

# **TAPA 9th Grade + Art Major Auditions**

Dear TAPA Community,

## **Coming This Winter : Art Major Auditions for the class of 2024!**

Art Major Auditions are a long standing TAPA tradition that we take very seriously as it is the beginning of each student's journey in their declared Art Major. For most of our students this is their first TAPA performance and for many this is their first performance ever.

For the class of 2024, the road to their art auditions has been different than any other class's. Their original auditions scheduled at the end of their 8th grade year were postponed due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the move to distance learning. This was an incredibly difficult decision to make, but necessary in order to ensure an equitable opportunity for all students to succeed to their fullest potential. Now, they are finally in their pre major art courses preparing in virtual art rooms for the entirety of quarter 2 for TAPA's first ever virtual Art Major Auditions.

We know that under normal circumstances auditions are stressful, never mind with the new challenges we find ourselves in this school year. However, students are rising to the challenge and embracing this new normal. For that we could not be prouder. This event has always been a time when the community gathers to show our support for our students as they put themselves and their art out for all to see on "stage". This year when we can't physically gather to show our support our virtual presence is all the more meaningful.

Please join us to support and celebrate the class of 2024 (and select students from the classes of 2023 & 2022) for their long awaited Art Major Auditions to officially be accepted into the art major of their choice.

See full event details on the next page.

Sincerely,

Ms. Rachel Nadeau  
Director of Performing Art Education

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## **Virtual Art Major Audition details**

### **Where are Auditions?**

- Zoom! This year Auditions are virtual and will be held on Zoom for the safety of our community. (Zoom is a video conferencing app.)

### **When are Auditions?**

- February 2nd - 5th. From 1pm - 3:30pm
- Call Time for auditioning students to join the Zoom call @ 1:00pm
- House Open for Audience to join the Zoom call @ 1:15pm
- Auditions Begin promptly @ 1:30pm
  - **Music Majors on Tuesday, February 2nd**
  - **Theatre Majors on Wednesday, February 3rd**
  - **Dance Majors on Thursday, February 4th**
  - **Film Majors on Friday, February 5th**

### **How do I get the Zoom link to watch?**

- The link to join the Zoom event will be sent out to the TAPA community by email prior to auditions.
- The link will also be posted on the TAPA website.

### **What do I need to know as an auditioning student?**

- All students will be given an auditioner FAQ sheet in their art class
  - Auditions are required. Failure to submit an audition piece AND attend the Zoom audition will result in failing the audition, losing eligibility for re audition, failure to graduate to the next grade - 8th or otherwise.
  - Students auditioning are required to have their cameras on for the live judging section.
  - Students are required to have their cameras on and properly film their pre recorded performances so they are clearly visible per their art teacher's criteria.