**THURSDAY AUG. 29** | **ACTIVITY**
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10:00 am – 12:00 pm | Sign-in at Residence Hall  
Secure IDs & residence hall keys  
Skidmore Shop is open 9:00am – 4:00pm (buy your books early)
9:00 am – 1:00 pm | Information Walkway – Case Center  
Representatives on hand from various Student Services Offices
11:00 am – 12:45 pm | Lunch at the Murray Aikins Dining Hall 🍽️
12:45 pm | Meet Peer Advisors under Case Walkway & Walk to Janet Kinghorn Bernhard Theater  
**BE ON TIME!!**
1:00 – 3:30 pm | WELCOME, INTROS, GROUP THEATER EXERCISES – with Theater Faculty member Marie Glotzbach & Peer Advisors – JKB Mainstage Theater
1:00 pm – 3:30 pm | Parent Orientation – The Arthur Zankel Music Center
3:45 pm – 4:30 pm | Introduction to Theater Pre-Orientation Weekend – JKB Mainstage Theater  
Gary Wilson, Artistic Director and Artist in Residence, will lead a discussion about Skidmore Theater – our mission, our vision, and your learning experience.
4:30 pm – 5:00 pm | TOUR OF THE JKB THEATER with Gary Wilson, Technical Director/Artist in Residence Jared Klein, and Peer Advisors. Meet in the Theater Lobby.
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm | President’s Reception for Parents of New Students
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm | All parents depart campus at 5:00 pm  
Pre-Or students have dinner in the Dining Hall 🍽️
6:30 pm – 8 pm | DESIGN / TECH WORKSHOP – Meet in Design Studio  
Gary Wilson, Jared Klein, and Asst. Technical Director James Varkala will lead an interactive design & tech workshop and info session (aka Tech Olympics!).
8 pm – 9 pm | AUDITION WORKSHOP – Black Box Theater  
Theater Faculty and Peer Advisors will explain the audition process at Skidmore and offer valuable audition advice. Actors should feel free to bring a memorized, contemporary, 1-2 minute monologue. Participants will be given the opportunity to volunteer to present their monologues.

**FRIDAY AUG. 30** | **ACTIVITY**
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7:00 am – 9:00 am | Breakfast at the Dining Hall 🍽️
9:30 am – 11:00 am | THE HOUR WE KNEW NOTHING OF EACH OTHER PANEL – JKB Mainstage Theater  
Perspectives and open discussion on our Fall Mainstage production, Peter Handke’s THE HOUR WE KNEW NOTHING OF EACH OTHER, which will be guest directed by Phil Soltanoff. This session will be led along with other faculty and staff collaborators.
*15 minute Cookie break at 11am!*
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<td>1:00 pm – 2:00 pm</td>
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<td><strong>THE HARVEST PANEL – JKB Mainstage Theater</strong>&lt;br&gt;Perspectives and open discussion on our Fall Black Box production, Samuel D. Hunter’s <em>THE HARVEST</em>, with resident director John Michael DiResta, and other faculty and staff collaborators.&lt;br&gt;<em>Please read THE HARVEST over the summer! A copy will be provided to you by the Lead Peer Advisors.</em></td>
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<td><strong>EXPLORING THE HARVEST</strong>&lt;br&gt;Group projects, scenes, and presentations about our Fall Black Box production led by theater faculty.</td>
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<td>5:15 – 6:15 pm</td>
<td><strong>THEATER COMPANY MEETING – JKB Mainstage Theater</strong>&lt;br&gt;An introduction to the Theater Department’s weekly Company meeting, including a brief Peer Mentor program announcement</td>
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<td><strong>THEATER PRE-ORIENTATION BBQ + LAWN GAMES</strong>&lt;br&gt;Faculty and students will gather near the Theater loading dock and adjacent green to enjoy food, games, and socializing</td>
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<td><strong>Pre-Orientation Outdoor Movie Night – outside the TANG</strong>&lt;br&gt;Meet other first-year-students on other Pre-Orientation Programs</td>
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<td>A preview of Shakespeare &amp; Co.’s production of <em>THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR</em> by Theater Professor Lary Opitz – <strong>JKB Mainstage Theater</strong></td>
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<td>2:00 pm</td>
<td><strong>BUS TRIP TO SHAKES &amp; CO. in Lenox, Mass.</strong>&lt;br&gt;(We will be boarding the Upstate Tour bus in the Zankel parking lot)&lt;br&gt;Peer advisors will be joining us. MEALS will be provided for all.&lt;br&gt;The play we will be seeing is Shakespeare’s <em>THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR.</em></td>
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<td>Pre-show talk with Shakespeare &amp; Co. production cast or director.</td>
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<td>Production at Shakespeare &amp; Co., Lenox, Mass: <strong>THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR</strong></td>
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<td>7:30 pm – 9:00 pm</td>
<td>Bus trip back to Saratoga Springs from Lenox, Mass</td>
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<td>9:00 pm – 11:00 pm</td>
<td><strong>EXPLORATION SARATOGA SPRINGS</strong>&lt;br&gt;The Peer Advisors will bring the group downtown to explore the City of Saratoga Springs!</td>
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**Skidmore Theater Faculty & Staff**

Theater Department Chair: Grace Burton
Theater Department Artistic Director / Artist-in-Residence: Garret E. Wilson
Professors: Gautam Dasgupta, Lary Opitz
Associate Professor: Lisa Jackson-Schebetta
Assistant Professor: Eunice Ferreira
Senior Artist-in-Residence: Kate Kelly Bouchard
Artists-in-Residence: John Michael DiResta, Jared Klein
Technical Director: Jared Klein
Assistant Technical Director: James Varkala
Costume Director: Patricia Pawliczak
Lecturers: Marie Glotzbach, Julia May Jonas, Sue Kessler, Barbara Opitz, Patricia Pawliczak, Yvonne Perry
Technical Assistant: Jessica Thomas
Theater Department Administrator: Suzanne Golub

**2019 Pre Orientation Peer Advisors**
Becca Schilsky (Lead PA)
Audrey Erickson
Max Losardo
Eve Gertzman
Jessie March
Emily Hardy
Spencer Evett
Emily Zeller
Jonah Harrison