

## *art@hendrix!* 2010s

The 2010s at Hendrix kicked off with a grand opening of the new Student Life and Technology Center. The 71,200 sq foot building replaced Hulen Hall as the center of campus life and currently houses the dining hall, a student activities suite, and the Oathout Technology Center. 2013 also brought major changes to Hendrix's campus culture with the return of football. The new team's debut occurred alongside the construction of Young-Wise Memorial Stadium and its surrounding plaza, the Sturgis Athletics Center, and the Hatcher Tennis Center.

In 2014, Dr. J. Timothy Cloyd left his position as President of Hendrix and was replaced by Dr. William M. Tsutsui, an expert on Japanese history and avid fan of Godzilla. Tsutsui made a favorable first impression with students by putting up a giant inflatable Godzilla for his inauguration and dedicating a special cafeteria meal to the monster's birthday each year.

The year 2015 saw the creation of Hendrix's Murphy Scholar Program, designed to help students of all majors pursue their interest in literature and language. The program provides access to resources like travel funding and special sessions with visiting authors, in addition to an Oxford-style course taught by Hendrix faculty members.

Students who attended Hendrix in the 2010s enjoyed campus parties like Robots, Ghost Roast, Toga, and SoCo 54, a '70s style disco based on Studio 54. Individual dorms each hosted their own signature events, like Raney's Bondage Bash, during which Raney roommates secretly pick out a date for each other. Girls identified their date by finding who wore the tie that she painted earlier in the week.

In addition to new traditions, the 2010s brought a myriad of anniversaries. Hendrix celebrated the 100th anniversary of Martin Hall in 2018, and former Martin men gathered in the college's new stadium to reminisce. The year 2018 also marked the 45th anniversary of KHDX, and to celebrate, the station aired a 24-hour broadcast from the SLTC. The program included current student radio shows, but also featured alumni who returned to campus for one more run of their old programs.

The decade ended with the opening of the new Miller Creative Quad in Fall 2019. Built on the former site of Hulen Hall, the Quad provides dorms and study space for 106 students on its upper two floors. The building's bottom floor houses the Hundley-Shell Theater for film screenings and lectures, in addition to practice rooms and offices for the Music Department. The Miller Creative Quad also houses Hendrix's new Windgate Museum of Art, made possible through a \$10 million grant from the Windgate Charitable Foundation. The 8,000 square foot facility, which features three exhibition galleries and an orientation gallery, has a vision to become the premier teaching museum in Arkansas.