



About us

University of the Arts Singapore

The University of the Arts Singapore (UAS) is Singapore's first arts university, dedicated to nurturing a new generation of forward-looking artists, designers, educators, researchers, arts leaders and changemakers.

UAS is founded on an alliance of Singapore's leading arts institutions, LASALLE College of the Arts (LASALLE) and Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts (NAFA).

Situated in a vibrant cultural precinct, UAS integrates teaching, practice, and research to foster artistic innovation. By collaborating with educators and practitioners regionally and globally, UAS is shaping resilient, creative leaders prepared to influence the future and strengthen Singapore's position as a regional arts hub.

In August 2024, UAS welcomed its first cohort of undergraduate and postgraduate students from LASALLE and NAFA, with degrees conferred by UAS.

Join us in shaping a transformative future where the arts lead the way toward a more sustainable and creative world.

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Our vision and mission

UAS is a dynamic and influential university. We enrich lives, transform societies and shape the future through arts and design. Our mission is to inspire leaders and empower creative individuals through an innovative and socially impactful arts education. We strive to advance arts and design practice, research and discourse from Asia to the world.

Our values

Courage, imagination, diversity, collaboration and passion. These qualities are behind everything we do.

Our culture

At the University of the Arts Singapore, creativity is a mindset. We think, make and act to reimagine and shape a better world. Through a transformative arts education, we inspire and empower a new wave of artists and designers with global perspectives and brave imagination.



LASALLE College of the Arts

Asia's leading contemporary arts and design institution

LASALLE College of the Arts is the highest-ranked specialist arts institution in Southeast Asia for Performing Arts, and joint top for Art & Design (QS World University Rankings by Subject 2025).

The College offers 36 Diploma, BA (Hons) and postgraduate programmes across the full spectrum of arts and design disciplines. A nurturing, interdisciplinary learning environment inspires the next generation of forward-looking and globally engaged creative leaders, who are mentored by a faculty of award-winning artists, designers, educators and researchers. LASALLE's tradition of practice-led research sets the College apart as an international centre of excellence.

Founded in 1984 by the late De La Salle Brother Joseph McNally—a visionary artist and educator—LASALLE has written, developed and delivered all its own academic programmes since 2004, and continues to do so as a founding member of the University of the Arts Singapore alliance. LASALLE is a non-profit private educational institution. The College receives tuition grant support from Singapore's Ministry of Education.

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Lydia Koh, *Her Marriage*, VR installation, 2025
Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts

Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts

Established in 1938, the Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts (NAFA), a founding member of the University of the Arts Singapore (UAS), is Singapore's pioneer and largest arts institution. Renowned for its unique identity and strength in Southeast Asian arts, NAFA's Institute of Southeast Asian Arts (ISEAA) is a global leader in Southeast Asian art practice and research. NAFA has nurtured the largest number of alumni and conferred the nation's highest accolades, with 14 Cultural Medallions and 15 Young Artist Award recipients.

As the only arts institution offering a comprehensive range of educational pathways from early childhood to adulthood, NAFA inspires learning and growth through diverse programs. These include tertiary education, lifelong learning courses at the Centre for Lifelong Education, junior art classes in the School of Young Talents, and arts-enriched preschool education.

With a rich heritage dedicated to arts education, NAFA strives to live up to its mission of inspiring learning and growth through the arts.

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