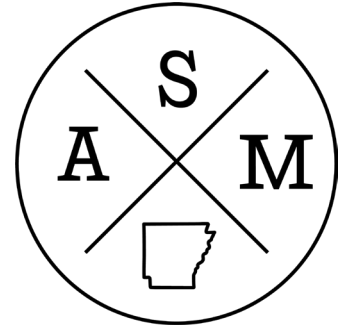


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Hello Youth and Kids Leaders!

“All In!” I shouted as I pushed all my chips to the center of the table. The friendly poker game (no money involved) with my parents and brothers had just escalated to another level. As a teenager, the idea of holding nothing back became the norm for me. At the end of my life, I want to have no energy left, no money left, and no strength left. I want to have spent all that I have. I want to challenge you in 2024 to go “all in” for the Kingdom of God within the church and community you serve.

As we look to 2024, there are some changes on the horizon in the area of youth and kids ministries. Thank you in advance for your patience as we navigate the uncharted waters of combining two departments. This is a move that will produce fruit for generations as we encourage greater teamwork between Youth and KidMin leaders. We are expecting greater synergy than ever before!

Look through the packet of information. All of this is available online as well. The graphics to help you advertise and promote your participation in the events are in the Google Drive. The link is on our website.

For several years in the Youth Department, we have focused on 3 year-round discipleship opportunities: Speed the Light, Fine Arts, and Youth Alive. Though we offer other standalone discipleship events, the greatest consistent impact we can make on the student is through those three experiences. A student who learns to share his/her faith, talents, and resources with others through the church learns to serve the Church like Jesus. This same three-fold approach will be integrated into the culture of our KidMin focus. We want kids to learn how to love missions through BGMC, explore the talents God has given them, and ultimately, learn how to reach their peers at an early age with the gospel.

If there's ever something that you're missing, please don't hesitate to reach out to me personally or to Missy at the office. My cell phone number is 479.857.5622. My email address is bandrews@araog.org and Missy's is mcleghorn@araog.org. You can reach either of us in the office at 501.455.5444.

Going *ALL IN*,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ben Andrews'.

Ben/mc

2024 District Student Ministries Department Calendar of Events

<u>Month/Day</u>	<u>Event/Deadline</u>	<u>Location/Place</u>
January		
4	ASC & ASDT App Postmark Deadline (download app)	araog.org/asym
10	FAF Deadline	ONLINE only
5 - 24	NextGen Missions Tour	Watch for specific tour info online
25	FAF Writing & Video Entry Deadline (email submission required)	
February		
2 & 3	Campus Missionary Retreat	Campgrounds
23 & 24	District Fine Arts Festival / ASC & ASDT try-outs	Little Rock - Statehouse Convention Ctr.
March		
7-9	Early Bedding Reservations for YOUTH Camp	ONLINE only
14-16	Early Bedding Reservations for KIDS Camp	ONLINE only
18-22	Spring Break	
28	YOUTH Camp Registration Forms / Volunteer App Deadline	
April		
4	KIDS Camp Registration Forms / Volunteer App Deadline	
26 & 27	ASC / ASDT Retreat	Campgrounds
May		
6 & 7	District Council	
May 29-June 1	YOUTH Camp 1 / Speaker: Eddie Nesby	Campgrounds
June		
3-7	YOUTH Camp 2 / Speaker: Christopher Reynolds	Campgrounds
10-14	YOUTH Camp 3 / Speaker: Jessica Bryan	Campgrounds
17-21	YOUTH Camp 4 / Speaker: Jamal Fletcher	Campgrounds
24-27	YOUTH Camp 5 / Speaker: Ethan Rosenbaum	Campgrounds
July		
1-5	KIDS Camp 6 / Speaker: Bill Harness	Campgrounds
6-9	KIDS Camp 7 / Speaker: Liz Hoffman	Campgrounds
7-14	ASC / ASDT Tour	
10-13	KIDS Camp 8 / Speaker: Liz Hoffman	Campgrounds
15-19	KIDS Camp 9 / Speaker: John McLennan	Campgrounds
20-27	AYM Mission Trip	TBD
22-26	KIDS Camp 10 / Speaker: David Alexieff	Campgrounds
August		
5-9	National Fine Arts Festival	Columbus, OH
16-18	C2M (Called to Ministry) Weekend	Campgrounds
31-Sept 2	PK Retreat	Campgrounds
September		
25	See You at the Pole	School campus
28	Fun Arts	TBD
October		
20	National STL Day	
25 & 26	NextGen Leaders Retreat	Little Rock
November		
22 & 23	Breakaway Conference	hosted by McArthur Church

This is a working calendar, subject to change. Please watch for up-to-date information on a regular basis.

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2024 New Arkansas & Nat'l FAF Info

Arkansas FAF – The location for the 2024 Arkansas Fine Arts Festival is The Statehouse Convention Center - 101 E. Markham St., Little Rock, AR 72201

Dates: February 23 & 24, 2024

Housing: A group block is available at Little Rock Marriott at araog.org/faf.

Rule Book: The 2024 Rule Book is available online at araog.org/faf.

Registration: All registrations for Fine Arts have been moved online through Brushfire. The link is available at araog.org/faf.

Registration Information for Participants

- Fine Arts participants must be enrolled in grades 6-12 or be 12-17 years of age as of September 1, 2023. Those who graduated in 2023 or before are not eligible.
- FAF app fee of \$65 includes 1 category and Friday night meal with an additional fee of \$10 per add on category. Saturday lunch will be on your own (per church group).
- **The online registration deadline for FAF is January 10 at 11:59 PM (CST).** No registrations will be accepted after January 10. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** *If any changes or modifications need to be made to an online registration, there will be a fee charged.*

Writing, Video & Art Category Deadlines

- All **writing entries must be emailed and received** in the Student Ministries Dept. **no later than January 25.** Send all written entries to studentmin@araog.org. *Please note there is a change in how writing entries must be submitted as of 2024. (Pg. 86 for complete details, NFAF Rule Book)*
- All video entries must be submitted no later than January 25. Please upload the video to the platform of your choice and email the link to studentmin@araog.org.
- All art entries must be taken with you to FAF and checked-in at the art room – no later than 2:30 PM on Friday, February 23.

National FAF

The location for the 2024 National Fine Arts Festival is Columbus, OH.

Dates: August 5 – August 9, 2024

Website: youthconference.ag.org

See NFAF Rule Book for complete detailed information.

Rule Book Information

There is NEW information for 2024 (pg. 8) and multiple rule changes in several categories. Make sure to review the NFAF Rule Book for ANY changes. *Arkansas Fine Arts follows the rules of National Fine Arts to keep continuity within the festivals. The Rule Book is available at www.araog.org/faf.

***For Arkansas FAF ONLY regarding Piano Solo and Piano Solo, Classical:** In lieu of a standard acoustic piano, only a Roland RD-2000 Electric Piano will be provided this year.

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23-24

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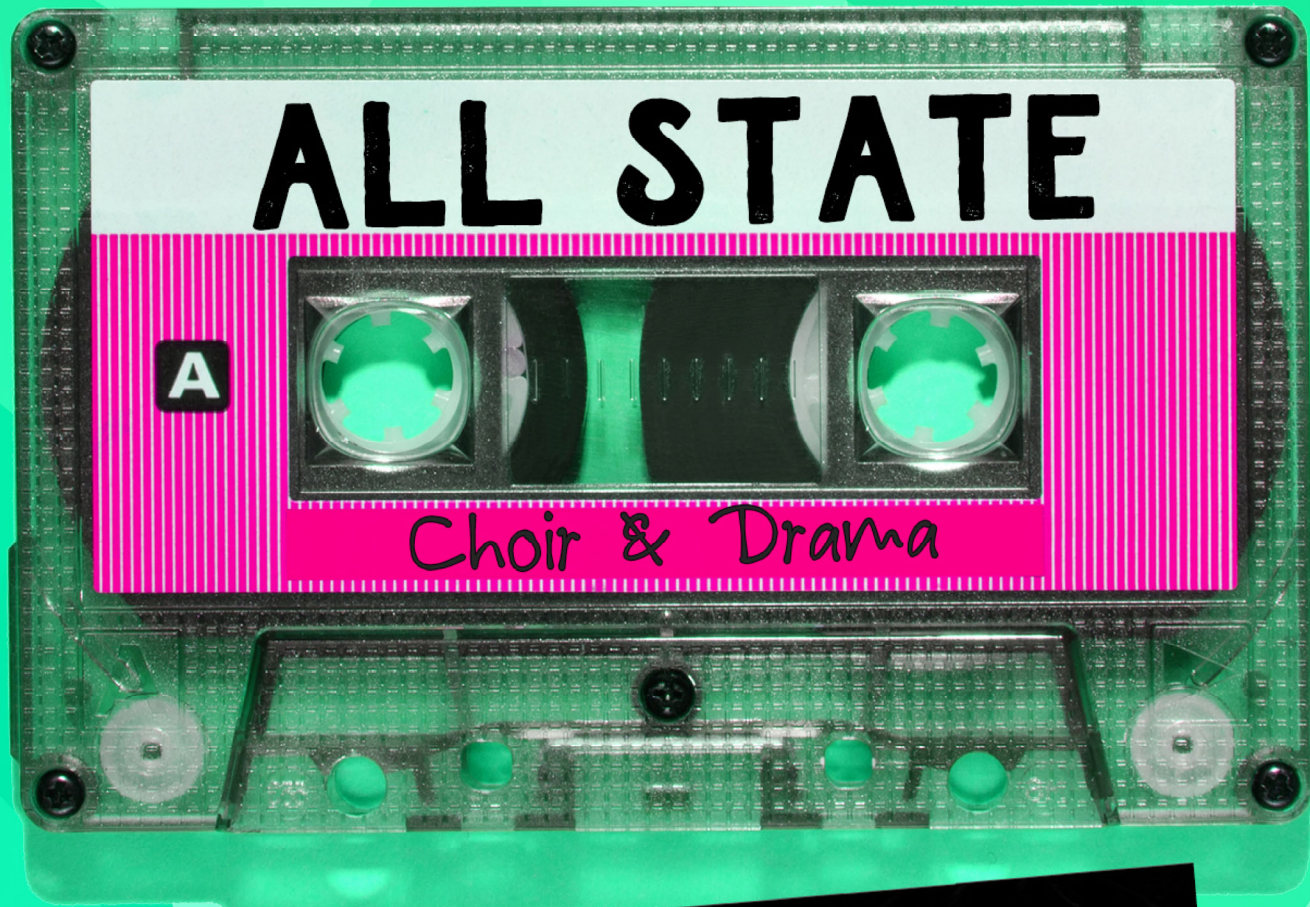
FINE ARTS Festival

STATEHOUSE CONVENTION CENTER



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2024 Arkansas Youth Ministries



JULY 7 - 14
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2024

YOUTH CAMPS



YOUTH CAMP 1
MAY 29 - JUNE 1
EDDIE NESBY



YOUTH CAMP 3
JUNE 10 -14
JESSICA BRYAN



YOUTH CAMP 5
JUNE 24 - 27
ETHAN ROSENBAUM



YOUTH CAMP 2
JUNE 3 - 7
CHRISTOPHER REYNOLDS



YOUTH CAMP 4
JUNE 17 - 21
JAMAL FLETCHER

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KIDS CAMPS



KIDS CAMP 1
JULY 1 - 5
BILL HARNESS

KIDS CAMP 2
JULY 6 - 9
LIZ HOFFMAN



KIDS CAMP 3
JULY 10 - 13
LIZ HOFFMAN



KIDS CAMP 4
JULY 15 - 19
JOHN MCLENNAN



KIDS CAMP 5
JULY 22 - 26
DAVID ALEXIEFF

— CALLED TO MINISTRY —

C2M

WEEKEND

AUGUST 16-18 // **SPEAKER: STEVE SVOBODA**

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KIDS

FINE ARTS Festival

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RETREAT



OCT 25-26

PETER & JOANNA REEVES

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