Hixson-Lied College of Fine and Performing Arts

Founded in 1993, the Hixson-Lied College of Fine and Performing Arts at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln includes programs in art, art history, theatre, dance, music and music education. The College is dedicated to helping students achieve their full potential in the arts and offer a supportive learning environment with the highest professional standards, small classes and hands-on practical experience. The college, proud of its distinguished faculty of artists, performers and educators, provides educational programs of study at the undergraduate and graduate levels. The mission of the College includes fostering creative activity and scholarly research in the arts and educating our students to a high level of accomplishment as artists, scholars and teachers.

Miss Christina Hixson, the sole trustee of the Lied Foundation Trust, announced a gift of $18 million to the University of Nebraska Foundation to support UNL’s College of Fine and Performing Arts in January 2000. In appreciation for this and many past gifts, the University of Nebraska Board of Regents voted to name the College the Hixson-Lied College of Fine and Performing Arts, the first named college at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln. The endowment, named the Christina M. Hixson-Lied Foundation Trust Endowment for the College of Fine and Performing Arts, benefits all areas of the college. Half of the fund’s income provides support for programs in the college and the college’s affiliated organizations, including the Lied Center for Performing Arts, Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery, Mary Riepma Ross Film Theater, Lentz Center for Asian Culture and the Nebraska Repertory Theatre. The remaining funds are divided equally to support faculty and students. The fund is administered by the Hixson-Lied Advisory Board.

The Hixson-Lied College of Fine and Performing Arts currently has more than 700 undergraduate majors.

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