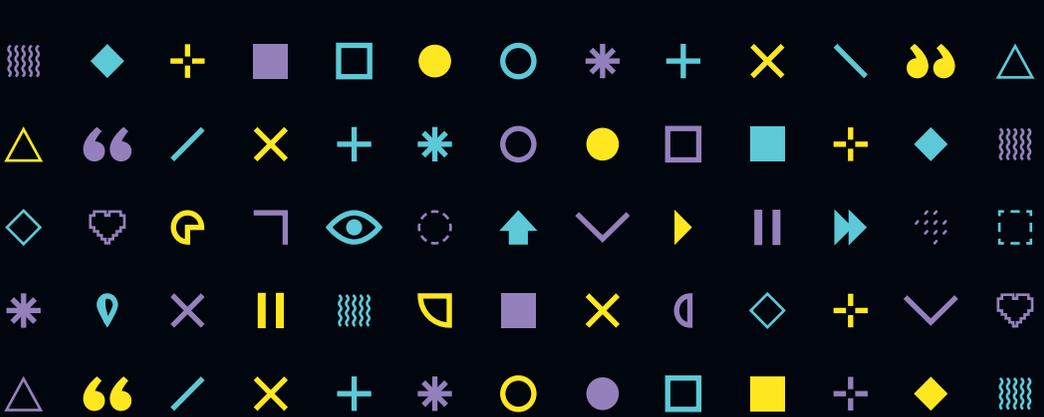
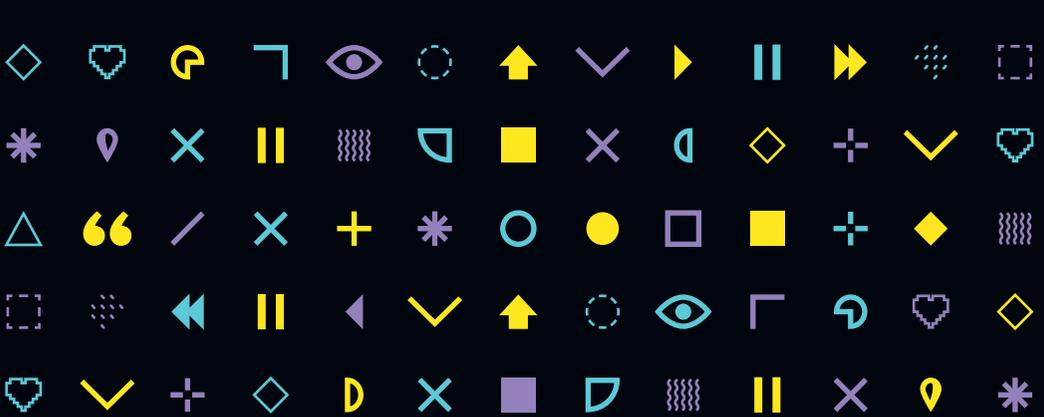


DISCOVER



RINGLING COLLEGE OF ART + DESIGN



WELCOME

What made us choose Ringling College of Art and Design? Part of it was this book you're holding in your hands right now. We did the research online, we checked out the campus and its surroundings, we gawked at the work done by students and alumni, and then this book arrived, and we were convinced that Ringling College was where we needed to be.

It wasn't that simple, of course. (Sarasota's warm weather and its proximity to Disney World helped, too.) But it knocked us out that the school has so much confidence that its students could cut it in the real world that they trust them to produce this book. When we got to campus four years ago, we knew we wanted to one day work on this project. And here we are, doing just that.

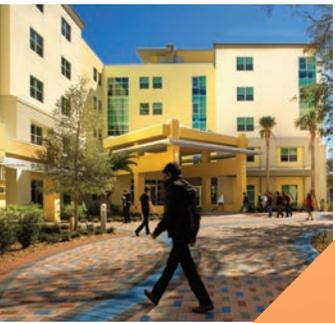
What's campus like? What's Sarasota like? What are the students like? This book covers all of that. But we'd also like to offer some advice: calm down, focus on your work, and stop worrying about what other people think. We've grown a ton since we came to Ringling College. You will, too.



TYLER BROWN

DEANDRA MARTIS

PROUD CRAFTERS OF THIS BOOK



YOU BELONG HERE!

Simply put, Ringling College of Art and Design is a special place. Here, you don't just receive a world-class education.

From day one at Ringling, you're immersed in a world designed to feed your creativity and help you live your dreams. That means extensive classroom time with internationally renowned, award-winning faculty, top-of-the-line studio space equipped with cutting-edge tools, 24-hour access to a treasure trove of research materials and support services. That means in-depth, one-on-one career counseling, personal connections to industry leaders, and access to globally-recognized creators.

You'll work hard. You'll also have a great time. Ringling students, teachers, and staff are intensely committed, passionate about their craft and their careers, but they've also built a warm, caring, and inspiring community.

Ringling is a place where you can hone your skills with the most advanced art and design technology around. It's also a place where you'll meet your best friends. It's a place where you can study with industry pros who teach because they love to do it. It's also a place where it's easy to find a pickup basketball game, a video game meet-up, or a club devoted to an issue you care about. It's a place to fit in, a place to stand out, a place to find your people, a place to find yourself, a place to grow, a place to belong.

A special place. Come see for yourself.

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WAY MORE THAN JUST A BEACH TOWN.

ENVIRONMENT



SARASOTA, FL

Everyone knows Sarasota has gorgeous beaches. One of them, Siesta Key, was even ranked as the most beautiful beach in America. Visitors from across the globe flock here to bask in the sun and swim in the warm surf, and Ringling College students do the same. They're experts at taking advantage of the city's 35 miles of sparkling white sands. They tan all day, they play beach volleyball, and they go standup paddleboarding. But Sarasota's natural beauty extends well beyond its beaches.

Myakka River State Park offers a blast of wild Florida, with alligator sightings, airboat tours, canoeing, and miles and miles of swamps and flatwood hiking trails. And be sure to kayak the mangrove tunnels, quiet waterways that snake through dense tangles of trees that grow in and around our bay.

Practice your grinds at the city skatepark, cruise up and down the 10-mile Legacy Bike Trail, or catch a ballgame. The list of ways to enjoy Sarasota's beauty is almost limitless. And it doesn't hurt that our outstanding climate means you can enjoy the fresh air and gorgeous light almost every day of the year.

CULTURE: LIVE IT AND BREATHE IT.



FLORIDA'S
CULTURAL COAST



Almost since its founding, Sarasota has been a cultural mecca, a place that has drawn the creative and free-spirited, the inspired and the wild. Things are no different today.

While the city has a reputation as a charming, quiet beach town, young people know better. Browse incredible art at the Ringling Museum. Catch an experimental play by one of the city's many theater companies. Meet some of the finest actors and directors working today at the annual Sarasota Film Festival. Then let loose. Sarasota is home to a bevy of national award winning restaurants and buzzing farmers markets with exceptional treats, plus serious-about-their-beans coffee shops, hopping live music venues, and a thriving community of young people who know how to have a good time.

The city is also a diverse place, home to active communities of immigrants from across Latin America, Asia, and Europe. When you hit town, you'll hear foreign languages galore. Start your day with breakfast tacos and Ethiopian coffee, catch a foreign film at the local cinema, then spend the night dancing to live music. Sarasota's got it all.

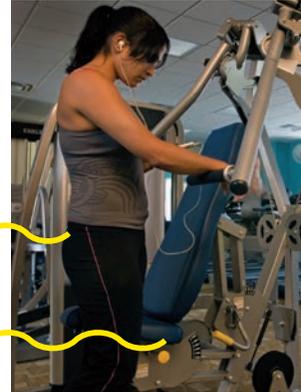
With several theater companies, a professional ballet, symphony and opera, multiple annual film festivals, plus the world-renowned Ringling Museum of Art, Sarasota is one of the country's top small cities for art and culture.

Ringling College students come from all over the world and speak dozens of languages. Worried about fitting in? Don't. The College has dozens of unique clubs that make it easy to find your niche.

CONNECT GLOBALLY

Live, create, interact, and learn in a community with people who come from more than 57 countries and 46 states. At Ringling College we promote international dialogue, respect, inclusion, and community. You'll feel at home here because you'll connect with people who are just like you, and many who are not all that different.

NURTURING THE WHOLE STUDENT.



Let's face it: College can be stressful. There are deadlines to meet, professors to please, and parties to attend. The pace can wear you down and wear you out, which is where Ringling College's health and wellness programs come in.

In 2006, Ringling opened its on-campus Susan Palmer Fitness Center, a high-tech and versatile space where students can work out almost any time, day or night. But students don't have to stay on campus to stay fit: The College organizes kayaking, hiking, and scuba diving trips, often at the request of students looking for fresh ways to stay active. You can even check out a bike to cruise around town for free.

Even if you eat healthy and stay fit, odds are you're bound to get sick at some point. Which is where the College's Student Health Center comes into play. The Center provides relief for countless common ailments, routine checkups, and mental health support.

Ringling's intimate campus encourages social engagement and good times. Step inside any of our super-modern buildings, and you're likely to stumble into a club meeting. Interested in student government? Soccer? Video games? Harry Potter? Believe it or not, there's a club for all that, and much more.



WORK HERE, PLAY HERE.



LIVING

Ringling College students are a breed apart, so we've designed our common areas and living spaces with our students' specific needs in mind. Our state-of-the-art residence facilities include huge common areas for lounging and recreation, plus project rooms on each floor that are big enough to allow students to work on large-scale artwork right where they live. Those common areas lead to conversation, inspiration, and collaboration on a daily basis. We make your life easy in other ways, too. Every student can ride the Sarasota County Area Transit bus system for free during all four years at Ringling College, making it a breeze to get around the city even if you don't have a car. And every year the College books free transportation to some of the biggest attractions and events in the state: Miami's Art Basel; Universal Studios, home to the Wizarding World of Harry Potter; and, of course, Walt Disney World in Orlando.



We designed our student housing to cater to creatives—offering open spaces for collaboration, large project workrooms, and easy access to technology.

DESIGNED FOR YOUR SUCCESS.

It's small enough to walk across in a matter of minutes, but it's so much more than what you'll find at other art colleges. Our campus is a traditional, residential college environment specially designed by and for creative people. Everything you need is right here, including specialized studios and labs, residences, a fitness center, numerous galleries, a brand new library, and plenty of spaces where you and your friends can relax and inspire one another.

CAMPUS

Ringling's campus sits on 49 acres of tropical paradise, and students can walk, bike, or skateboard to class in a matter of minutes.



With over 110 buildings, beautiful green spaces, cafés, galleries, a fitness center, and more, the Ringling campus has everything you need to thrive.





CAMPUS



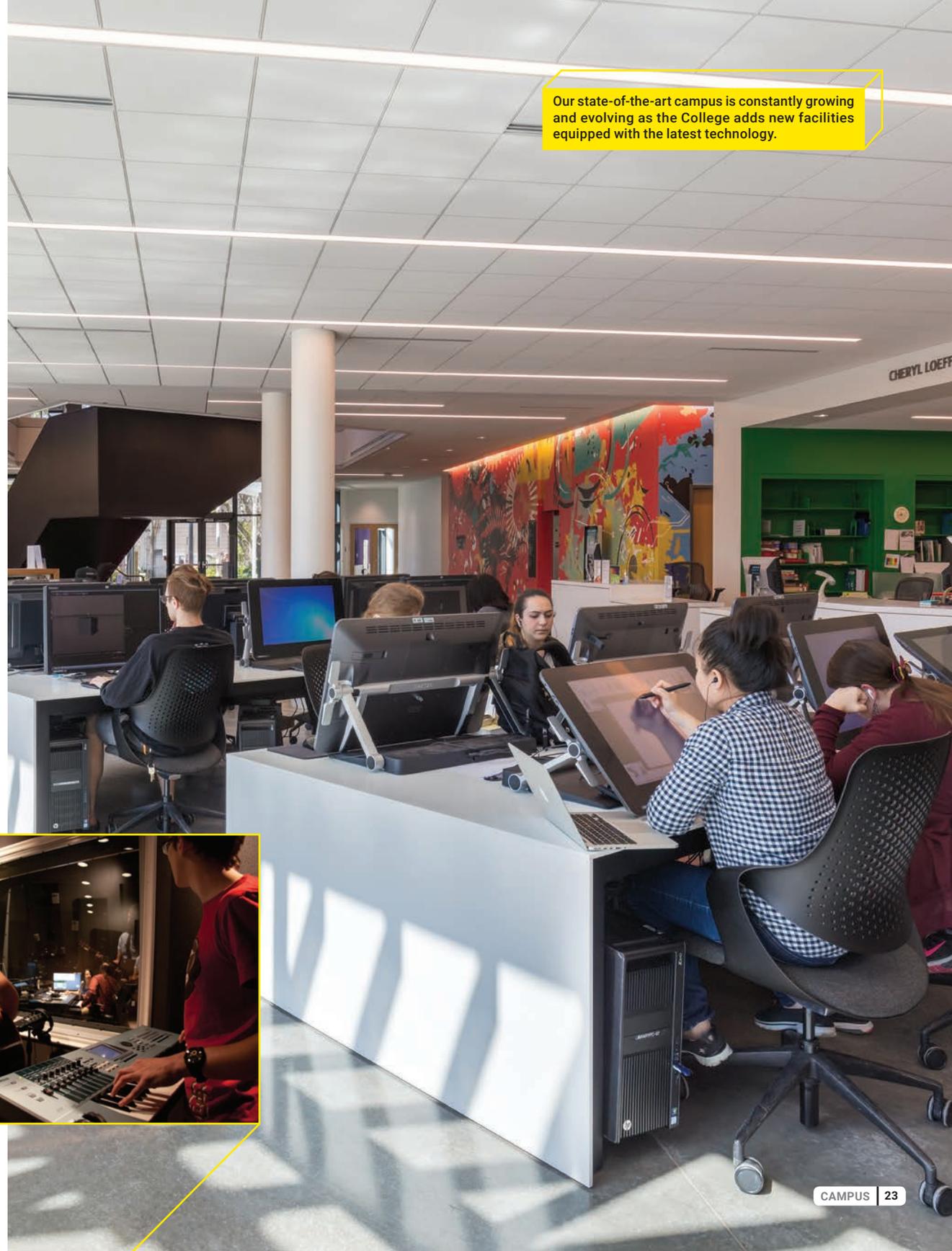
ON THE CUTTING EDGE.

Ringling College isn't just ahead of the curve when it comes to technology. We're ahead of the next curve. We're a worldwide leader in integrating state-of-the-art, high-tech resources into art and design education. It starts as soon as you set foot on campus, when you access our lightning-fast Wi-Fi network that covers every square inch of the College, from your residence hall to that quiet spot back by the bayou.

We also offer the largest selection of 27- and 24-inch Cintiq pen and touchscreen displays of any art and design college, available to all students any time, along with HP DreamColor Displays and high-end HD projectors in every classroom, 4K projectors like the kind used in professional studios, and an ultra-high-performance render farm for visual effects and computer-generated images. Plus, you'll get your own brand-new notebook when you arrive that you can load up with killer software for free by visiting the College's in-house app store. Whatever you need to make your art come alive, we've got it.

TECHNOLOGY

Our state-of-the-art campus is constantly growing and evolving as the College adds new facilities equipped with the latest technology.





BUSINESS OF ART & DESIGN

Creative projects call for creative leadership. The percentage of creativity-oriented jobs in the United States has tripled in the last few years, and a staggering 97 percent of employers say creativity has become vitally important to their hiring decisions.

Ringling College's Business of Art & Design department provides a unique experience for students interested in both creativity and entrepreneurship. We offer an interdisciplinary, experience-based curriculum designed to train future executives, and our students follow a self-directed path that lets them pursue their own passions and interests. Our graduates work as marketing and advertising executives, costume designers, production designers, business developers, account coordinators, event planners, and much more. You'll find them anywhere creativity and business intersect.



Simply put, Business of Art and Design is the best undergraduate major in America, as it demands that students master the art/skill of managing creative projects to fruition, and uniquely prepares them for the new, disruptive workplace of the 21st century.
—David Houle, Speaker of the Year, & considered the CEOs' Futurist



COMPUTER ANIMATION

Ringling College Computer Animation students design, paint, model, texture, animate, light, composite, and edit original films. And since all of those skills must be directed toward telling a great story, our students also learn how to create and refine their own ideas.

Animation doesn't mean moving objects. It means moving an audience. That's why the Computer Animation department focuses on teaching its students how to craft a complete work of art—combining technical skills with a well-thought-out aesthetic vision and the ability to tell a compelling story. That mix of talents is why animation studios from all over the world look to Ringling College for the best and the brightest, and why so many of our graduates go on to become tomorrow's creative leaders.



From concept to story, to a finished animation film, it's a lot. But there's nothing quite as satisfying as seeing your character come alive.



[Camilo Castro & Ricardo San Emeterio » Grandma's Pie]



[Victoria Lopez & Ji-young Na » Attack of the Potato Clock]



[Jiaqi Yan » Mind Games]

[Nicole Cespedes, Jessica Castillo, & Micah Breitweiser » Lizard Quest]



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www.ringling.edu/ComputerAnimation

CREATIVE WRITING

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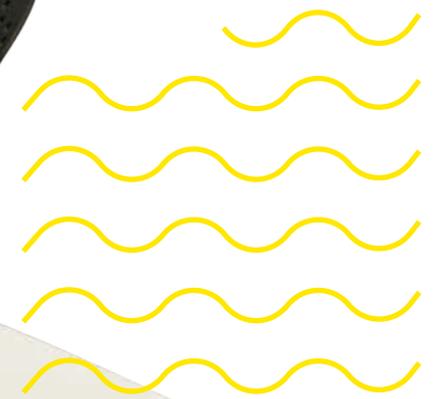
At Ringling College, we are all about storytelling. We believe that well-told stories speak truths and communicate ideas in a way nothing else can. Our Creative Writing program was designed to teach students the principles of the craft and prepare aspiring writers for a variety of career paths.

Whether our students write screenplays, video game scripts, novels, graphic novels, or nonfiction, they are all part of a community of passionate writers learning their craft from practicing writers and teachers. They also get to interact with visiting authors, scholars, and publishing professionals. Graduates leave with the technical skill and fluency with creative practices to succeed with print-based forms, as well as possibilities offered by emerging technologies and media.

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Combine genres like sci-fi, fantasy, poetry, young adult, video game scripting, graphic novels, film, television, and more to create your dream career.



ENTERTAINMENT DESIGN

Professional entertainment designers bring stories and themes to life, crafting immersive experiences at theme parks, resorts, restaurants, trade shows, and concerts, and designing sets for films, TV shows, and theatrical performances.

Ringling College's newest major, Entertainment Design, offers a unique interdisciplinary approach that will teach students technical skills like drawing, drafting, 3D modeling, and 3D prototyping, plus provides unparalleled opportunities to engage directly with industry leaders. Ringling's close proximity to Orlando, the entertainment design industry's hub, its high-tech infrastructure, and its unrivaled expertise in art and design will position students to jump right into an industry that's growing around the globe.

(Anticipated Fall 2019)

The U.S. is home to more than 400 amusement parks and attractions that bring in more than 375 million visitors every year and account for 2.3 million American jobs.

(Pending NASAD Accreditation)



FILM

In filmmaking, story always comes first. Ringling College Film students not only master the key elements of creating a great film, but they graduate as expert storytellers able to capture the attention of an audience.

We teach every aspect of the process, including screenwriting, cinematography, directing, and editing. Film students can choose to focus on Narrative Film—which allows story to lead the process and dictate the visual evolution of a film—or Branded Entertainment, which communicates a brand’s message through film. Our students then apply their technical skills to a number of collaborative projects with fellow students, regional clients, and even national and international players in the film industry. Students benefit from countless opportunities to engage in real-world projects, such as interning on the set of a feature film or working in the editing room of a major television series. As a result, many of our graduates land work at major production companies and on some of the most interesting creative projects being produced in the industry.

Ringling College built a new 30,000-square-foot soundstage and post production complex that gives film students the chance to work side-by-side with Hollywood pros.





[Singularity]



[Badtimes]



[Containment]

[The Cast]



[Social Etiquette for Young Persons]



[Lois]



FINE ARTS

The Fine Arts program at Ringling College attracts free-thinkers and second-guessers, pioneers who explore new artistic terrain and reshape traditional techniques for our technologically advanced era.

Along the way, our students master foundational skills in painting, sculpture, printmaking, and time-based art, lifelong talents that serve them in whatever field in which they work. We help them develop those techniques off-campus, through collaborations that take our students around the world, and on-campus, in the new 38,660-square-foot Richard and Barbara Basch Visual Arts Center. Our faculty push students to develop their own personal style and artistic voice, and they graduate prepared for success in an exciting and diverse range of creative enterprises.

You're constantly breaking new ground here, your vision is always supported; your voice, always heard.





[Jordan Daher » Organic Peace Silk]

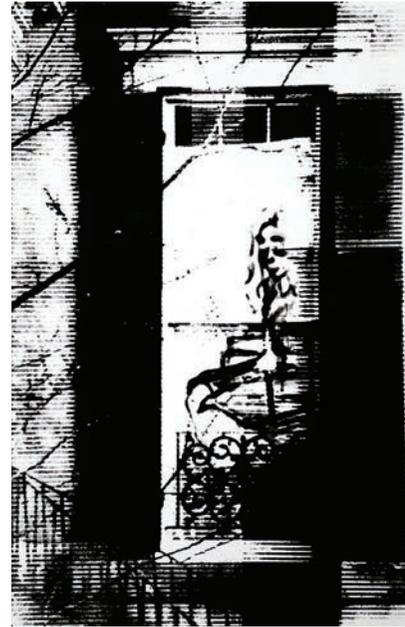
[Hayley Denham » Oil on Fabric]



[Daniel Jeffers » Acrylic on Birch Panel]



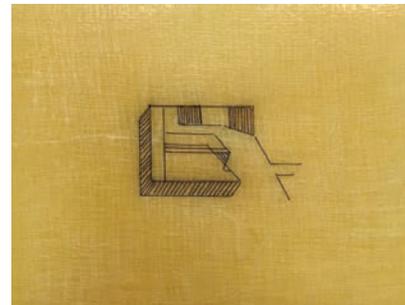
[Jordan Holm » Plywood, Party Snaps, Chalk]



[Rowan Johnson » Screen Printing]



[Jessica Glas » Installation]



[Emily Rives » Embroidery on Latex]

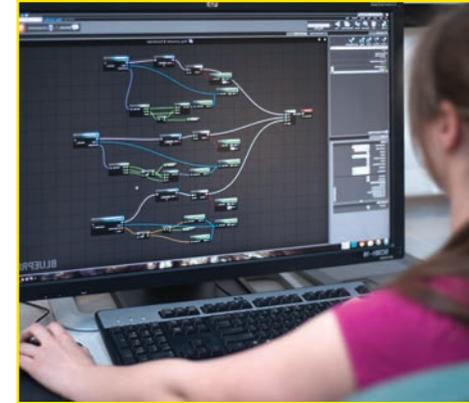
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GAME ART

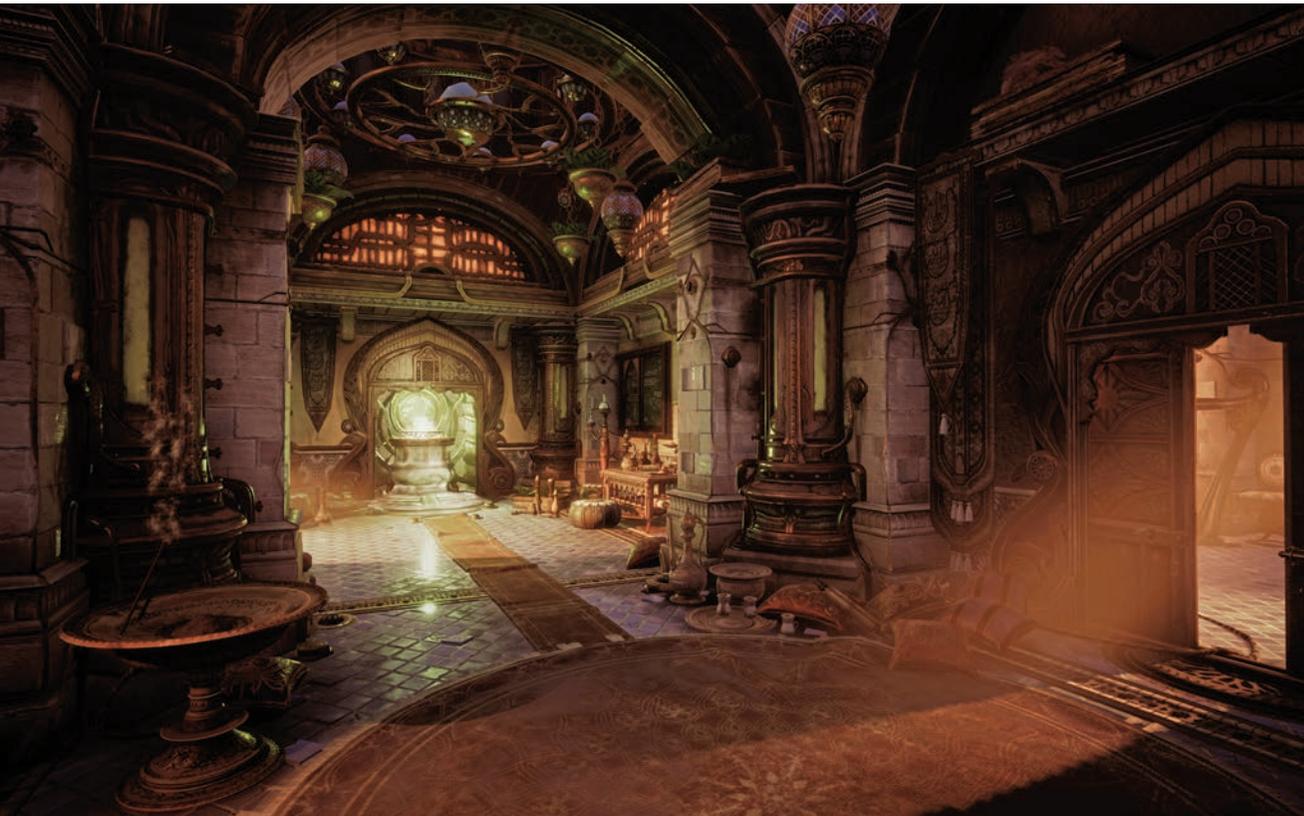


No form of entertainment offers as interactive and immersive an experience as gaming, and Ringling College Game Art graduates are at the forefront of pushing the art to new heights. We focus on providing students with the professional skills they need to create compelling and believable interactive experiences, and as a result, our talent is highly sought after by prominent studios.

Game Art students begin by learning the basics of game design mechanics, meaningful play, interactivity, and storytelling, then mix that knowledge with an in-depth understanding of three-dimensional animation software and game engines. By the time they graduate, our students are creating stunning environments that educate, inform, and entertain.



A Ringling Game Art student won 1st Place at the E3 (Electronic Entertainment Expo) College Game Competition with his playable game, *Phonetica*. His work beat out submissions from over 400 colleges and universities.



[Jared Lewin >> As the Sun Sets]



[Zihan Wang >> Ghoul]



[Steven Hong >> Protégé]

[Maxwell Frorer >> Protégé]



VIEW MORE:
www.ringling.edu/GameArt

GRAPHIC DESIGN

Designers can specialize in branding, packaging, interactive design, and more. Join a tech company, small agency, or start your own design firm. With a degree from Ringling College, you can design your own career.

Graphic designers solve problems. Using a broad collection of skills, they create design solutions in print, video, and interactive media—from an app interface so seamless you hardly notice it, to a poster so powerful you can't ignore it, to the very book you're holding right now.

Our students gain a deep understanding of the design thinking process and apply it to a broad spectrum of two-dimensional, three-dimensional, and screen media. They learn strategies for creating concepts, arranging compositions, and designing interfaces that entice, provoke, inform, and delight. And they collaborate with many other disciplines, including photographers, copywriters, illustrators, printers, and developers, to make their ideas come to life.





[Silpa Joe >> President's Holiday Card]



[Michael Corey >> Utopia - Q4]



[Silpa Joe >> Trustee Scholar]



Right: [Leslie Carol >> Structure Book]



[Carlos Oliveras Colom >> Pelvo]



[Tyler Brown >> Insight Stickers]



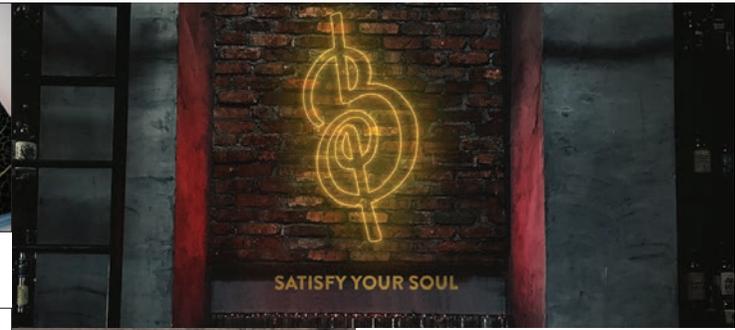
[Carlos Oliveras Colom >> Tuercas]



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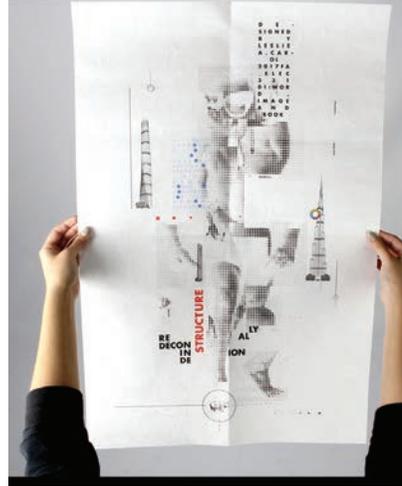
[Olivia Strohm >> TimeLife: Forest]



[Deandra Martis & Silpa Joe >> Bronzy's]



[Alexa Masiello >> The Watre Project]



VIEW MORE:
www.ringling.edu/GraphicDesign

ILLUSTRATION

Illustration builds on a solid foundation of artistic skills and tradition that stretches back tens of thousands of years. Using both traditional and digital media, along with core principles of art such as color, composition, and style, Ringling College Illustration students bring their artistic creations to life.

Working in both two and three dimensions, Illustration students are introduced to and familiarized with professional industry techniques through exercises, demonstrations, guest speakers, critiques, collaborative projects, internships, recruiter workshops, and interactions with real clients. By the time they graduate, they are prepared to take on countless jobs and share a comprehensive, cohesive portfolio that showcases their distinct visual voice.

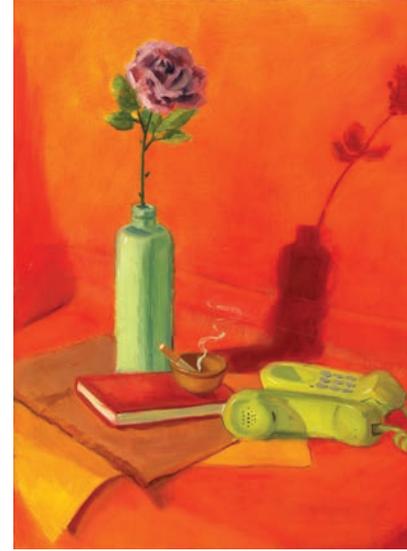
The Society of Illustrators has accepted more work into its Annual Student Competition from Ringling College than from any other college.



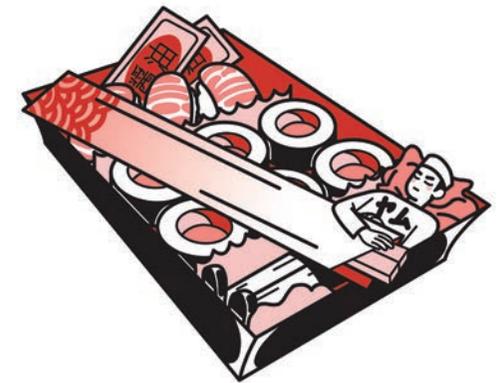


[Deshi Dengi » Digital]

[Matti Wenger » Oil]



[Dion MBD » Best Bao in Shanghai]



[Nero Hamaoui » Digital]

[Robin Thompson » Digital]



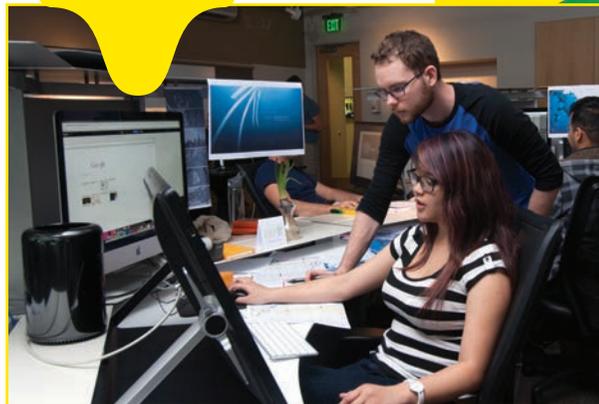
Left: [Simone Mariano » Digital]

MOTION DESIGN

You see motion design every day. It's the mysterious title sequence that sets the mood for the latest sci-fi movie. It's the beautiful animated graphics that introduce the Olympic games. It's the cool interface on that website you use to make your own snowboard designs. Anywhere there's a screen, you're probably seeing creative work called motion design.

Ringling College Motion Design students learn design, animation, concept design, storyboard art, videography, composition, sound design, and art direction, plus how to work collaboratively with other creative people from different fields. And we get them ready to work. Throughout their time on campus, they are tackling actual projects from actual clients. Motion design is everywhere. So are our graduates.

Learn to design for all types of screens—from the most compact smartphone to an entire building.





[Jamie Flores >> Semi Permanent]



[Dani Cash >> Style Frame - Portrait]



[Meghana Sarvepalli & Jessica Ramirez >> Beats]



[Sam Walton >> Mummy]



[Doug Alberts >> Pale Blue Dot]



[David Reyes >> PINC Opener]



[Kiyoon Nam >> Chanel]



[Darius Safani >> Hilton]

PHOTOGRAPHY & IMAGING

Everyone's a photographer, snapping pictures of dinner to upload to their Instagram feed and sharing stories of friends and family all day on Snapchat. But even as amateurs crash the gates of the photo world, professional photographers have only become more valuable. They tell stories and capture moments that might otherwise go unseen, bolstering hundreds of industries, including science, medicine, technology, music, entertainment, education, news, sports, fashion, and media.

The Photography & Imaging major at Ringling College offers students an effective blend of both technical and conceptual skills. We teach the photographic tradition, as well as contemporary imaging techniques, and ask students to apply that knowledge to their personal work. We also expect them to be aware of the major critical issues facing the medium today. Our graduates leave prepared to be young professionals, ready to help define an exciting new era of photography.



With access to state-of-the-art computer workstations, darkrooms, studio spaces, digital printers, high quality cameras, lighting equipment, and more—our students have the ability to create whatever they envision.

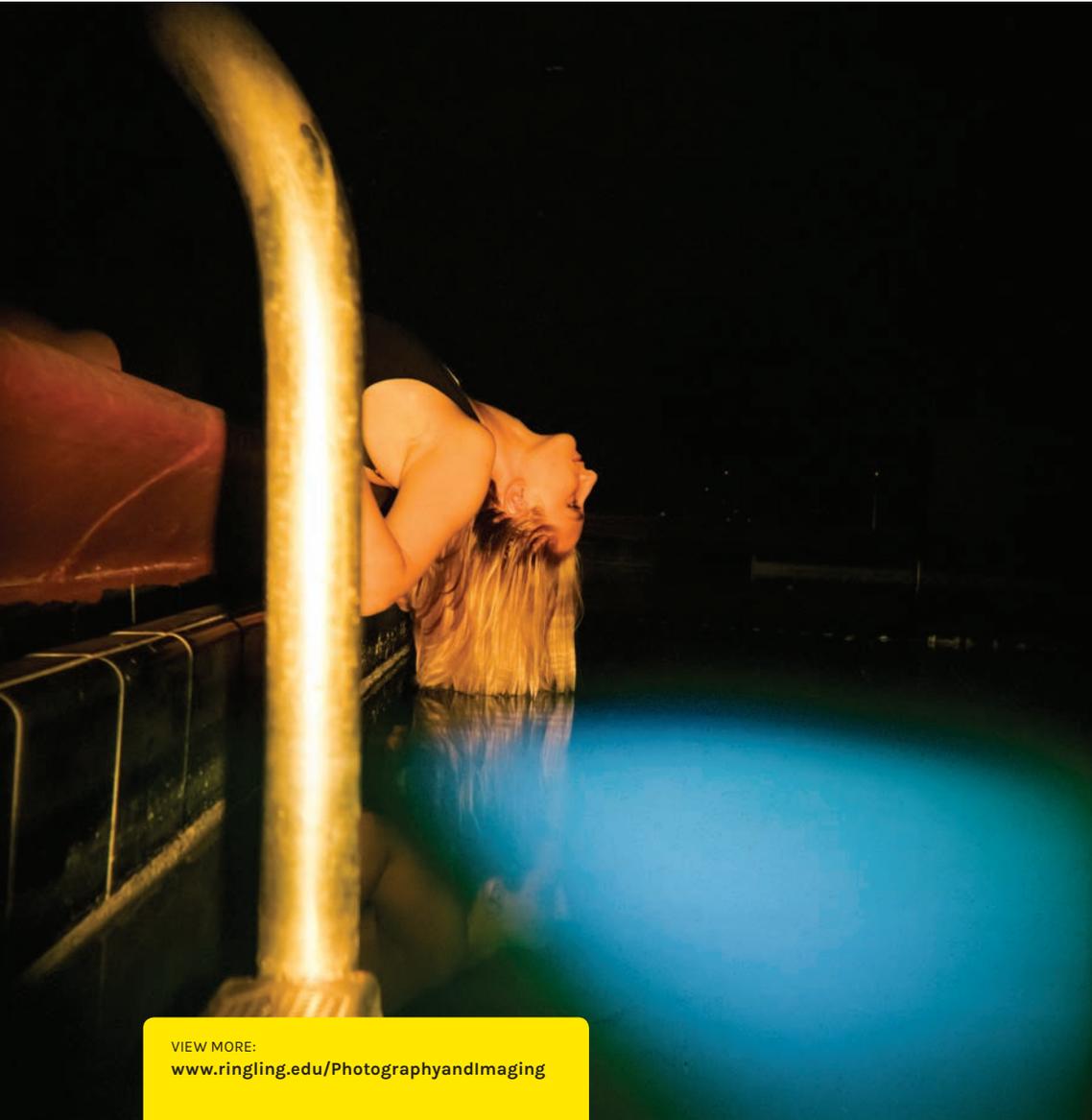


[Ethan Early » Tintype]



[Frances Bukovsky » Pigment Print on Paper]

[Rebecca Morrel » Film]



[Charles Robbins » Pigment Print on Paper]



[Alexis Dunnigan » Pigment Print on Paper]

[Becca Buchanan » Pigment Print on Paper]



VIEW MORE:
www.ringling.edu/PhotographyandImaging

VIRTUAL REALITY DEVELOPMENT

Students in Ringling's Virtual Reality Development program, the first program of its kind, will pioneer advancements in a new medium for artists and designers. They will learn to design, create, and analyze immersive experiences in countless industries, including gaming, healthcare, architecture, advertising, and education.

Virtual Reality Development graduates will jump into a rapidly growing industry, predicted to become an \$80 billion business within the next decade. They will build careers in which they work and play at the forefront of a new artistic realm, which intersects art, design, and technology.

The VR faculty is comprised of animators and designers who are passionate about shaping the next generation of creative leaders through our hands-on studio model of teaching.





[Dionisio Blanco & Michael Filipek >> The Guild VR]

[Dionisio Blanco & Michael Filipek >> The Guild VR]



[Dionisio Blanco & Michael Filipek >> The Guild VR]



[Seth Baldwin >> Windrazor]

[Dionisio Blanco & Michael Filipek >> The Guild VR]



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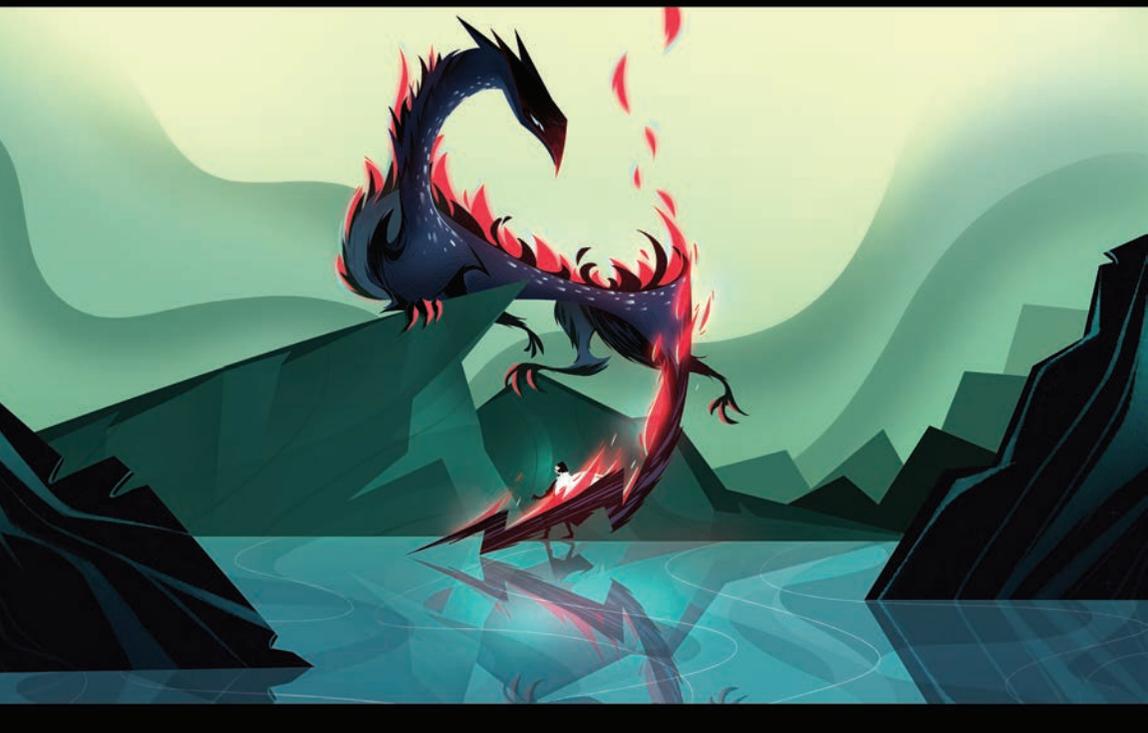
VISUAL STUDIES

Our Visual Studies major is designed for curious, self-directed students looking to build their own programs and rethink the way art and design is created and viewed. They break through boundaries; work across disciplines and media; collaborate with students of every major; and combine two- and three-dimensional, time-based, and written media.

Visual Studies students create their own curriculum by combining courses from any of our minors. They pick and choose what they want to learn, and customize their art and design education. Visual Studies is also ideal for students interested in teaching young, emerging artists and designers.



Design and build a curriculum tailored specifically for the career you want.



[Solongo Enkhtor » Digital Illustration]



[Khang Duong » 3D Modeling]

[Solongo Enkhtor » Figure]



[Julius Arnade » Pigment Print on Paper]



[Julius Arnade » Pigment Print on Paper]



[Matthew Wissing » Full Dome]

[Shreeya Shetye » 3D Modeling]



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RINGLING COLLEGE OF ART + DESIGN

VISIT US

**WE KNOW
YOU'RE GOING TO
LIKE IT HERE!**

There's no better way to understand the Ringling College experience than in person. Plan a visit to campus to meet our students, speak with an admissions counselor, and tour our world-class facilities. Plus, it's almost always sunny in Sarasota!

The campus is only five minutes from Sarasota-Bradenton International Airport (SRQ), and close to Tampa International (TPA) and Southwest Florida International (RSW) airports.

For help planning your visit, contact the Admissions Office at 941.309.0195 or admissions@ringling.edu. You can also schedule a tour online at ringling.edu/plan-a-visit.