

BURST ONTO THE SCENE

THE FINE ARTS









VILLA MARIA ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

EMPOWERING YOUNG WOMEN SINCE 1872

COURSE **OFFERINGS** ART

Intro to Art Studio Art 1 & 2 Collage: Mixed Media Watercolor Painting **Digital Photography Interior Design** Ceramics 1 & 2 **Ceramics Independent Study** Graphic Design Digital Art & Illustration Honors Art Major Honors Advanced Art Major **AP Studio Art AP Studio Art Drawing** AP Studio Art 2-D **AP Art History**

DANCE

Dance Appreciation Dance for Conditioning **Dance Workshop Dance Company**

MUSIC

Music Instruction (private lessons) Music Theory Honors Advanced Topics in Music Theory **Percussion Ensemble AP Music Theory Music Composition** Music Technology Ear Training **Music Appreciation Honors Piano Instruction**

THEATER Theatrical Production and Design



ART CREATE YOUR MASTERPIECE

Art is an integral part of life at Villa, and a full 0.75 credit in the Fine Arts is a graduation requirement. Students learn techniques in drawing, painting, graphic design, watercolor, and 3-dimensional work.

Find your medium through courses in Graphic Design, Ceramics, Studio Art, and more! Students hone skills with the depth and breadth of visual art offerings, including electives at the AP and honors level. Artists display their work in the Spring Fine Arts Festival, a celebration of their work throughout the academic year. Many students receive scholarships for pre-college programs and have taken part in summer institutes around the country. Graduates have majored in creative fields at a variety of colleges and universities, including RISD, Parsons, Pratt, SCAD, the University of the Arts, Drexel University, the Pennsylvania State University, York College, and MICA.

DANCE MOVE THE AUDIENCE

Villa Maria's growing dance program includes a variety of courses and opportunities for both experienced and novice dancers.

Students may take dance classes for credit towards Physical Education or Fine Arts requirements or as electives. Dance Appreciation offers an introduction to basic concepts in ballet, jazz, and modern dance. Dance for Conditioning focuses on enhancing athletic performance. Dance Workshop members are selected by audition with opportunities to participate in conventions and perform at VMA. Dance Company is an audition-based ensemble which performs regionally and nationally in dance festivals, conventions, as well as in-house at Villa Maria High School events.



Dancer en pointe



Dance Showcase



Dance Showcase

MUSIC FIND YOUR VOICE

Music offers something for every student, from beginners to experienced musicians.

Villa Maria invites students to pursue their passion for music! Take to the stage as part of the orchestra and string ensemble, or join novice and advanced performers in the handbell choir or chorus. Classes in composition, theory, technology, percussion instruments, and appreciation also complement your musical journey. With the potential for several opportunities to perform throughout the year, students frequently showcase their talents. Dedicated students may audition to be selected for the All-Catholic ensembles sponsored by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, as well as for Pennsylvania Music Educators Association district, regional and state ensembles.

Music Ensemble Opportunities

Orchestra Chorus **Madrigal Singers** String Ensemble Handbell Choir

THEATER BE IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Theater offers a variety of opportunities to work on and off campus, including both a scheduled class and extra-curricular activities.

The Theatrical Production and Design Course allows the young artists of Villa Maria to bring to life a full-scale theatrical production every fall semester. Students select a work and delve into all areas of production, serving as actors, stage managers, assistant directors, technicians, and costume or set designers. The play is performed at the end of the semester.

The spring musical is Villa Maria's feature extra-curricular performance experience. Recent shows include Mary Poppins and Into the Woods. Collaboration with the Malvern Prep Theater Society and Devon Prep Theater on their respective productions and with Villa Maria's own Marian Masques provide additional performance and partnership opportunities.

Theater Opportunities

Marian Masques Drama Club Light and Sound Crew Malvern Prep Theater Society Partner **Devon Prep Theater Partner**











Around the World in Eighty Days



Into the Woods

DISCOVER YOUR UNSTOPPABLE PASSION

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EXPRESS YOURSELF

28 fine arts courses13 different

struments studied **20+** potential

performances





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Villa Maria junior art student, Josie Michel, exhibited her works at the annual juried art show in Historic Yellow Springs in Chester Springs in May, 2023.



Scan with your phone to learn about all our fine arts offerings!