Registration and Arrival
Again, welcome to the Jazz Institute at Skidmore College. Registration is Saturday, June 27th, from 2 – 4 pm at Case Center on the Skidmore College campus. At that time you will receive a Skidmore I.D. card and room assignment. Commuting students, who are attending the Institute but living off campus, are also required to register at the Case Center Registration Desk to receive a Skidmore I.D. card. This may be done any time after 2 p.m. on Saturday.

After registering at Case Center, drummers and bass and guitar players (in particular) will be given locker assignments and asked to unload and secure their instruments in the Zankel Music Center before proceeding to register with the Resident Staff and move into Jonsson Tower.

Saturday evening there will be an Orientation where you will meet our staff and fellow musicians and tour the Zankel Music Center.

Participants will attend the Saratoga Freihofer’s Jazz Festival at the Saratoga Performing Arts Center on Sunday, June 28th. Information on the Festival can be found on the SPAC website: www.spac.org. Lunch and dinner will be provided, but you may wish to bring some money for additional snacks, etc.

Classes begin Monday morning at 8:30 am; a complete program schedule will be available at Registration.

Travel and Preparation
In making your travel arrangements there are a few things you may wish to consider. If you are traveling by air, the closest airport is Albany International in Albany, New York, approximately a 40-minute ride from campus. There are bus and train stations in Saratoga Springs and each is about a 10-minute drive. Please take a taxi or shuttle to campus. Drivers should follow directions to campus found on the enclosed travel sheet and, once on campus, signs to Case Center.

The following information is essential in planning your stay at Skidmore. This information can be found on the Jazz Institute website at: http://www.skidmore.edu/summerjazz/. Click on the link for Accepted Candidates Info. Unless requested, you will NOT receive this information by mail.

- Skidmore in the Summer (links to the Skidmore Summer Information Guide, map and travel directions)
- Health Form (REQUIRED FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS UNDER 18)
- Residence Hall Policy
- Charts offered as suggested study before arriving on campus

All participants should plan on bringing their own instruments, except pianos and vibes. Drummers, please bring your drums and any Latin percussion instruments you may own. Bass players are expected to bring their acoustic bass, bow, pickup and amp (including cords and extension cords). Guitar players should bring their guitar amp, cords and extension cords. **Drummers:** If you would like to ship your drums BEFORE arriving on campus please address them to: Wendy Kercull, Office of the Dean of Special Programs, Skidmore College, 815 N. Broadway, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. They will be secured in your rehearsal space for you to unpack and setup upon arrival.

While you are here
Jazz participants will live in Jonsson Tower (an air-conditioned dormitory) on the Skidmore campus.
**Linens are NOT provided.** You will need to pack all linens, towels, blankets for your two-week stay on campus. There are washing machines available in the basement of the dorm.

All classes, rehearsals, and concerts will be held in the Arthur Zankel Music Center. For more information on this state-of-the-art facility visit: [http://cms.skidmore.edu/zankel/index.cfm](http://cms.skidmore.edu/zankel/index.cfm).

While you are here we invite you to enjoy all our campus and community have to offer. The campus itself is situated on a 750-acre lot with paths for walking and hiking. The dining hall offers a balanced menu with ample vegetarian options. The Sports and Recreation Center’s pool, weight and training rooms, tennis courts and outdoor fields are also available for your personal use. The Tang Teaching Museum and Art Gallery specializes in cross-disciplinary approaches to a diverse range of subjects and houses the College’s Permanent Art Collection.

Students will perform Fridays, July 3rd and July 10th at 1 pm in the Helen Filene Ladd Concert Hall of the Arthur Zankel Music Center. Suggested concert dress for the student performances would be khakis and a collared shirt, for example, for the men, and slacks (or skirt) and dressy top or a dress for the women. Family and friends are welcome to attend. Look for forthcoming information on the performances being streamed live on the web. Participants are encouraged to depart after the final student performance July 10th but may stay on campus until Saturday morning. The last meal will be breakfast Saturday, July 11th; check out time is 11 am.

Please refer to our online [Summer Information Guide](http://www.skidmore.edu/summer/information/guide) for additional details about what is available on campus.