

# Nixon Peabody advises CalArts on groundbreaking technology initiative with CHANEL Culture Fund

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**Los Angeles, CA.** Nixon Peabody LLP represented the California Institute of the Arts (CalArts) in the establishment of the CHANEL Center for Artists and Technology at CalArts, a transformative initiative between CalArts and the CHANEL Culture Fund that facilitates artists' access to emerging technologies. The collaboration positions artists at the forefront of shaping evolving technologies that define our world and will help drive cross-disciplinary collaboration and innovation through a model partner-led corporate cultural philanthropic initiative.

The CHANEL Center for Artists and Technology at CalArts will provide students, faculty, and visiting fellows across creative disciplines access to leading-edge equipment and software, enabling artists to explore and utilize new technologies in their work. The center will also activate a network of institutions throughout Southern California and beyond, linking museums, universities, and technology companies to share resources and knowledge.

"We are thrilled to engage our cross-disciplinary team to advise CalArts in this groundbreaking endeavor that further supports the institution's tradition of utilizing creativity and experimentation across diverse disciplines and mediums to help shape a better future," said Nixon Peabody partner **Thaddeus Stauber**, leader of the firm's **Arts & Cultural Institutions** team who co-led the firm's deal team. "The CHANEL Center for Artists and Technology represents a significant advancement in the activation of arts and technology, and we are honored to contribute to its realization."

Stauber co-led the Nixon Peabody team with partner **Seth Levy**, leader of the firm's **Intellectual Property** practice.

To learn more about this initiative, read the CalArts press release [here](#).

