

ORIENTATION

SCHOOL OF THE MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

Orientation is your opportunity to learn about how the Museum School works, to meet your faculty mentor, and to register for courses. Advising will take place January 11-15. Advisors will also be on site during Orientation for follow up and questions. It is **very important** for new students to participate in all Orientation, Registration, and Advising events.

Note: This Orientation schedule is subject to change - event dates will remain the same - event times may change.

Tuesday, January 19

- 9 – 9:30am** **Check-In:** Receive Orientation materials. Complimentary continental breakfast served. *Weems Atrium*
- 9:30 – 10:15am** **Welcome Meeting:** Words of welcome from SMFA administration, faculty, and student leaders. *Anderson Auditorium*
- 10:30am – 12pm** **Student Information Sessions:** Meet with Student Orientation Leaders who will go over the ins-and-outs of being an SMFA student – from getting around the school to getting around town. *Anderson Auditorium*
- Parents & Friends Information Session:** An informal question and answer session with School administrators for parents, partners, and friends of incoming students. *Room B311, 3rd floor, B side*
- 12 – 1pm** **Lunch:** Parents & Friends invited! *Weems Atrium*
- 1 – 2pm** **Mentor Meetings:** Your assigned Faculty Mentor will act as a guide to you during your time at the SMFA. It will be helpful to your mentor to see some examples of your work, so plan to bring a small portfolio and be prepared to talk about what you hope to accomplish at the School. *Anderson Auditorium*
- 2 – 3:30pm** **Studio Program Information Session:** A general overview of the SMFA studio program, how it functions, and how you are expected to function within it – from registration to review boards. *Anderson Auditorium*
- 3:30 – 4:30pm** **Student Information Sessions continued.** *Anderson Auditorium*
- 4:30 – 7pm** **Social Activity:** Your Student Orientation Leaders have designed this event to personally welcome you into the community. Get to know one another and have fun! *Weems Atrium*

Wednesday, January 20

- 10 – 11am** **BFA Program Information Session:** Overview of the BFA program. *B311, 3rd Floor, B Side*
- Studio Diploma Program Information Session:** Overview of the Studio Diploma program. Exchange students and Visiting students should attend this session. *A204, 2nd Floor, A Side*
- 11am – 12pm** **Materials Safety Workshop:** Mandatory workshop that addresses the health risks presented by various art materials and teaches you how to use those materials safely and responsibly. *Anderson Auditorium*
- 12 - 1pm** **Bag Lunch:** *Weems Atrium*
- International Student Session:** Required for international students. Bring a bag lunch with you. *Conference Room, 2nd floor, B side*
- 1 – 3 pm** **Taking Care of Business Tour:** Visit the Registrar's Office in the Mission Hill Building to get your locker and ID. Visit the Library, MacLab, and Artist's Resource Center in the main building to learn about the resources available to you. *Depart from Weems Atrium*
- 3 – 4:30pm** **mySMFA Demo & Registration:** Learn how to navigate the online student registration system, mySMFA, and register for your courses. Account information will be distributed during this time. *Mac Lab, 2nd floor, B side*

Thursday, January 21

Classes Resume & Add/Drop Begins

Important Dates to Remember

February 4:

- ⊙ Last Day to add/drop studio courses
- ⊙ Last Day to change enrollment status with refund
- ⊙ Last Day to add academic & art history courses

February 25:

- ⊙ Last Day to drop academic & art history courses
- ⊙ Last Day to select Pass/Fail option