



Friends of MSA Fine Arts –

Welcome! I have been truly amazed how the power of art, music, and drama play a significant role in many lives at MSA. My staff and I certainly witness this power every day in our Fine Arts students, even through the unpredictability of the last few years. When so much of their worlds were out of their control, their ART was a strong connection. This was definitely the case for me as an artist as well.

This past year, we were able to have Fine Arts events again! Our Band played for parent and student audiences. Our Lower School and Middle School music/theater classes performed in the awesome amphitheater for a giant crowd of so many people excited to gather and be entertained! To end our last school year, we enjoyed SpongeBob the Musical for MANY audiences in the amphitheater. The weather really shined for us.

Thank you for all of you who were members of our MSA Arts Alliance last year. The support from parents is what keeps our programs so strong and connected to one another! Please consider joining this year at www.millsprings.org/artsalliance.

As we look to the start of the new school year, we continue to celebrate our program and its exciting changes! We said farewell to our beloved Theater Director, Patrick Rose, in May. I am so excited to welcome Layne MacPherson, our new Theater Director. Layne has experience as an actor and as an acting professional teaching workshops to students across the country. He is from Gainesville and is happy to be back in Georgia! He brings a true love of theatre, professionalism, patience, organization and a huge smile to our Fine Arts team.

Parents and students (6th-12th grade), please join us in the MSA Theater on Wednesday, August 24th at 7:00 to hear about all of the Performing Arts opportunities for the 2022-2023 school year!

As always, please email me with any questions or awesome ideas YOU have! Check out www.millsprings.org and www.MSAarts.org to SEE what we do.

Artfully Yours,

Janet Ford, MSA Fine Arts Director and Visual Arts Teacher

And the rest of MSA Fine Arts...

* Kate McElliott, Music/Musical Theater Director *

*Layne MacPherson, Theater Director *Tia Roper, Band Director*

Brenda Smith, Visual Arts Teacher