
School of the Arts Upcoming - May 2025



Hello, School of the Arts!

It is our final newsletter for the school year. So, consider yourself cordially invited to [Binghamton University's Festival of the Arts!](#)

Our Festival will be a vibrant student showcase featuring performances, creative work, screenings, and hands-on experiences — all from the School of the Arts!

It kicks off on **Wednesday, May 7, from 7:30–9:30 p.m.** in the **Grand Corridor and Memorial Courtyard of the Fine Arts Building**, as well as the **Binghamton University Art Museum**. Enjoy live music, performances, food and refreshments, cinema in a truck, DIY screen-printed t-shirts, motion graphics on the tower, an improv workshop, and more — both inside and outside the Arts Building. It's **the perfect way to relax after classes and before finals.**

The festivities continue on Friday, May 9, at 3 p.m., with performances, screenings, and exhibitions throughout the Arts Building — as well as Cinema's offerings in Lecture Hall 6!

For a detailed schedule and latest updates please visit our [website](#).

*Christopher Robbins
Founding Director, School of the Arts
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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

We have had a great response so far, so School of the Arts is **extending our deadline to June 1** to allow even more people an opportunity to submit.

1. Students, Faculty and Staff: We can fund your ideas for arts in the community!

If you have ideas for projects in the arts (Art & Design, Art History, Cinema, Creative Writing, Music, and Theatre) you would like to pursue at off-campus venues, please fill out this **short form by June 1**. Proposals can be at any stage of development, and venues can range from established spaces (theatres, art centers, galleries) to unconventional ones (parks, warehouses, storefronts).

2. Students: Get paid \$ to make art this summer!

Wanted: Graphic Design, Drawing, Painting, Printmaking, Photography.

Work with the Director of the School of the Arts this summer, either remotely or in person (up to you), to create art for posters and promotions for upcoming events in the 2025/2026 academic year.

New deadline June 1: submit your interest/ samples today!

NOTE: Graduating Seniors are not eligible, you need to be a returning student.



In Memoriam

Our beloved colleague [Tomonari "Tomo" Nishikawa](#), chair and professor of cinema, died Sunday, April 20.

Tomo was a brilliant filmmaker, an inspiring teacher, a great friend, and a deeply thoughtful presence in our community.

The Cinema Department invites students and colleagues to share memories of Nishikawa on a "gratitude wall" outside his office, CW B09.

Memorial Gathering for Tomonari Nishikawa will be held on May 4, at 3 p.m. in LH B89.

Cinema students are also organizing a screening / memorial / tribute / mourning under title "Tomonari, light of a thousand stars" on May 2, at 7:30 p.m. in LH 6, and are asking attendees to bring photos, anecdotes, writings, and memories of the late professor.

If you want to view some of Tomo's work, please go [here](#) and [here](#).

If you are in need of counseling services, please contact:

- Dean of Students
- Grief and loss emotional counseling.

EVENTS HIGHLIGHTS

May 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.

BU ART MUSEUM

***Ongoing Spring 2025 exhibition:
Monuments: Commemoration and
Controversy***

2/27 - 6/14 | T-S Noon-4 p.m. & TR
Noon-7p.m.

Main galleries | Free Admission



THEATRE

Encounters

5/2 | 8 p.m.

5/4 | 2 p.m.

Watters Theater | [Ticketed](#)

CINEMA

Memorial Gathering for Tomonari Nishikawa

5/4 | 3 p.m.

LH B89 | Free Admission



On Behalf of Family and Friends of Tomonari Nishikawa

The Cinema Department at Binghamton University
Invites You to Join Us in a Memorial Gathering
On Sunday May 4, 2025 in LH B-89.
From 3:00- 5:00 PM

Reception followed by
a Sharing of Remarks and Remembrances

For A Beloved Colleague, Professor, Filmmaker, Father, And Friend



MUSIC

University Wind Symphony Spring '25 Concert

5/4 | 3 p.m.

Osterhout Concert Theater | [Ticketed](#)

ART & DESIGN

Art & Design Senior BA Exhibition

5/5-5/9 | M-F 9-5 p.m.

Rosefsky Gallery (FA 259) | Free
Admission

- Reception
5/7 | 7:30 p.m.





[TAE Material + Visual Worlds](#)

Jerry Zee (Princeton University): Fault Zones: Sino-American Encounters with Geophysics

5/5 | 6 p.m.

LH 9 | Free Admission

SOAR

Festival of the Arts 2025

5/7 | 7:30 p.m.

5/9 | 3 p.m.

Fine Arts Building & LH6 | Free Admission



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