

The Granville Gossip

Art Careers

By **TRESSA BURCH**

Being an artist happens to be a big dream for many creative people who enjoy it.

As attractive as it may seem, pursuing an art career for your living isn't as easy as one might think.

On one hand, it's almost as if you're not working a day in your life, doing something you love.

Yet, on the other hand, art is commonly known for not being a well-paying profession, depending on which field you specialize in.

These aren't the only positives or negatives of pursuing this career, though. There's much more you need to know before making a concrete decision.

Through art schools, you can take advantage of a vast variety of experiences in the field.

For example, aspiring artists can dip their toes in a multitude of forms of art, before making a set decision on what specific aspect they'd like to specialize in. Art school can bring people together, too.

Attending schools with diverse people who have similar interests and goals as you can bring forth new connections as artists.

This can even develop into strong, everlasting friendships. These types of schools also bring forth the benefit of meeting suc-

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Gypsy, by Fleetwood Mac

By **JORDAN CHADWICK**

Fleetwood Mac is a British rock band that was formed in London in 1967. Their album, Rumors, won a Grammy for album of the year when it was released in 1977. The best selling song on this album was "Dreams", which is my second favorite song on the album next to "Gypsy". "Dreams" sold more than 25 million copies and stayed atop the charts for 31 weeks.

Fleetwood Mac was founded by Peter Green, Mick Fleetwood, and Jeremy Spencer.

The psychological experience of listening to "Gypsy" is that it gives a huge boost. It's a positive and upbeat song, one that can take you out of any bad mood. The basis of the song is centered around never letting go of the things you love. It gives you a feeling of nostalgia due to the fact that it was produced so long ago.

Many literary elements were used in the making of this song. For example, repetition is used all throughout "Gypsy". Specifically, "Lighting strikes, maybe once, maybe twice". This is serving a purpose to highlight the idea that you only will have 1 or 2 great friends in your life. This is such a positive outlook on life in the sense that these 1 or 2 friends will change your life for the better and that you should never let them go.

Listening to music plays an important role in a person's mood, mind, and behaviors. Additionally, it was found that most types of music increase memory and retention capabilities.

It also helps aid in learning and good mental stability. Depending on the type of music, songs can have different effects on your mind and body. A song like "Gypsy" will most likely calm someone down and ease their mind, whereas a heavy metal song produced by a band

such as Iron Maiden might trigger aggression or angst.

The song "Gypsy" is by far my favorite Fleetwood Mac song. It gives listeners a glimpse of what it was like to live in the 1980's.

I love the beat and how soft it sounds when you listen to it. Nowadays, I find that music is often too edited and sounds more technical than musical. This band created the exact opposite type of music.

This is why I gravitated towards this band. This song is perfect for shopping in a store or doing your homework. It's relaxing and really makes you think about how good life can be and how important it is to appreciate the friends and memories you have with them.

Starships

By **ANONYMOUS**

If dreams were made of star shards
And oceans of the skies
We would all be pirates
With the cosmos 'hind our eyes.

Our arms replaced with feathers
Above the clouds we'd soar
We'd gather all the hopes
And make it rain once more!

Humans chase their sunsets
And for wonders, travel far.
But they'll need ships of dreams-
If they're to search the stars.

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Russell Sage or SUNY Plattsburgh

By **CATHERINE GOULD**

Finding the right school to spend the next 4 years at can be difficult. There are many aspects that come into play. Factors such as location, cost, academics, class size, and extracurricular activities help determine which college to attend. Russell Sage and SUNY Plattsburgh are just two of the thousands of colleges across the country. Although both of these

schools have some similarities, they also have their own unique qualities.

Russell Sage is a private, undergraduate and graduate college with locations in both Troy and Albany, New York. Although Sage is small, they have a lot to offer when it comes to both academics and extracurricular activities. With twenty-one Division III sports and over sixty different clubs, there's something for everyone. Field hockey, tennis, cross country,

and lacrosse are just a few of the many sports offered at Sage. Extras such as democracy club, sustainable club, and dance ensemble are also offered at Sage. Along with the many sports and clubs at Sage, there are also many majors and minors. Criminal justice, nursing, sociology, and childhood education are just a few of the many undergrad majors offered at Russell Sage. Russell Sage also offers masters degrees in business administration, occupational therapy, and nutrition, to name a few. Russell Sage accepts about 74% of those who apply and roughly 62% percent graduate. Tuition for Russell Sage is \$32,000 however Russell Sage offers many scholarships. Sage awards about \$19 million worth of financial assistance. Additionally, when students apply to Sage they automatically receive a scholarship ranging from \$15,000 to \$21,000. Although

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Harvard University or Yale University

By **MATTHEW FISHER**

We have all heard about Yale and Harvard University right, but do you really know a lot about them?

They are both part of an elite group of Ivy League schools. Both are located in the U.S. and are ranked in the top ten in the world for subject strength. The pair of universities offer degrees leveling from an Associate degree all the way to a

Doctoral degree or PhD. Like one and the other they both cost a lot of money and are private universities. Before applying to either college you should know about each college.

Harvard was founded in the year of 1636 in the town of Cambridge, Massachusetts. It is a fairly large private university. Having as many as 20,000 to 23,000 students at any time.

In the years of 2017-2018 the average cost of attendance is roughly 63,000 dollars per year. This university does offer only need-based financial aid for people depending on your family's income, assets, and your ability to contribute. Currently only 55% of students are receiving financial aid. The university offers a range of majors in sciences such as physical, biological, and social sciences. They also offer extracurricular activities such as varsity sports like golf, club sports like boxing, clubs like drama, and ROTC. Also, offering majors in history, math, and law. Finding housing is not a problem because the university does offer housing for students. However, in 2017 only 5.2% of applicants were accepted by Harvard. To get into Harvard it is recommended to get high grades in high schools, high SAT scores and participate in extracurricular activities.

Yale was founded in the year 1701 in

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Gun safety issues, Vermont vs. other states

By **GABRIEL ST. MARTIN**

With support for constitutional carry increasing daily is it truly effective? While many people are avid opponents of permit-less carry the statistics prove otherwise.

Vermont is a good baseline to use when comparing other states to a state that has constitutional carry otherwise known as Vermont carry. This is due to constitutional carry being written into Vermont's state constitution in 1777 when it was an independent republic (Gun Laws, 2020).

Since Vermont has had constitutional carry from before the Bill of Rights to the modern day, it provides a constant baseline.

When comparing shall-issue or may-issue states to Vermont it is important to use states or districts similar in population or has a population that can be easily separated by county so that population is similar. If that isn't possible, it is best to find the quotient of the two populations and the quotient of the two statistics, then compare.

It is important to note that New York has a population that is 13.5 times bigger than Vermont's population (US Census Bureau, 2021).

When homicides are the focus about implementing Vermont carry, the statistics will support people for implementation. Vermont had a firearm homicide rate of "0 people per 100,000 in 2019" (The Educational Fund to Stop Gun Violence, 2021). This happened due to the CDC putting homicides into the other category that includes unintentional or undetermined deaths if the state had less than 10 homicides.

In the District of Columbia, a shall-issue district, had a firearm homicide rate of "16.52 people per 100,000 in 2019" (The Educational Fund to Stop Gun Violence, 2021).

When homicides are the main focus about having constitutional

carry the statistics show that it would benefit states to have Vermont carry.

When focus of gun control and constitutional carry is shifted to suicides, constitutional carry struggles in this area. In Vermont the firearm suicide rate was 8.03 people per 100,000 in 2019 after 59 people ended their lives. This rate is slightly above the national average causing Vermont to have the 28th highest suicide rate. In shall-issue states such as New York the firearm suicide rate dropped in 2019 to 2.09 people per 100,000 when 455 ended their lives.

This shows that that constitutional carry is worse when it comes to suicide. However, Vermont has been increasing mental health services at a faster pace than New York.

Now that the rates are known it is best for the public to know the composition of the rates so deaths can be prevented and people can be helped. In Vermont white men 75+ and 25-34 are most likely to commit suicide making up over 90% of all suicides. Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) were the lowest group making up 2% of all suicides. In New York, men made up 93% of all suicides. White men made up most suicides at a rate of 5.86 per 100,000 while BIPOC combined had a rate of 3.56 per 100,000 (Prevent Firearm Suicide, 2021).

For homicides, only New York will be told due to Vermont's data being suppressed by the CDC. According to The Educational Fund to Stop Gun Violence, "In New York, 88% of firearm homicide victims are male and Black males are disproportionately impacted. Black males aged 15-34 have a firearm homicide rate 30 times higher than White (non Latino) males of the same age group."

The importance of constitutional carry is that it allows more people to carry guns to protect themselves. However, there has to be some common sense laws when states pass Vermont carry. This is where Vermont excels. These are usually hotly

debated by Republican politicians due to it restricting gun rights.

These claims are different from what gun owners and hunters actually believe for many reasons.

Vermont allows its residents to open or conceal carry if they are 16, while non-residents have to be 18 (Gun Laws, 2020).

However, to buy or transfer a gun you must have passed a hunter safety course if you are under 21 and must be a certified dealer or immediate family member.

This helps prevent stress being put upon Vermont's red-flag laws which will allow the state to take control of a person's guns if they have been assessed to be an immediate risk to themselves or others.

However, after the person is no longer considered a risk, the state will return their guns to the owner. While many view this as the government trying to say who gets to own firearms, most of the time a family member or caretaker notifies the state.

These laws were also highly supported by politicians of both parties and residents alike when they were passed.

The main benefit of Vermont politics was shown here with its nature as a close-knit family where everyone knows each other and few get corrupted with power or monetary influence by others.

New York doesn't have this organization and connections which has produced more laws that don't take residents into consideration. Many recent issues that were caused by New York laws could've been prevented had the New York state government passed common-sense legislation like Vermont.

This is best shown when U.S. senator Patrick Leahy stated, "About the only gun law we have in Vermont is during deer season, If you have a semi-automatic, you can't have more than six rounds in it. Are we really as a na-

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successful artists in fields you want to pursue.

If you are looking for inspiration on how to succeed as a practicing artist once you leave art school, then listening to people who have achieved success can be inspirational in many different ways.

The lectures presented are beneficial in that artists tend to showcase their artworks.

Majoring in art is also a good way to make connections for your future career.

Though, the big stipulation about certain kinds of artists often not getting paid very well isn't an exaggeration.

In some cases, artists get paid even less than minimum wage. In general, the national average in the United States is that artists get paid around twenty dollars per hour, but it's most commonly reported from artists that they get paid around fourteen or sixteen dollars per hour.

Not only that, but artists need to look out for how inconsistent their income and schedule can be, depending on the job they take; it's not uncommon for artists to take up a second job for something more reliable to fall back on.

Art schools specifically tend to be a little pricey, too, and this needs to be considered in making a final decision.

Pursuing an art career isn't limited to needing a college degree, however. While art degrees amplify knowledge recommended for such a career, there are alternatives to learning this.

Watching videos, taking courses through Skillshare, even self-teaching can be practical ways to enhance your skills.

While recommended and required for some jobs, college education isn't needed to have a successful job in an art career.

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the Russell Sage's tuition is expensive, they offer many scholarships and financial aid for their students.

SUNY Plattsburgh is a public university located in Plattsburgh, NY. SUNY Plattsburgh offers over 70 undergrad academic programs. Programs ranging from biochemistry to computer science to journalism, SUNY Plattsburgh has it all! Plattsburgh also offers 18 different graduate programs such as special education, speech-language pathology, and accounting. SUNY Plattsburgh is 300 acres and has over 4,000 enrolled undergraduate students. Plattsburgh also offers programs through SUNY Adirondack. SUNY Plattsburgh has 7 different men's sports such as ice hockey, baseball, and basketball.

There are also many women's sports such as volleyball, cross country, and track and field. But if you aren't an athlete, don't worry, there are also many events and activities to get involved with. Unlike Russell Sage, Plattsburgh has Greek life. There are 10 fraternities and 13 sororities at Plattsburgh. Tuition for Plattsburgh is just over \$15,000, and they provide more than 4 million dollars worth of grants and scholarships that are funded by the college.

Both Russell Sage and SUNY Plattsburgh have many unique and great aspects to them. It all depends on what you prefer. If you would like to go to a public university, SUNY Plattsburgh is the one, but if you want to go to a private college choose Russell Sage.

If you would like a smaller school then Russell Sage is where you should go, however if you're looking for a bigger university then Plattsburgh might be the way to go. Both offer a wide variety of academic programs, extracurricular activities and athletics.

Personally, I would choose Russell Sage due to the small size and programs that they have to offer but it all depends on what you prefer and what you're looking for when choosing a college.

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the town of New Haven, Connecticut. It is also a fairly large private university. The rough number of students at the university is around 10,000 to 15,000 students at any time. Average cost of attendance for Yale is around 64,275 dollars per year. Students who qualify for need-based financial aid are not required to take out student loans to attend Yale. Offering majors for subjects like economics, political science, and government. They also offer majors in history, psychology, and biology. Extracurricular activities offered at Yale include athletics, academics clubs, and many other different clubs. Just like Harvard, finding housing for college is not a problem because Yale does offer housing for students. To have a better chance of getting into Yale it is recommended that you have high grades in high schools, and high SAT scores. However, even with high grades it is still unlikely that you will be accepted because usually Yale only accepted 6% of applicants.

One pro for Harvard is that they have more institutional resources. However, one con about Harvard is that there is no curriculum flexibility in the first year. Another set of benefits/negatives for Harvard is that it is easier to access networking/recruiting on the east coast, but it is harder to access networking/recruiting on the west coast. An advantage of Harvard is they have a large alumni base. On the other hand, a disadvantage of Harvard is that there is grade disclosure. WAIT, before you pick Harvard you need to know about the pros and cons of Yale university.

One pro for Yale is that Yale offers course flexibility for all students. However, the weather on campus is not always the best. Another set of benefits/negatives for Yale is they have a robust research program, but there is a more competitive classroom culture. An advantage of Yale is that they have need-based financial aid, which does not require students to take out student loans. An disadvantage is that at Yale they only serve Non-GMO/vegan/hormone free foods.

After considering all the pros and cons for both colleges my personal preference for college would have to be Yale. Reason one would be that they have course flexibility for all students. Reason two would be that they offer need-based financial aid for students which does not require me to take out student loans. Reason three would be that they have modern research facilities and robust research programs that would help me achieve my goal of getting a PhD in paleontology. After reading this article on Yale and Harvard, what college would you pick?

Wordsearch: Casseroles!

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Green Bean Casserole facts:

1. A woman named Dorcas Reilly developed the famous casserole.
2. Reilly was working in the home economics kitchen at the Campbell Soup Company, testing recipes for a feature in the Associated Press when she came up with the idea, which features Campbell's Condensed Cream of Mushroom Soup as the binding agent.
3. The casserole requires just six ingredients.
4. According to Today, green bean casserole can be found on dinner tables in 30 million households across the country during the holiday season.
5. Dorcas Reilly's original recipe for "Green Bean Bake," written on a recipe card, now belongs to National Inventor's Hall of Fame in Akron, OH—the same building where Thomas Edison's light bulb is on display.
6. The topping is the best part. There's one ingredient that's never changed: French fried onions.
7. Of the approximately \$20 million worth of cream of mushroom soup sold in the U.S. annually, green bean casserole is said to account for 40% of sales. (delish.com)

Carhartt, importance of brand positioning

By **JORDAN CHADWICK**

Carhartt Incorporated is an American workwear company known best for their durable, high-quality, and heavy-duty lines of clothing and apparel.

Founded by Hamilton Carhartt in 1899, the company was aimed in the direction of making clothing for manual laborers. Based in Dearborn, Michigan, Carhartt's goal was to fit a product to the needs of the consumer.

In one example, Carhartt ran into a few early frustrations when it came to the creation of specific and necessary products. Rather than becoming discouraged, he tended to focus in the direction of marketing research.

He then decided to speak one-on-one with railroad workers and from this was able to create the exact product they needed and envisioned. He did this all with the motto, "honest value for an honest dollar".

When it comes to a target market, Carhartt tends to aim for blue-collar workers. Companies like Columbia and North Face target those looking to purchase gear for activities such as hiking and sports.

Companies such as Wrangler and Levi Strauss target those in the upper-middle classes looking for nicer, higher-quality, clothing for everyday use. Rather than these companies, Carhartt targets those that have a need for their type of clothing.

Whether it's to keep them safe, warm, or just comfortable, Carhartt positions its brand to fit all of the standard workers' needs. Carhartt uses its website to promote the brand's positioning in the mind of the consumer. They do this by showing images and videos of all people doing work in all types of terrains. They make sure to show pictures of women and men, to appeal to both genders. They also show many types of work being done in their clothing to highlight the fact that all types of workers can be comfortable using their

clothing. They are able to paint a picture in the consumer's mind and this is how they are able to make their brand appear the way they want.

Even though I personally have never bought Carhartt apparel for myself or a friend, I can see why others might choose to purchase their clothing. It appears to work for all types of workers, in all types of conditions.

After reviewing the website a little more, I might consider purchasing a jacket for work outside in the winter. The prices are a little higher, but this highlights the fact that Carhartt makes their products with high quality. It also leads me to believe that the product will last longer, so I am getting more use of my money. The brand also includes sizes for all people, making the brand appear as very flexible. Additionally, Carhartt has expanded their brand in different ways such as creating wallets and backpacks, increasing their brand position and overall income.

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tion saying we are going to be more protective of the deer than we are of our children? I think not."

The common-sense laws and political design were very important after the early 2010's.

The Vermont Veterans Association reported that the suicide rate for Vermont veterans was 54.9 which is higher than non veterans in 2014 which was before bipartisan efforts rapidly increased to prevent suicides.

After 4 years of efforts to prevent this statistics were released that

showed the rate had decreased to 35.9 which is slightly higher than the national average suicide rate for veterans (Veteran Suicide Data Sheet, 2018).

Even better, the efforts and the close knit nature of Vermont prevented this number from skyrocketing like the national average during the COVID pandemic.

Even though New York has a higher population the Department of Veterans Association recorded a veteran suicide rate of 22.0 which is still higher than the national average. Unlike Vermont efforts to decrease this number didn't affect the rate with it

barely dropping to 21.7.

Just like most states the rate skyrocketed from the pandemic up to 25.0.

In all, these laws and statistics show how allowing the of 50.5% Vermont residents who own at least one gun to carry it around safely is a good policy unlike other states in which they would be restricted from doing so.

While there are many aspects to gun safety, they stem from laws and learning from previous years.

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