THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

Competition⇄ Review **NEXUS**

UGS 2025 Arts Showcase Application

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Dates

Internal Submission Deadline:

Monday, March 10, 2025

Details

Description

The Undergraduate Symposium on Research and Creative Activity (UGS) at Southern Miss is an annual event showcasing outstanding work by undergraduate students across the campus. All faculty, staff, and students can attend the Symposium. The event typically features over 150 student presenters and artists and approximately 300 attendees. **UGS 2025 is scheduled for Saturday, April 26, 2025.**

The **UGS Arts Showcase** is a celebration of both the aesthetic and conceptual work of our undergraduate student artists, including works of art that explore original topics or bring fresh perspectives to existing ones. We ask our student artists to submit a title for and brief description of their artistic work and an artist's statement, which should describe why and how they created and performed their work as well as its relationship to other work in their field. Students will also upload a document that allows judges to view, hear, or read their submission. These elements will help the faculty planning committee evaluate each student artist's unique contribution.

The planning committee for USM's Undergraduate Symposium on Research and Creative Activities honors selected student artists and their work through acceptance to the Arts Showcase. Awards will be distributed based upon this early selection process as well.

Artists of all genres are encouraged to apply. This includes, but is not limited to, dance, music, theatre, visual art, video/film, and creative writing.

A few helpful hints:

You must apply **title capitalization rules** (see Title Capitalization Guidelines (/PlatformServicesV2/Commons/getDocument/UGS%20Project%20Title%20Capitalization%20Guidelines.pdf?documentName=0ae8701f-988b-4ba0-8b70-01195e7c4c41.pdf&applicationId=7) support document) to your submission title.

If you indicate a **preferred name**, your Arts Showcase entry will be listed in the program under that name.

If you have questions about the Symposium, Arts Showcase, or the submission process, please contact the UGS administrators at ugs@usm.edu (mailto:ugs@usm.edu).

Personal Details

***Applicant First Name:** * indicates required

***Applicant Last Name:**

Preferred Name:

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***Student ID:**

***Email Address:**

***Phone Number:**

***Hometown:**

***Major:** Select

Second Major (if applicable): Select

***In the following fields, please provide the name and contact information of a USM faculty member who is familiar with and supports this project.:**

***Faculty Mentor Email:**

***Faculty Mentor Affiliation (School):** Select

Co-Presenters Information

If your presentation will involve undergraduate co-presenters, complete ONE application on behalf of the team. **The person completing the application (listed as applicant) will be the primary contact for the entire team. All communication from the committee about the application and symposium will be sent to the primary contact. The primary contact will be responsible for disseminating any information to the rest of the team. To be eligible for an Arts Showcase award, the main presenter will have to be present at the awards ceremony.**

Please do not list graduate students or faculty mentors here.

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Proposal Details

***Proposal Title:** *** indicates required**

***Description of work (include title and genre of art, and any other important descriptive factors such as media used, original premiere date, length of performance, etc.):**

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***Artist statement. Give the jurors insight into your artistic process/product. Consider: Why did you create this work of art, or choose to perform it? What process did you use in creating/performing it? How does it relate to other works in the field?:**

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***In the following fields, please provide program information. Title: (use title capitalization rules; see competition files).:**

***Name, Role & Major: Your first and last name followed by how you would like to be identified (visual artist, choreographer, writer, poet, performer, composer, etc.) and your major:**

If your work has a composer, author or choreographer that is NOT you, please include his/her/their name(s) and role(s):

Name(s) of those performing your work (if applicable):

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Upload Files

***Document Upload**

*** indicates required**

Please upload a document that allows us to view, hear, and/or read your submission.

Visual artists: submit image file size between 2 and 5 MB per image at 200-300 dpi for best quality. You may submit up to 3 samples of your work in one document.

Creative writers: submit the writing that you are proposing to read during the showcase. If your work is short, you may submit up to 3 pieces. If your work would take more than 4 minutes to read, please indicate what excerpt of your work you would share, if selected.

Performing (music, dance, theatre) and video/film artists: you may submit one work. Include a link to your performance video or video/film in your document upload.

***File Input:** Choose File No file chosen

Save or Submit Your Application

Click the Save as Draft button if you would like to return later to complete your application (below left).
Click the Submit Application button when you are ready to submit your application (below right).

Add Other Email Addresses for Notifications

Use the form below to have other email addresses included on all communications.

Enter recipient(s) email address(es):

Separate email addresses with commas

Student Acknowledgement

☐ **I agree that I, along with any co-presenters listed above, will attend the symposium arts showcase and the awards ceremony, if my submission is accepted.**

I understand that, to be eligible for an Arts Showcase award, I will have to be present at the awards ceremony.

Save as Draft

Submit Application