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Upcoming Events

- 10/3- Aud.- HFAA One-Act Play "Never the Sinner" Preview; 4:00 - 5:00 p
- 10/4- S & B's Burger Joint Day; 11:00 a - 10:00 p (9th Street Location)
- 10/4 & 7- HFAA CHEER Tryouts; Dance Room 4:00 - 6:30 p
- 10/6- OSSAA Drama 1-ACT Regional Competition at Bishop McGuiness
- 10/8- Parent & Student Volunteer Day; 9:00 a - noon
- 10/8- PTO Meeting; 9:00 a Media Center
- 10/8- Martial Arts Belt Test; 10:00 a - 2:00 p in the Big Gym
- 10/10- OSSAA District Academic Bowl; Auditorium (Time TBD)
- 10/11- College Planning Night in the Auditorium 6:30 - 7:30 p
- 10/14- No School
- 10/15- Nicnos concert benefitting HFAA at The Bottle Cap Barn; 7:00 p
- 10/14 - 10/24- Fall Break No School
- 10/24 - 10/29- Unified Martial Arts World Championships- Italy
- 10/28 & 10/29- Fall Play "Bad Seed"; Auditorium 7:00 - 9:00 p
- 10/28- OSSAA Drama 1-ACT State Competition

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Harding Fine Arts Academy- Legacy-Builders

Over 10 years ago Harding Fine Arts Academy opened with 65 students in 9th grade. It has now grown to an enrollment of 400 students with a wait list for all grades. As with any organization, HFAA has been presented with challenges, but these trials are opportunities to better things. They are stepping stones to a greater experience! HFAA hasn't always had enough resources, but the HFAA family has heart! Our students, parents, teachers, counselors, board and community have worked tirelessly to build a small, sometimes misunderstood charter school, into an groundbreaking, compassionate, highly-effective, authentic and award-winning school! Whether it's our Speech and Debate Team, Vocal Music, Drama Department, Instrumental Music, Visual Arts Department, Dance Groups or Athletic teams, our teachers and students should proudly consider themselves as legacy-builders for students for many years to come!



"...Don't try to present your art by making other people read or hear or see or touch it; make them feel it. Wear your art like your heart on your sleeve and keep it alive by making people feel a little better. Feel a little lighter. Create art in order for yourself to become yourself and let your very existence be your song, your poem, your story.

Let your very identity be your book.

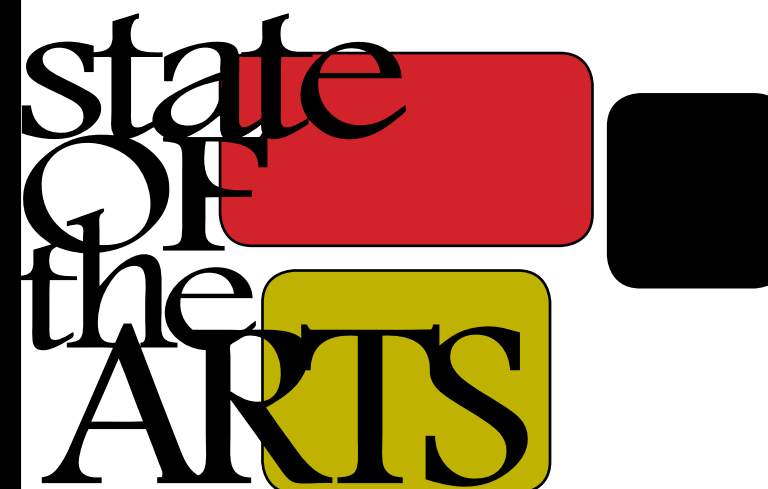
Let the way people say your name sound like the sweetest melody.

So go create.

Take photographs in the wood, run alone in the rain and sing your heart out high up on a mountain where no one will ever hear and your very existence will be the most hypnotising scar.

Make your life be your art and you will never be forgotten."

Charlotte Eriksso



Preparing students
for college in an
academically
challenging,
arts-integrated
environment.

HFAA Drama Students Tackle the Crime of the Century

It was considered the crime of the century. Two college boys commit a murder - not for gain, or out of passion - just to do it, just to experience the thrill. Nathan Freudenthal Leopold, Jr. and Richard Albert Loeb were two wealthy students at the University of Chicago who in May 1924 kidnapped and murdered 14-year-old Robert Franks in Chicago.



HFAA Students
Andrew Richerson,
Sean Smith and
William Day

Based on the infamous 1924 trial of Leopold and Loeb, "Never the Sinner" is their story, and the story of one of the most famous American lawyers and civil libertarians, Clarence Darrow. Darrow is called in to defend the monstrous and win freedom for the wicked. Darrow's 12-hour-long summation at their sentencing hearing is famous for its criticism of capital punishment. Both men were sentenced to life imprisonment plus 99 years.

The drama students of HFAA will be performing an act from "Never the Sinner" as part of the Oklahoma Secondary School Activity Association's One Act Play competition. HFAA will be competing in the 5A division on October 6th at Bishop McGuiness High School.

Nathan Leopold and Richard Albert Loeb are being played by HFAA juniors, Andrew Richerson and William Day. Famed attorney, Clarence Darrow is being played by senior Sean Smith.

The general public is invited to attend a preview of the performance on Monday, October 3rd at 4:00 in the Harding auditorium. There will be no charge for this performance.

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HFAA Yoga Club

Yoga Club started up again on September 1, with senior Esther McMillan serving as Ambassador (student leader). Esther was also a founding member during our first year as a club. Yoga Club meets on Thursdays at 4pm in the dance room.

HFAA's fall show offering is "Bad Seed" by Maxwell Anderson. The play tells the story of Rhoda, seemingly sweet and innocent little girl and her mother who suspects that her daughter is guilty of a terrible crime. Seniors Mady Smith and Lexi Hurley portray Rhoda and her mother respectively; Seniors Tatum Guthrie and Dexter Bryant will play the Daigles, Daniel Jensen plays Richard Bravo, Whitney Clear performs the role of Monica and Oscar Kabrick plays Leroy. The performance will be Oct. 28th & 29th at 7pm in the Harding Auditorium. Ticket prices are \$5. For adults, \$3 for senior citizens/military, \$2 for students.



HFAA Students
Lexi Hurley and Mady Smith

S&B's Burger Joint to Support HFAA- October 4th!

Through its "Pay It Forward" program, S & B's Burger Joint will be donating to the HFAA drama program. Dine at their N.W. 9th street location **the first Tuesday of every month** and HFAA will receive 20% of receipts. Diners just need to drop their receipts in the provided box! This offer is valid between the hours of 11:00 a and 10:00 p and includes dine-in or carry-out.



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HFAA Endowment Fund

Recently, the Kirkpatrick Family Fund awarded HFAA a matching grant opportunity. Our goal was to raise \$6,000 and the Kirkpatrick Family Fund will match that amount with \$2,000 for a total of \$8,000 added to our endowment fund at OCCF. A HUGE thank you to the following donors!

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HFAA Cross Country Team

A HUGE shout out to the new HFAA Cross Country team! They have been training hard after school and have competed in the Guthrie and PC Invitational Cross Country meets. A big thank you to Coach Travis Rhodes for working with our students: Adrianna Medina, Aye Hla, Kierra Williams, Collin Reid, Landon Samilton, Cristian Rodas, Oscar Kabrick, Britny Martinez, Abigail Thant, Divinity Harris, Dominique Jones, Claire Owen, Taylor Pounds, Dachia Brown (Team Manager)



All-City Orchestra Event

On September 23rd, seven of HFAA's orchestra students had the honor of representing our school at an All-City Orchestra event. This one day event brought together all of the top performers from Oklahoma City area schools to rehearse together for approximately 6 hours and then present a concert that evening. This year's guest clinician was Peter Markas, orchestra teacher at Edmond North High School and Oklahoma's 2014 Teacher of the Year. The students performed exceptionally well and learned many new things to bring back to HFAA's orchestra program.

