

# CAREER ROADMAP:

## Performing Arts

### Description of Field:

Performing arts includes dance, music, opera, theatre, spoken work and musical theatre. Related areas include songwriting and theatrical arts supporting performing artists. Fine arts include craft artists, multimedia artists and art directors. These can lead to an array of careers, from becoming a creative or visual artist, directing others about design, illustration, color theory, studio management, or portfolio management.

### General Skills:

Fine and performing art skills may vary widely based on industry niches and organizational needs. Sample skills can include: creativity, self-discipline, patience, perseverance, coordination and confidence.

### Insider Advice:

Utilize your network to gain experience and learn about new opportunities to volunteer, intern or participate in a variety of projects. Many employers do not recruit positions in the fine or performing arts so actively seeking out positions is critical. Working full-time in the performing arts takes dedication, and many individuals peruse multiple paths to support their passion for the arts.

### Learn about Yourself & Career Options

#### What Can I Do With This Major:

[Art](#), [Dance](#), [Theater](#)

#### Sample UF Majors:

[Art](#), [Dance](#), [Music](#), [Theatre](#), [Theatre Performance](#), [Visual Art Studies](#)

#### Career Planning:

Our [Career Planning](#) staff can help you explore interesting major/career options, prepare for and start an internship/job search. Log in to view the ways we can help!

### Build Experience

#### UF Organizations:

[Danza](#), [H.O.T. Clay](#), [National Art Education Association Student Chapter](#)

Visit [Student Activities & Involvement](#) for Additional Opportunities

#### Professional Organizations:

[American Dance Guild](#), [National Dance Education Organization](#), [American Association of Community Theatre](#), [American Federation of Television and Radio Artists](#), [Book Writers and Illustrators](#), [The Society of Illustrators](#)

#### Sample Local Opportunities:

[Gainesville Volunteer](#), [Arts at UF](#), [Gainesville Ballet](#), [Gainesville Playhouse](#), [Shands Art in Medicine](#), [The Hippodrome](#)

### Prepare for Your Next Step

#### Sample Job Titles:

[Advertising Sales Manager](#), [Art Director](#), [Production Animator](#), [Project Manager](#), [Creative Services Director](#), [Design Student Intern](#), [Senior Interior Designer/Project Manager](#), [Graphic Designer](#), [Senior Designer](#)

#### Search for Internships & Jobs:

[Gator CareerLink Jobs](#), [Art & Design Jobs within the Federal Government](#), [Art Job](#), [Backstage Jobs](#), [Coroflot](#), [NYFA Jobs in the Arts](#), [Playbill Jobs](#), [UF Performing Arts Work in the Arts](#)

#### Sample Employers Recruiting at UF:

[Adrienne Arsh Center](#), [Camp Lindenmere](#), [Mary Jo's Performing Arts Academy](#), [John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts](#), [Wolf Trap Foundation for Performing Arts](#)

Log into [Gator CareerLink](#) to search for employers hiring UF students and additional resources