



Year 1 Direct School Admission (DSA-Sec)

Visual Arts

The Performing Arts & Visual Arts domain comprises the following talent areas:

- 1) Chinese Orchestra
- 2) Choir
- 3) Concert Band
- 4) String Ensemble
- 5) Music
- 6) Visual Arts

Applicants should apply for **ONLY ONE** talent area from the Performing Arts & Visual Arts domain. Applying to multiple talent areas within the Performing Arts & Visual Arts domain may **void your DSA-Sec application**. Appeals or changes will not be permitted.

RI Visual Arts Selection Criteria

- ▶ Applicants should demonstrate not only strong technical ability, but also curiosity, originality of thought, and the capacity to observe, interpret and communicate ideas meaningfully through visual forms.

Commitment Requirement

- ▶ Successful applicants for the Visual Arts talent area will be required to take up the Raffles Institution Art Elective Programme (RI-AEP) where they will develop as independent learners, engage in interdisciplinary practices, and contribute meaningfully to contemporary visual culture.

2026 Schedule (For Visual Arts)

MOE DSA-Sec application period starts	06 May (Wed) 11:00
MOE DSA-Sec application period ends	02 Jun (Tue) 16:30
Submission of Portfolio via the provided link (see <i>Submission Guidelines</i> below) Note: Applicable to ALL DSA- Sec Visual Arts applicants	03 Jun (Wed) 09:00 - 19 Jun (Fri) 09:00
Announcement of Shortlisted Applicants for the DSA Visual Arts Selection Test and Interview (All applicants, including unsuccessful ones will be notified) Note: Details of selection test will be shared with shortlisted applicants only.	08 Jul (Wed), 18:00
DSA Visual Arts Selection Test and Interview (for shortlisted applicants only)	10 Jul (Fri)



Announcement of the DSA-Sec Results (CO/WL/UNS)	between 17 Aug (Mon) & 28 Aug (Thu)
**Kindly note the dates for Visual Arts selection test and interview on your calendar to ensure availability and prevent any scheduling conflicts during the selection process.	

Visual Arts Portfolio Requirements

- ▶ The portfolio should reflect both range and depth, showcasing not only resolved works but also the applicant's process, experimentation, and self-initiated explorations. including detailed drawing(s), painting(s) and any other chosen mediums (e.g. sculpture, photography, digital illustration, animation etc.) across 4 pages.

Submission Guidelines

- ▶ Save all submission files in PDF format and using the following filename format:
<Name>_DSA VA Portfolio
- ▶ Upload your DSA Visual Arts Portfolio via this link [2026 RI DSA-Sec Submission of Visual Arts Portfolio](#)
- ▶ Submission starts on **03 Jun 2026 (Wed), 09:00** and the submission deadline is on **19 Jun (Fri), 09:00**.
- ▶ Late submissions and appeals will not be considered.

Important Notes

- ▶ The primary mode of communication is via email. Parents/guardians are reminded to **regularly check both the inbox and junk/spam folders of the email address** provided in the MOE DSA-Sec Portal throughout the DSA period for important updates, announcements, and instructions.
- ▶ We will not disclose detailed results of the DSA-Sec selection process or interviews and reserve the right to refrain from discussing or disclosing reasons for non-selection.
- ▶ Meeting all criteria does not guarantee the student will be shortlisted or given an offer.
- ▶ For any further enquiries, please email admissions@ri.edu.sg.