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Belmont Summer Vocal Arts Intensive

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GENERAL INFORMATION

PURPOSE

The Belmont Summer Vocal Arts Intensive immerses young singers in all things vocal: solo, small group, and large ensemble experiences in a myriad of styles! Rising 9th-12th graders will engage in rehearsals, masterclasses, and performances with the exceptional artistic faculty at Belmont University. The Summer Vocal Arts Intensive provides a unique opportunity to experience high level artistry in both classical and commercial singing, and students can cultivate a range of opportunities to explore it all. This residential camp takes place on Belmont University's stunning campus in downtown Nashville, TN.

DAILY SCHEDULE

Each day, students will participate in mass choir rehearsals, electives, small ensembles, music theory, master classes, and social experiences. The mass choir will rehearse and perform a final concert of traditional and contemporary choral music. Small ensemble opportunities include Chamber Choir, Jazz Choir, A Capella Choir, Pop/Rock, and Musical Theatre ensemble. Masterclasses will provide solo vocal lessons in a group setting in classical, commercial, integrative, or musical theatre tracks styles, as selected upon application. Elective classes will offer opportunities to explore Choral Conducting, Improvisation, Diction for Singers, Movement (dance), Artist Development, and more. Evening activities include a mix of social activities (scavenger hunts!, etc.) and recitals (faculty and campers). Camp wide seminars will provide information about Applying and Auditioning to be a music major, Majors and Careers in Music, and more.

The approximate daily schedule is as follows:

7:30 AM Breakfast
8:15 AM Warm-up and Mass Choir Rehearsals
9:30 AM Music Theory
10:15 AM Elective
11:10 AM Small Ensemble Rehearsal
12:30 PM Lunch
1:45 PM Mass Choir Rehearsal
3:00 PM Masterclass (Classical, Commercial, Integrated, or Musical Theatre)
4:20 PM Academic Lectures – Audition Tips, Majors and Careers, etc.
5:00 PM Dinner
6:00 PM Free Time
7:30 PM Evening Activities – Social Activities, Faculty Recital, Student Recital, etc.
9:00 PM Return to Dormitories
11:00 PM Lights Out

****Commuters** should plan to arrive in time for Warm-Ups at 8:15am and stay through Evening Activities, ending at approximately 9pm

HOUSING AND MEALS

Students will be housed in Belmont University dormitories. Roommates will be assigned randomly by gender unless roommate requests are indicated on the registration form. Age and grade level will be considered in making random assignments. While in the dormitories, participants will be under the careful supervision of the camp staff, and security will be a priority.

All meals will be served in the Harrington Place Dining Hall and will begin with dinner on June 23rd and end with breakfast on Saturday, June 29th. **Residential** campers will be provided breakfast, lunch, and dinner, while **Commuter** campers will be provided lunch and dinner. Any food allergies should be communicated ahead of time through the Medical Information Form. Our Dining Hall can meet a wide variety of dietary needs with advance notice.

CAMP FACULTY AND STAFF

The camp features the outstanding faculty of the Belmont University School of Music. The Large Choirs will be conducted by Dr. Jeffery Ames and Dr. Lesley Mann, and small ensembles will be coached by members of the choral and vocal faculty. Masterclasses will be led by applied faculty members. Counseling staff will include Belmont University students and alumni and will be present at all times to assist campers.

ENSEMBLE AND THEORY PLACEMENT

Each student will be placed in a small ensemble and a music theory class. Ensembles will be assigned based on student preferences entered in their initial application, with attention to creating balanced ensembles. Music Theory classes will be assigned by self-report ability as entered in the **Elective and Music Theory Interest Form** which was completed with tuition payment. If a student feels they have been placed in the wrong level once the class begins, we can reassign.

MASTERCLASSES

Each student has been assigned to a masterclass in the genre for which they applied.

Students should bring two prepared pieces, with sheet music for an accompanist in the correct key. Accompanists will be provided during the masterclasses. Students will receive individualized instruction in a group setting on their pieces. From the masterclasses, students will be selected to perform for the camp on the Honors Solo Recital.

- **Students are encouraged to have these songs memorized** in order to easily implement feedback from the instructors. Only students who are memorized on their pieces will be considered for the Honors Solo Recital.
- Students choosing the Musical Theatre track are encouraged to select contrasting pieces: one from the Golden Age and one contemporary piece.
- Original songs are welcome for Integrated or Commercial styles. Please provide at least a complete chord chart for reference by your teacher. If you have questions about your chart, feel free to email the camp director ahead of time for perusal.
- Students may opt to accompany themselves on guitar or piano. Students may bring their own guitar for this purpose, as we don't have any to loan. We do not use recorded music for masterclasses.

ELECTIVES

Students indicate their elective preferences on the **Elective and Music Theory Interest Form** (as part of tuition payment). Every attempt will be made to honor preferences, though some students may end up with their second or third choice. We encourage exploration outside the genre of your masterclass, though you are welcome to choose classes supporting your chosen style.

Elective topics are still being finalized. Previous topics have included: *Vocal Heath, Choral Conducting, Acting in Song, Commercial Styles, Improvisation, Songwriting, Crafting and Coaching your Musical Theatre Audition, Artist Development, Dance, and Musicianship for the Commercial Singer.*

REFUND POLICY

The \$50 deposit is non-refundable. Full refunds (minus the deposit) will be available for cancellations made by **May 17**. Cancellations made between May 18 and June 16 will receive a refund of half tuition (minus the deposit); however, no refunds will be granted for cancellations on or after the start of camp, June 23, 2024.

CAMP REGULATIONS AND BEHAVIORAL POLICIES

- Campers will conduct themselves professionally at all times and will adhere to the rules and regulations of Belmont University. Basic rules of conduct will be presented during our organizational meetings on Sunday.
- Campers are expected to wear appropriate clothing for rehearsals, master classes, and recreational events. Shoes are required at all times.
- All campers are expected to respect the rights and property of others. The following are not permitted on campus or in the residence halls: fireworks or explosives of any kind, firearms or munitions, pets, refrigerators, cooking equipment, illegal drugs, alcoholic beverages, and any other items that could cause bodily harm or damage.
- Campers are not permitted to wander campus alone. We implement a strict buddy system for minors on our urban campus.
- Smoking is prohibited on campus.
- **Failure to observe guidelines may result in early and immediate dismissal from the camp with no refund of tuition and fees.**

CHECK-IN

Residential campers will check-in in the main lobby of their assigned dorms between 1:30PM and 3:00PM on Sunday, June 23rd, 2024. Dorm assignments will be communicated via email as soon as they are available. **(Residence Hall is subject to change according to university needs. If this changes, the camp director will send an update by email!)** Please note that all release forms must be completed before the student may complete registration.

Commuter Campers will check in downstairs in the Massey Performing Arts Center, in front of Harton Recital Hall.

DORMITORY AND DINING HALL ACCESS

Campers will receive a single card and a room key that provides access to the dining hall, the residence hall, and the dormitory room. Visitation between dorms is allowed in the lobbies only. At no time should a camper proceed beyond the lobby of a dorm in which they are not staying. **Should a student lose their card or key, replacement costs will be billed to the camper at a cost of \$10 for the card and \$30 for the key.**

COMPUTER ACCESS AND PERSONAL ELECTRONICS

Wireless internet access is available across campus. Laptops or tablets are allowed in the dormitories and during free time. Belmont University computers will not be available to camp participants. Cellular phones are permitted; however, they are prohibited in all rehearsals and master classes.

TRAVEL TO AND FROM CAMP:

- We are unable to provide transportation to and from the airport. Campers will be responsible for their own transportation to and from campus.
 - We will send a link in early June to a group text on the GroupMe text platform to all registered students. This will not be monitored by camp personnel ahead of camp, but you may use this to connect with other campers and share transportation.
 - **Any minors departing camp on Saturday without a parent/guardian present will need to provide their departure plan in writing to Dr. Lesley Mann: summervocalarts@belmont.edu We will not release a student to a rideshare without permission in writing.**
- If students are driving to camp, they must check car keys with the head counselor upon arrival. Residents will not be allowed to leave campus in personal vehicles during the week.
- Commuter students, if driving, must report to a counselor prior to departure. Commuter students being picked up must be picked up by an authorized adult. Paperwork for this will be completed at check-in on June 23.
- **PARKING IS AVAILABLE IN THE CURB EVENT CENTER GARAGE (#27 on map) AND McWHORTER/INMAN GARAGE (#6 on map). A map is included at the end of this handbook; to see a clearer, zoomable map, click here: <http://www.belmont.edu/campusmap/files/campusmap.pdf>**
- A mobile map and walking tour of campus is available on the Belmont App. Download at belmont.edu/mobile.

WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP

MUSICAL NEEDS

1. Sheet music for your TWO prepared solo pieces for the Masterclass.
2. You MUST bring a pencil to all rehearsals and master classes.
3. A music folder will be provided to you at no cost.
4. Water Bottle

CLOTHES

1. Casual clothes and shoes for rehearsals, master classes, and instructional time. Please dress appropriately at all times.
2. For the Honors Solo Recital:
 - a. If you are selected for performance in the Honors Solo Recital, you will be asked to wear nice attire for the performance. This performance is on a stage that is quite close to and above the audience. With this in mind, performers are encouraged to consider skirt length.
3. For the Small Ensembles concert:
 - a. Ensembles will coordinate attire based on what campers have with them. Suggested attire for this evening is all black – shirts, slacks, blouses, skirts, dresses, etc. Participants might consider bringing a colorful accessory.
4. For the Large Ensembles Concert:
 - a. Camp t-shirts will be provided at no additional cost. All campers should bring long blue jeans to wear with the camp t-shirt for the final performance.

ITEMS FOR THE DORMITORY

1. Twin sheets (regular or extra long will work), blanket, pillow, and pillow case.
2. An alarm clock.
3. Bath towels, washcloth, hand towels, soap, including hand soap, and other toiletries. The dorm provides toilet paper only.
4. Trash bag - the dorm does not provide a trash can. For the week, a plastic grocery bag should suffice.
5. You may wish to bring a small fan and a heavy blanket. Thermostats are not individually controlled, therefore causing fluctuating temperatures.
6. A laundry bag can be useful to keep your things tidy!
7. Money: Although most camp activities are included in the cost of tuition, you may want to bring extra money for optional events and incidentals such as snacks, drinks, and souvenirs. The campus store will be open for purchasing school t-shirts or other spirit items.

SENDING MAIL

Mail may be addressed to:

Name, Summer Vocal Arts Intensive, % Lesley Mann, 1900 Belmont Blvd., Nashville, TN 37212.

The camp office is not liable for mail that arrives past the conclusion of the camp. We recommend not sending mail past Wednesday. Please do not include money in mail.

MEDICAL CARE

Campers must be able to administer their own prescription medications. Counseling staff will not be responsible for administering medication. Walk-in clinic care is **not** available on campus during the camp. In the event of mild illness, the camp staff will contact the parent and allow the student to rest in the dormitory. In the event of severe illness or emergency, a student will be taken to Emergency Care as indicated on the Medical Information Preferences completed during registration. **All medical charges (emergency room, laboratories, x-ray facilities, etc.) are the responsibility of the parent or guardian.**

LEAVING CAMPUS/EARLY DEPARTURE/EMERGENCIES

Upon check-in, campers will not be allowed to leave campus unless prior arrangements have been made with the camp office. Campers driving to Belmont University must turn their keys into the head counselor upon dormitory check-in. Commuter students are the exception and must report arrival and departure to the counselor assigned to them on the first day. If you wish for your student to be checked out for dinner by anyone other than a parent/guardian, we must have written permission. (Email will suffice) We understand that emergencies may warrant students to depart early. A parent or guardian must notify the campus office in this event.

In the event of an emergency during regular daytime hours, please call the camp office at (615) 460-6024. After hours, please call Belmont Campus Security at (615) 460-6617 and ask for the resident assistant on duty in the assigned dormitory. .

CONCERTS/RECITALS

Student participants will take part in two or three performances:

Event	Date	Location	Who Will Participate	Attire
Honors Solo Recital	Thursday, June 27th 8:00pm	Massey Concert Hall	Select Singers will be chosen for this Honors Solo Recital from their Masterclass participation.	Students should dress nicely for this event.
Small Ensembles Concert	Friday, June 28th 7:00pm	Massey Concert Hall	All students will participate in this event.	We suggest all black attire. Directors may request a colorful accent, based on what students have available.
Mass Choir Concert	Saturday, June 29th 11:00am	McAfee Concert Hall	All students will participate in this event.	All students will be provided a t-shirt. Please bring long blue jeans.

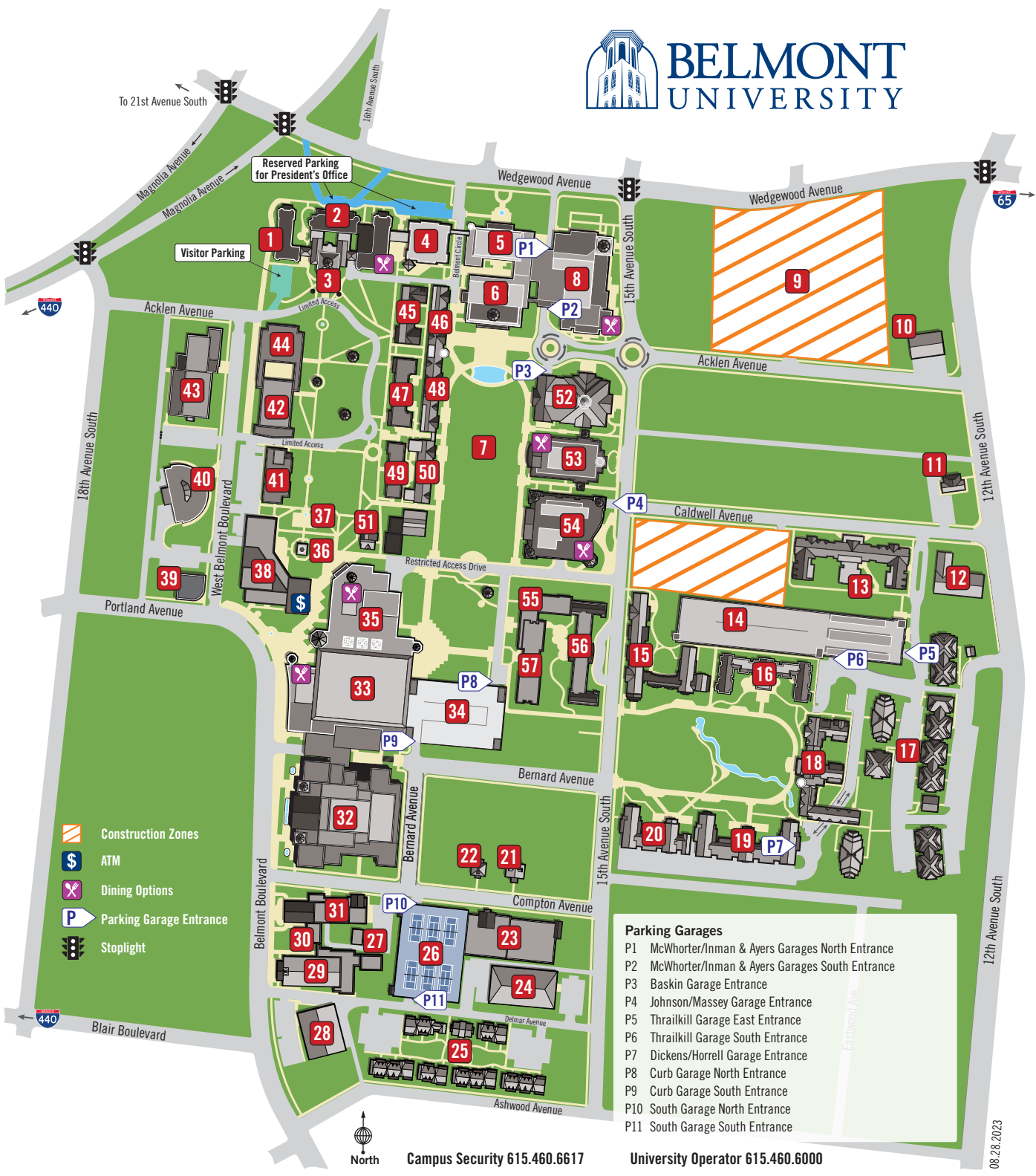
Ample seating is available for ALL of the above events for interested parents/friends. No tickets required.

FINAL CHECK OUT TIME

Students must check out of their rooms prior to the Large Ensemble concert on Saturday, June 29th. Students will be allowed to begin the check-out process at 7:00AM. In the event that a camper's parents have not arrived by the start of the concert at 11:00AM, students may place their luggage in a designated location for retrieval after the Large Ensembles concert. Please be advised that students will only have **ONE HOUR** to retrieve their luggage after the conclusion of the concert. The final concert typically lasts around 35 minutes. It is reasonable to assume you'll be able to leave campus no later than noon.

RECREATION AND SPECIAL EVENTS

During the afternoon hours, students will have options to visit locations on campus or relax in the dormitory. As well, students may practice during this time. Students will also have the opportunity to visit local establishments adjacent to campus, including Bongo Java Coffee House, International Market Restaurant, Fun Time Ramen, and 615 Deli. Visiting these establishments will be at the individual student's expense, and a camp counselor will be present for these campus adjacent opportunities. We abide by a strict Buddy System during free time - campers are not permitted to wander the campus on their own. During the evening hours, students will take part in activities such as faculty recitals, a scavenger hunt, and various other organized activities on campus.



-  Construction Zones
-  ATM
-  Dining Options
-  Parking Garage Entrance
-  Stoplight

- ### Parking Garages
- P1 McWhorter/Inman & Ayers Garages North Entrance
 - P2 McWhorter/Inman & Ayers Garages South Entrance
 - P3 Baskin Garage Entrance
 - P4 Johnson/Massey Garage Entrance
 - P5 Thraikill Garage East Entrance
 - P6 Thraikill Garage South Entrance
 - P7 Dickens/Horrell Garage Entrance
 - P8 Curb Garage North Entrance
 - P9 Curb Garage South Entrance
 - P10 South Garage North Entrance
 - P11 South Garage South Entrance

- 1 Fidelity Hall
- 2 Freeman Hall
- 3 Belmont Mansion
- 4 Rogers Center
Corner Court (dining)
Mulloy Student Studios
- 5 Inman Center (P)
- 6 McWhorter Hall (P)
- 7 The Lawn
- 8 Ayers Academic Center (P)
Gabhart Chapel
Slim & Husky's (dining)
We Proudly Brew Starbucks (dining)
- 9 Frist College of Medicine
(under construction)
- 10 The UPS Store at Belmont
Mail Services
- 11 TBD
- 12 Belmont Ministry Center
- 13 Caldwell Hall
- 14 Thraikill Garage (P)
- 15 Russell Hall
- 16 Thraikill Hall
- 17 Hillside
- 18 Tall Hall
- 19 Dickens Hall (P)
- 20 Horrell Hall (P)
- 21 Guitar House, 1508 Compton
- 22 Enactus, 1512 Compton
- 23 Crockett Center for Athletic Excellence
- 24 Facilities Management Services
- 25 Belmont Commons
- 26 South Garage/Tennis Facility (P)
- 27 Dynamo Room
- 28 Department of Sport Science
- 29 McAfee Concert Hall
- 30 Belmont Heights
- 31 Troutt/Black Box Theater Complex
- 32 The Fisher Center for the Performing Arts
- 33 Curb Event Center
Maddox Grand Atrium
Chick-fil-A (dining)
Mesa Komal Café (dining)
- 34 Curb Garage (P)
- 35 Beaman Student Life Center
Einstein Bagels (dining)
- 36 Bell Tower
- 37 West Amphitheatre
- 38 Gabhart Student Center
Belmont Central, 1st Floor
Campus Security, 1st Floor
The HUB, 1st Floor
University Ministries, 1st Floor
Counseling Services, 2nd Floor
- 39 O'More College Annex
- 40 Leu Center for the Visual Arts
- 41 Hitch Building
- 42 Massey Performing Arts Center
Massey Concert Hall
Harton Hall
- 43 Bunch Library
Gallery of Iconic Guitars (GIG)
Leu Art Gallery
Hart Studio Museum
- 44 Wilson Music Building
- 45 Heron Hall
- 46 Patton Hall
- 47 Pembroke Hall
- 48 Bear House
- 49 Hail Hall
Little Theatre
- 50 Potter Hall
- 51 Fouch Alumni House
- 52 Baskin Center (P)
- 53 Massey Center
Admissions – Welcome Center
The BruinShop
Belmont Data Collaborative
Belmont Innovation Labs
Bruin Bites (dining)
Career & Professional Development Office
Massey College Centers of Excellence
Student Success & Flourishing
- 54 Johnson Center (P)
Curb Music Business Center
Harrington Place Dining (dining)
- 55 Maddox Hall
- 56 Kennedy Hall
- 57 Wright Hall
Residence Life Office
- 58 Admissions – Welcome Center
- 59 Ayers Academic Center (P)
- 60 Baskin Center (P)
- 61 Beaman Student Life Center
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- 77 Counseling Services, 2nd Floor Gabhart
- 78 Crockett Center for Athletic Excellence
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- 80 Curb Garage (P)
- 81 Curb Music Business Center
- 82 Dickens Hall (P)
- 83 Dynamo Room
- 84 Einstein Bagels (dining)
- 85 Enactus, 1512 Compton
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- 87 Fidelity Hall
- 88 The Fisher Center for the Performing Arts
- 89 Fouch Alumni House
- 90 Frist College of Medicine
(under construction)
- 91 Freeman Hall
- 92 Gabhart Chapel
- 93 Gabhart Student Center
- 94 Gallery of Iconic Guitars (GIG)
- 95 Guitar House, 1508 Compton
- 96 Hail Hall
- 97 Harrington Place Dining (dining)
- 98 Harton Hall
- 99 Hart Studio Museum
- 100 Health Services
- 101 Heron Hall
- 102 Hillside
- 103 Hitch Building
- 104 Horrell Hall (P)
- 105 The HUB, 1st Floor Gabhart
- 106 Inman Center (P)
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