



Dear Tennessee Arts Academy Applicant:

**Congratulations!** You have been accepted as a participant in the 2012 Tennessee Arts Academy. The Academy will be held July 8-13, 2012 on the campus of Belmont University in Nashville.

**The following items must be returned to the TAA/AAA office in order to confirm your enrollment. Failure to return all forms and fees by the deadline date will result in removing your application from the 2012 TAA acceptance roster:**

1. **Check for non-refundable registration fee of \$225 (plus additional fees if you are requesting housing and/or a linen packet).** If your school or school system is sending a check for your registration fee, remember to verify with your school system that the check has been sent.
2. **Acceptance Form** (*attached & available online*). Return original form to the TAA office even if you are sending a copy of it to your school system for approval (and/or as part of a check-request).
3. **Campus Release Form** (*attached & available online*). The form is required by Belmont University for all major on-campus events.
4. **Photo/Audio Release Form** (*attached & available online*). The form gives Tennessee Arts Academy and Belmont University permission to take photographs, videos and audio recordings of participants during on-campus events.
5. **Summary Form** (*attached & available online*). This form will help guide you through the Academy registration process.

We have also included an informational sheet outlining academic and professional credit opportunities.

Please mail and/or FAX all forms and fees to:

Tennessee Arts Academy  
c/o Belmont University  
1900 Belmont Boulevard  
Nashville, TN 37212  
FAX: 615-460-6057

**Reminders:**

- Please understand that by accepting, you agree to attend all Academy sessions beginning with Sunday afternoon and evening events (including Registration, Content Area meetings, and the Academy Opening Sessions).
- This acceptance is awarded only to the person here named and is not transferable.
- Due to liability issues and the intensity of the Academy schedule, it is our policy that no one brings children of any age to the Tennessee Arts Academy.
- Belmont University prohibits pets on campus.
- **As of August 1, 2011 Belmont University is a tobacco-free campus.**

In early June we will send you a packet detailing information you will need for your arrival and registration.

If you experience any difficulty with the attachments from this e-mail, please note that all of the above forms are available for easy downloading from the Academy WEB site at: <http://www.tennesseeartsacademy.org/academy-essentials/participant-forms.aspx>. If you would like to receive hard copies of these forms, please e-mail us ([taa@belmont.edu](mailto:taa@belmont.edu)) or call the TAA office (615-460-5451) and we will be glad to accommodate your request. Also, the TAA website contains a press release announcing your Academy acceptance. We encourage you to complete and distribute this release to media outlets in your area. The form can be downloaded by visiting: <http://www.tennesseeartsacademy.org/academy-essentials/participant-forms.aspx>

The entire Academy staff is looking forward to your being here at the Academy for an informative, inspiring and exciting week. We can promise it will be a wonderful time and place to create, connect, and commit yourself to excellence in all aspects of your teaching.

Sincerely,

Frank Bluestein  
TAA/AAA Managing Director

Madeline Bridges, TAA/AAA Project Director  
Associate Dean, Belmont University School of Music

Return this form with check/s for tuition (and housing, if staying on campus) by the deadline date indicated in your acceptance letter.

Tennessee Arts Academy
ACCEPTANCE FORM
July 8-13, 2012

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Will attend \_\_\_\_\_ Will not attend \_\_\_\_\_
(Please print)

Name as you wish it to appear on name badge \_\_\_\_\_
(Please print)

Name as you wish it to appear on certificate of participation \_\_\_\_\_
(Please print)

Please circle unisex t-shirt size you prefer: S M L XL XXL XXXL

Need for Housing: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ (If you need housing, see below.)

Campus Housing (Dorm Room)

NOTE: Housing fees (see below) for rooms and linen packs must be sent to TAA office with registration fee.

Housing Options:

- Double Occupancy \_\_\_\_\_ \$150 per week
Private room/shared bath \_\_\_\_\_ \$225 per week
Private room/private bath \_\_\_\_\_ \$295 per week

Housing Cost - \_\_\_\_\_ (fill in amount from above)

Linen Packet - \_\_\_\_\_ \$20 (optional)
(includes two towels, two face clothes, one set of bed linens, blanket and mattress pad)

TOTAL HOUSING FEES: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Housing fees must be sent to TAA office with registration fee.)

Roommate Gender Request: Male \_\_\_ Female \_\_\_

Specific Roommate Request (optional): \_\_\_\_\_
(Please print name of person with whom you wish to room.)

Your signature below indicates agreement to the following:

My signature below serves to confirm my participation in the 2012 Tennessee Arts Academy. My signature also indicates that I agree to attend all Academy sessions including the Sunday afternoon and evening events (registration, content area meetings, the Academy opening sessions), regular class sessions, musings, performances and special event activities. I understand that I must be present for the entire Academy week in order to be eligible to receive Arts Academy supplies and resources, to receive appropriate professional development credit hours and the Tennessee Arts Academy course completion certificate.

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Your signature

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Date

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c/o Belmont University
1900 Belmont Blvd.
Nashville, TN 37212

615-460-5451 phone
615-460-6057 fax

*Return this form by the deadline date indicated in your acceptance letter.*

**Belmont University**  
**Tennessee Arts Academy**  
**Photo/Audio Release Form**

I hereby give Belmont University, including Tennessee Arts Academy, its employees, licensees, and agents, the absolute and irrevocable right and permission with respect to the photographs, audio recording, and/or video recording taken of me or in which I may be included with others during Tennessee Arts Academy activities to:

- (a) copyright the photograph/audio recording/video footage in the university's name or Academy photographer/recorder/videographer's name;
- (b) use, re-use, publish and republish the same in whole or in part, individually or in conjunction with other photographs/footage, in any medium, including the Internet; and
- (c) use my name and biographical information in connection therewith if so desired.

I hereby release and discharge Belmont University, its trustees, officers, employees, licensees and agents from any and all claims and demands arising out of or in connection with the use of the photographs, audio recording, or video footage, including all claims for invasion of privacy and appropriation.

This authorization and release shall also ensure to the benefit of the legal representatives, licensees, and assigns of Belmont University as well as the person(s) for whom the photographs, audio recording, or video is taken.

I have read the foregoing and fully understand its contents.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*Return this form by the deadline date indicated in your acceptance letter.*

## BELMONT UNIVERSITY

### ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RELEASE AGREEMENT

1. This is a legally-binding Assumption of Risk and Release Agreement made by \_\_\_\_\_ (name of TAA participant), to Belmont University signed on \_\_\_\_\_ (today's month, day and year).
2. I make this Agreement in consideration of being permitted by Belmont University to participate in the Tennessee Arts Academy, July 8-13, 2012. I understand that participation in the Arts Academy may include but not be limited to the following activities: a) Instruction in art, music, drama including hands on experience with various art media; b) Participation in public performances; c) Travel to and from motels, restaurants and area museums in vehicles operated by Belmont University. I understand that the university does not require me to participate in these activities.
3. I recognize that there are risks and hazards directly or inherently involved, making these and related activities potentially dangerous. With full knowledge of the facts and circumstances surrounding these activities, I voluntarily agree to assume all the risks and responsibilities of my participation in them, including all risk of loss of limb or life, property damage, or injury to others.
4. I, on behalf of myself, my family, heirs and legal representatives release, waive, and forever discharge Belmont University, its agents, employees, officers, and governing board from and against any and all liability, claims and actions that may arise from injury or harm to me, from my death or from damage to my property in connection with this activity. I understand that this release covers liability, claims and actions caused entirely or in part by any acts or failures to act of Belmont University (or its governing board, employees or agents).
5. I further grant permission for Belmont University, its agents or employees to obtain necessary medical attention in case of my sickness or injury. I consent to any necessary medical examination, diagnosis, or treatment and agree to be responsible for costs of such medical services.
6. I agree that this Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of Tennessee, and that if any portion of this Agreement is held invalid, any such findings shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions which shall remain in full force and effect.
7. I have read this entire Agreement, I fully understand it and I agree to be legally bound by it.

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Participant

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*Return this form by the deadline date indicated in your acceptance letter.*



## Summary of 2012 TAA Acceptance Confirmation Process

**Return all forms listed below to the TAA office.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Acceptance Confirmation Form

\_\_\_\_\_ Photo Release Form

\_\_\_\_\_ Belmont University Release Form

\_\_\_\_\_ Check for fees:

\$225 Non-refundable Registration Fee

*plus* \_\_\_\_\_ Optional On-campus Housing Cost

- \$150 – double occupancy
- \$225 – Private room/shared bath
- \$295 – Private room/private bath
- \$20 – linen packet (optional)

(Total fees owed) \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICIPANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Send all materials to:

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Belmont University  
1900 Belmont Blvd.  
Nashville, TN 37212

615-460-5451

615-460-6057 - fax

Questions?

Email: [taa@belmont.edu](mailto:taa@belmont.edu)



# Academic and Professional Credit for 2012 Arts Academy

(Available only to accepted Arts Academy participants)

## **I. University Academic Credit**

### **Options:**

- two (2) or three (3) hours of **undergraduate credit** or
- one (1) or two (2) hours of **graduate credit**

from Belmont University are available for TAA participants who choose to enroll at their own expense. The courses for which credit may be earned include “Special Studies in Art,” “Special Studies in Drama/Theatre,” “Special Studies in General Classroom,” and “Special Studies in Music.”

**Detailed information and all forms related to academic credit (including information about academic credit cost and a syllabus) may be found on the TAA website:**

<http://www.tennesseeartsacademy.org/academy-essentials/academic-credit.aspx>

**If you wish to take the Academy for credit, read all materials on this web page and follow website directions carefully.**

If you have further questions about Academic Credit after reading material on the website, or if you need immediate assistance, email Dr. Madeline S. Bridges (Belmont University professor and Arts Academy Project Director) at

[Madeline.Bridges@belmont.edu](mailto:Madeline.Bridges@belmont.edu).

## **II. Professional Licensure Credit**

With prior approval of the local school system, Tennessee teachers who participate in the full Academy experience may receive 36 points toward renewal of their teaching license. [NOTE: It is not necessary to register for Academic Credit through Belmont University to obtain this licensure credit.]

## **III. TASL Credit**

Tennessee principals and supervisors may earn 32 hours of TASL credit by attending all sessions of the Academy.