:30 p.m.

LH 6 | Ticketed (\$4 at door)





ART HISTORY

VizCult Series

Kelly Presutti (Cornell University): Moving Mountains in Nineteenth-Century France

9/17 | 5 p.m.

LN 1106 | Free Admission

CREATIVE WRITING

Book Launch for AJ White

9/18 | 6 p.m.

Jay S. & Jeanne Benet Alumni Lounge |
Free Admission



SOAR

Grantwriting in the Arts Workshop with Anna Warfield

9/30 | 5 p.m.

LN 1302C | [RSVP](#)

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