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This website outlines the purposes, operations, and services of NASAD, including the accreditation process for institutions, and information for artists and designers, students, and the public. The six boxes below lead to the most utilized and salient information on the site.

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