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## Welcome back, Gusties



Gusties start the 2021-22 school year masking in style

Isaac Bui

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Campus Safety Report

- Friday, September 3, 2021**
- Campus Safety was notified of a Fire Alarm in Southwest hall.
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- Saturday, September 4, 2021**
- Campus Safety responded to a medical assist in the Jackson Campus Center. Student was transported to hospital by ambulance
- Sunday, September 5, 2021**
- Campus Safety took a report of a theft from the International Center area. Note: Case dispositions are available online by viewing the daily crime log on the Campus Safety web

page: <https://gustavus.edu/safety/incidents/index.php>

Tip of the Week:

Run, Hide, Fight...Do you know what it means?

Run, Hide, Fight, is a national campaign that Gustavus uses in providing notification during an active threat situation on campus. Basically the run part

is that your first option is to get away, get as far away from the threat as you can. Second, if you can't, then you hide. You barricade yourself wherever you are. You often see the words shelter in place, when it comes to the hide element. You shelter in place to try and keep yourself away from that threat. The last is if you just have no other option, that you can use your mental and physical capacities to defend yourself. That as a

last resort to save your life, there may be a need to fight.

For more information about using Run, Hide, Fight in an active threat situation, watch the short video posted on the Campus Safety website in the right hand toolbar under "Safety Training Videos."

What Should I do about COVID-19?



	Not Vaccinated	Vaccinated
If You Have Tested <b>Positive</b> for COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Go into isolation for 10 days</li><li>• Complete the Gustavus Self Reporting Form</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Go into isolation for 10 days</li><li>• Complete the Gustavus Self Reporting Form</li></ul>
If You Have <b>Symptoms</b> of COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Get tested immediately</li><li>• Go into Isolation</li><li>• Complete the Gustavus Self Reporting Form</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Get tested immediately</li><li>• Limit close contacts</li><li>• Wear a mask</li><li>• Complete the Gustavus Self Reporting Form</li></ul>
If You Have Been <b>Exposed</b> to COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Get tested immediately and 5-7 days after exposure</li><li>• Go into quarantine for up to 14 days</li><li>• Complete the Gustavus Self Reporting Form</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Get tested 3-5 days after exposure</li><li>• Wear a mask for 14 days</li><li>• Monitor for symptoms</li><li>• Limit close contacts</li><li>• Complete the Gustavus Self Reporting Form</li></ul>

COVID-19 Updated guidelines for the 2021-22 school year.

Submitted

**Daily Sabbath Calendar**

Open Space- Tuesdays (Christ Chapel)  
Come to Christ Chapel for an unstructured time of prayer, meditation, reflection, or rest. Light a candle for the healing of the world.

Morning Praise- Wednesdays (Christ Chapel)  
Join together with Gustavus Choirs to sing the Morning Praise liturgy. Coffee and pastries await you at the end of the service. Morning Praise is also live streamed on the Chaplains Office Youtube Page.

Holy Communion- Thursdays (Christ Chapel)

**September 8th, 2021**

- Jewish New Year Observance

**September 9th, 2021**

- Holy Communion

**September 10th, 2021**

- Hymn Sing with Gustavus Wind



# Student Senate encourages use of loaner laptop programs



*Gusties start the school year off right by using their laptops.*

Isaac Bui

**Carter Brown**  
Staff Writer

Last spring semester the Gustavus Student Senate released a new initiative known as the “Laptop Loaner” program. This program, sponsored by the Student Senate, is a way that students can have access to technology on campus for their needs. This comes in light of the transitions most classes have been making to an online format as a response to Covid-19 and the implementation of new regulations that come with it.

Student Senate co-presidents Ben Menke and Regina Olono explain this program that was worked on in conjunction with Student Senate Technology Chair Abbie Doran.

“Because of Covid we no-

ticed students weren’t able to meet their needs during this online period, so we started this program so everyone could have access to the technology that they need for school,” Olono said.

“Right now, you can check a laptop out for two weeks at a time and renew your rental period for another two weeks, however this is temporary, and we are hoping to make it a permanent initiative so that you can check it out for as long as a semester,” Olono said.

“With online learning becoming more common and important, we’re happy to offer this service for students. We have other services too. Besides the laptop program, we support many other projects. Just to name a few, the Gus Bus, the new compost bins, and new water fountains in residential

halls are all funded by Student Senate,” Menke said.

This program is completely free for students to use. According to Doran, Gustavus Technology Services (GTS) “covers wear and tear issues or damage, especially as the laptop grows older. The only charges a student might see would come from clearly student inflicted damage, such as water damage or screen damage – but a missing keycap or an old burnt-out battery wouldn’t warrant any charges,” Doran said.

In addition to this, while the loan periods are only two weeks at a time the plan is to make them more convenient in the long-run, with the basis being centered around student needs.

“The loan periods for the program are meant to be flexible, so you can rent it for a few days while yours is being

fixed by GTS, or you can rent it for the whole semester if you don’t have a functional laptop to use and you haven’t saved up enough to buy a new one yet. It really just depends on what you need as a student at that time,” Doran said.

“If students have any issues with tech on campus reach out to the tech helpline at GTS and they will help you with any issues you have with tech on campus,” Doran said.

It was also noted, however, that students who either do not have access to on campus technology resources such as computer labs or are in quarantine do have highest priority. The remaining loaner laptops will be rented out on a first come first serve basis.

You can grab a loaner laptop yourself if you are ever in need of one, by either contact the GTS

technology helpline by either emailing [helpline@gustavus.edu](mailto:helpline@gustavus.edu) or by calling (507)-933-6111. Students may also fill out a technology request form at [gustavus.edu/tech](http://gustavus.edu/tech) request or stop by the GTS office, which is located on the first floor of Olin hall for assistance with the program. To complete the loan, students must also sign a waiver that acknowledges that if there is any significant damage caused by the student or it is lost, the student is responsible for replacement costs.

If you have any other questions, please contact either Technology Chair Abbie Doran ([adoran@gustavus.edu](mailto:adoran@gustavus.edu)), the GTS helpline, or Student Senate co-presidents Ben Menke ([bmenke@gustavus.edu](mailto:bmenke@gustavus.edu)) and Regina Olono ([rolonovi@gustavus.edu](mailto:rolonovi@gustavus.edu)).



# Gustavus Sustainability: Compost Bins



Composting bins are located in on campus housing and outside of dorm buildings.

Isaac Bui

**Emma Pufahl**  
Staff Writer

This school year a compost bucket has been added to student dorm rooms. Working towards Gustavus' sustainability goal of ninety percent of solid waste being properly recycled or composted by 2024, these compost bins help Gustavus work towards becoming a zero waste campus.

Long in the works, this initiative is the culmination of many Gusties. This mini compost bin is no small feat, it has taken a long time. There is a large time commitment in creating these changes. During his Fall 2021 Environmental Studies Seminar, Jeff Jeremiason, Chemistry Professor and Chair of Environmental Studies touched on campus composting. "It's amazing how many hours have been spent on trying to implement composting [and its infrastructure]," Jeremiason said.

In December of 2020, Kari Wallin became Gustavus' new

'Compost, Waste, and Environmental Sustainability Manager.'

Wallin was hired to help streamline this process with other members of the President's Environmental Sustainability Council (PESC). The mini compost buckets are one of the ways this group has been able to successfully move Gusties towards zero-waste.

"We're trying to make it as easy as we can. With the yellow kirbies having been already operational was good. Now we are hoping for an increase," Wallin said. Students have been given the medium to collect food waste before transferring it to the Caf or yellow kirbies, the hope is for more food waste to be diverted from normal garbage waste and landfills to industrial compost sites that will allow for food scraps to transform into nutrient rich soil.

The mini compost bin food waste build up is meant to be transferred to the large yellow kirbies outside each residential building and many academic

buildings. The collected food waste is then either brought to our campus composter and later used at Big Hill Farm or to a larger composting facility in St. Peter.

The food waste is saved from a landfill and brought to a composter to be reused as nutrient rich soil, some of which is being used to grow food here on campus. Senior Sustainability Intern Audrey Ochtrup-DeKeyrel worked on Big Hill Farm this past summer and was involved with the composting initiative.

"Composting is really exciting for Big Hill Farm because all the compost from the Caf comes back to the farm, it's almost cyclical," Ochtrup-DeKeyrel said.

In essence, if you leave a carrot that was grown at Big Hill Farm on your plate and place it on the conveyor in the Caf, it may return to the same place it came from as compost to grow more carrots in the future.

The plan for these bins is to create a systemic change in how the campus deal with sorting

waste on campus.

"If we can build composting infrastructure and understanding and behavior change into life here, living on campus, we can see changes in those numbers for composting and recycling go way up and our [landfill] waste go way down," Wallin said.

The Council expressed that this process is expected to be a learning curve. Campus still have a long way to go before we can get to ninety percent of solid waste being diverted successfully to be recycled or composted.

Nobody is expecting large changes in waste management overnight. It is the hope Gusties can use these bins as a stepping stone towards being more knowledgeable with waste sorting. Veteran composters will use these mini compost bins as a way to continue or enhance their composting and waste sorting routines. Newbies will learn and implement waste management they have never

experienced before. A pillar of sustainability is ensuring Campus waste is sorted properly and doesn't all go to the landfill.

Wallin reports that the 950 compost bins spread across campus leaves the campus in gratitude of numerous faculty, staff, and students of both past and present.

"We are really thankful for Building Services, Dining Services, Physical Plant, and the student interns. They all have been really amazing and done a lot of work to get it here" Ochtrup-DeKeyrel said.

The Bookmark has joined in support by providing compostable bags and carbon filters for sale, to help minimize mess and smells, with a pack of ten compostable bags or a carbon filter each sold separately for \$2.

If you would like more information or any questions, you can contact Kari Wallin at (kariwallin@gustavus.edu).



## FEATURES

# - Meet the Weekly -



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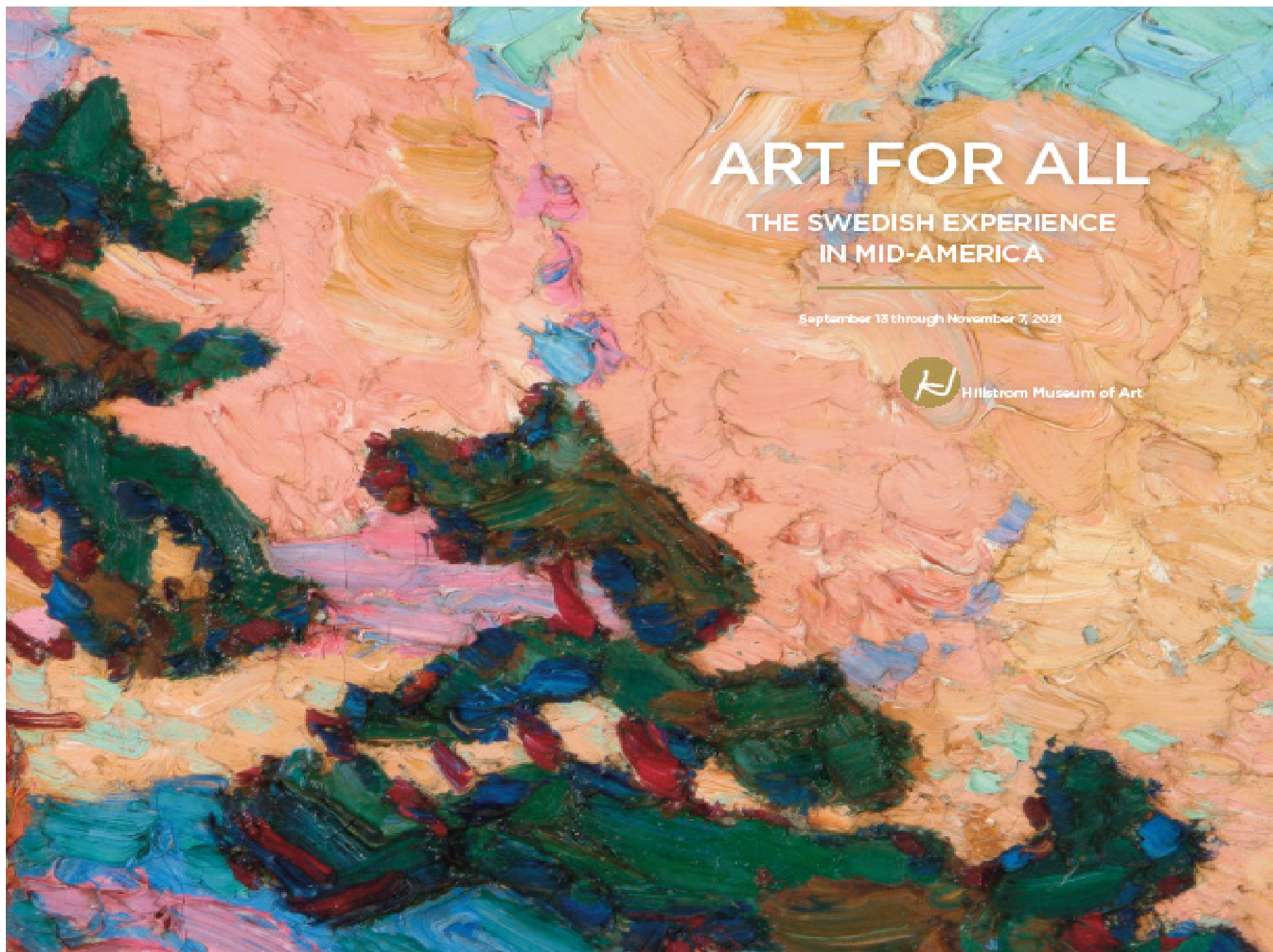
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# Hillstrom Museum Celebrates Swedish- American Artists



Display piece from Swedish exhibit

Submitted



**Emily VanGorder**  
Editor in Chief

The Hillstrom Museum of Art is presenting "Art for All: The Swedish Experience in Mid-America", a new exhibit presenting the works of Swedish-American artists. The exhibition will be available from September 13 to November 17. The exhibit was co-organized with the Birger Sandzén Memorial

Gallery in Lindsborg, Kansas which is associated with Bethany College. The exhibit features around 60 paintings, drawings, and prints from the Birger Sandzén Memorial Gallery and the Hillstrom Museum of Art. It includes the works of 20 well-known Swedish-American artists active in the late 19th to early 20th century.

"In Sweden, around the time these artists were getting ready to leave, there was a popularizing movement about the idea of art being for everyone... It's this Democratic ideal that the Swedes bring with them to America, and it works well in the U.S.," Director of the Hillstrom Museum of Art, Don Myers said.

The term 'art for all' comes from Swedish-American artists who wanted to make art more accessible. The Konst-

närsförbundet, (the Artists League) in Stockholm was created in response to the more traditional values and attitudes towards art held by the Swedish Royal Academy.

Birger Sandzén was one of these artists, who notably sold inexpensive prints of his paintings, which allowed those from poorer financial backgrounds to purchase and appreciate art. Sandzen's pieces were one of the first collected by Richard L. Hillstrom, the namesake of the Hillstrom Museum of Art. Hillstrom graduated from Gustavus in 1938, and was invested in his Swedish heritage.

"It's exciting to see more works by that artist, but it's also exciting for me to have a chance to show off the Swedish-American things in our collection. The Swedish roots of Gustavus are long and dearly

held, and I think there's been a reinvigoration of that in the last couple decades... It's exciting to be able to connect with that very fundamental part of the college's roots" Myers said.

Sandzén has a more personal connection to Gustavus. A Swedish friend of his was a teacher at Gustavus, and came to visit. Gustavus offered Sandzén a position as an art professor. According to letters he wrote, Sandzén was going to leave his post at Bethany College and teach at Gustavus. It is unknown why he remained at Bethany, but it may have been due to rumors about Gustavus moving campus to the Twin Cities.

However, the woman who founded the art department at Gustavus, Lorena Daeschner Hall, went to Bethany College and studied under San-

dzén. In addition to the exhibit, the museum is displaying the one painting of Hall's it owns.

"The museum is open pretty liberal hours and it's here for you all. Students are our primary focus, and it's so easy to nip into the museum for just a couple minutes... for me, art can be a real tonic... I hope students realize that this is a resource and a pleasure that is here for you. If I do say so myself, I think it's a pretty cool place" Myers said.

The Hillstrom Museum of Art is open Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and weekends from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. All exhibitions are free and open to the public. COVID restrictions are currently being enforced at Gustavus, and masks are required to be worn at all times while indoors.



Do you have a suggestion for a Gustavus student,  
professor, or staff member who could be our next  
Gustie of the Week?



If so, send their name, position on campus, and a short description of why you think they should be recognized to  
**weekly@gustavus.edu**  
for a chance to be featured!

A representative from the Gustavian Weekly will be in contact with you via email if your suggestion is chosen to be featured in an issue of the paper.



# Art and Music Classes Return to In-Person Learning



**Emily VanGorder**  
*Editor in Chief*

Most art classes at Gustavus are once again being held in-person. Currently there is no social distancing requirement in effect on campus, though all students, faculty and staff are required to wear masks indoors until September 20. Contact tracing is still being used to identify and follow any COVID-19 cases on campus. Last year students had to sign up to use studio spaces in accordance with social distancing mandates.



*Variety art from last year*

Cadence Paramore



*Students practice in Beck Atrium*

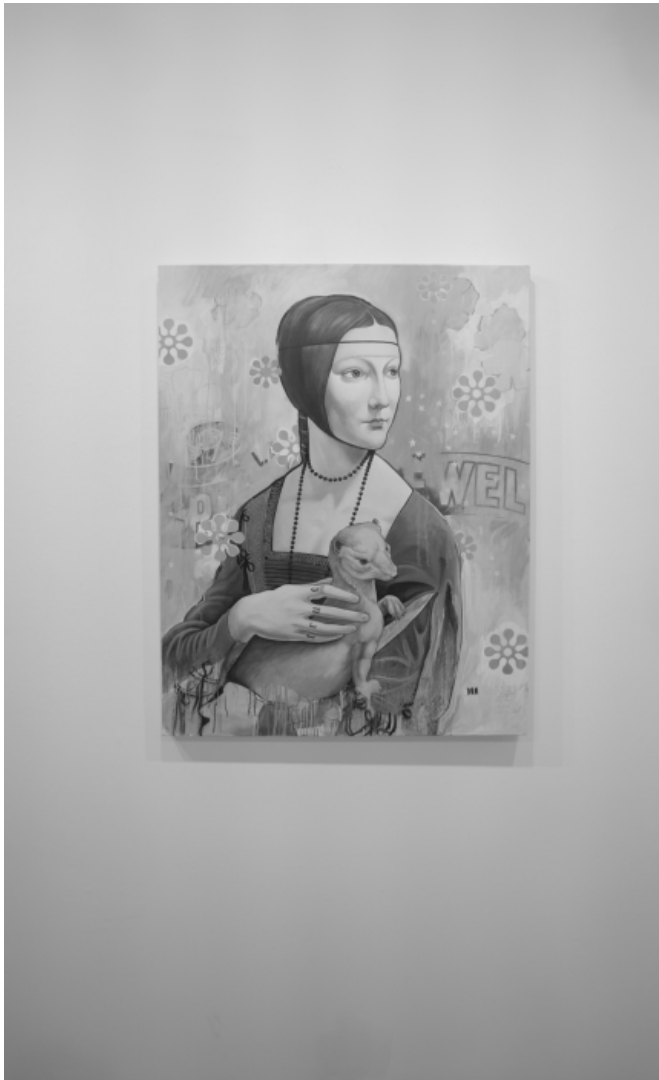
Gracie Jackson

Last year, all music practices, rehearsals and performances were held with social distancing and masking in mind. Students wore special masks that allowed them to play their instruments without breathing on others. Each musician had an assigned spot to play their instrument. Virtual concerts were created by digitally overlapping pieces that students had earlier played and recorded. Now that students no longer have to socially distance, music classes at Gustavus are slowly returning to normal.



*Choir class last year*

Gracie Jackson



Nate Habben



Nate Habben