



Tbilisi State Academy of Arts

The **Tbilisi State Academy of Arts** was founded in 1922.

Ever since its foundation, the Tbilisi State Academy of Arts has been located on Aleksandre Griboyedov Street, in a building, that, from the architectural and artistic points of view, is considered as one of Tbilisi's most significant historic buildings.

This is a location where originally, in the middle of the nineteenth century, a palace with a church was built and laid out in the shape of the Greek capital letter pi ( $\Pi$ ). Its artistic appearance has an eclectic character - the Baroque style co-exists here with elements of late Classicist and late Iranian styles. The emphatically linear and typically European facade is adorned with moulded garlands, shells, masks, sculptured depictions of human heads and high brackets. The building's interior is especially interesting and valuable, and embodies the complete artistic repertoire of the late Iranian architectural style. The interiors of the halls are richly adorned with medallions containing Persian inscriptions, stucco ornaments on a glassy surface and stalactitic friezes. Here you can see the musharabieh openings, fireplace outlines, mural paintings introducing ornamental motifs from Eastern miniatures, etc. (See the academy's photos below).

**Tbilisi State Academy of Arts follows Bologna Process.**

**Currently, five faculties operate at the academy, those of Visual Art; Architecture; Restoration, Art History and Theory; Design; Media Art.**

**The total number of the staff employed by the academy is about 590.**

**The five faculties involve about 1750 students, introducing them professional studies and the three-stage system of higher education – Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral Degree levels in various directions.**

The original art education curricula are created on a basis of bridging rich traditions and contemporary approach. In order to achieve the goal of being relevant to modern time requirements, as well as, compatible with the common European space of higher art education, the academy's vector is directed towards strengthening of cooperation with the leading European and US higher art education institutions, restoration/conservation centers and foundations, comprehensive development of international exchange programs for sharing academic and creative experience, further collaboration with alumnus, involvement of students and graduates in various international, creative, interdisciplinary activities and multimedia exhibition shows, in the academic research projects, with the purpose of the academy's graduates to become skillful to work as independent creators and researchers.

The Tbilisi State Academy of Arts welcomes and appreciates each motivated young personality, who wishes to gain knowledge and experience, to study creative thinking. The academy's professors are successful artists, being involved in international projects, in education and research activities, and are exhibited in the galleries locally and internationally.

The galleries, the museum and the library operate at the academy. Various types of exhibitions, presentations, workshops and seminars are carried out in the venues in accordance with the gallery specifics.

The museum fund preserves about 3000 works of visual and applied arts, including the course and degree works of students from 1920s to the 1980s of XX century, later on the internationally recognized artists.

The academy's library book fund holds wide range of diverse contemporary art literature, and also, the remarkable rarity books, publications from the private libraries with signatures and ex-libris by renowned artists and academic authorities.

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## FACULTIES

### **Faculty of Visual Art**

Bachelor's Degree programs:

- Animation
- Book Design and Illustration
- Easel Graphics
- Easel Painting,
- Cinema-TV Arts,
- Poster Design
- Sculpture
- Theatre Arts

Master's Degree programs:

- Theatre Arts
- Painting,
- Advertising Graphics
- Sculpture
- Drawing
- Easel graphics

### **Faculty of Architecture**

Bachelor's Degree programs:

- Civil Architecture
- Environmental Design
- Interior Design

Master's Degree programs:

- Architectural Design of Color and Lighting
- Environmental Design
- Interior Design
- Landscape Architecture
- City Planning
- Civil Architecture
- Urban Architecture

PhD program:

- Architectural studies

## **Faculty of Restoration, Art History and Theory**

Bachelor's Degree programs:

- Restoration/conservation of architecture
- Restoration/conservation of fine art pieces
- Art History and Theory

Master's Degree programs:

- Restoration/conservation of architecture
- History of the new and recent Georgian art
- Restoration/conservation of fine art pieces (Restoration/conservation of Easel painting and icons)
- Restoration/conservation of fine art pieces (Conservation of wall painting and stone)
- Museology
- Medieval Georgian art history
- Contemporary culture studies
- Art, culture, identities
- Restoration/conservation of small size art pieces (archeological metal, glass, ceramics)

PhD program:

- Culture studies
- Art history studies
- Conservation and cultural heritage preservation

## **Faculty of Design**

Bachelor's Degree programs:

- Artistic Ceramics
- Artistic Glass
- Fashion Design
- Industrial Design
- Artistic Processing of Wood and Furniture Design
- Jewellery and Metal Decorative Plastics
- Textile Design

Master's Degree programs:

- Artistic Ceramics
- Artistic Glass
- Fashion Design
- Industrial Design
- Jewellery and Metal Decorative Plastics
- Textile Design
- Artistic Processing of Wood and Furniture Design

### **Faculty of Media Art**

Bachelor's Degree programs:

- Digital media
- Photography
- Graphic design

Master's Degree programs:

- Digital and geometric modeling
- Visual communication and advertising

PhD program:

- Digital and geometric modeling