





Why choose to study Art?

Studying A Level Art and Design will help you to develop imaginative, creative, intellectual and intuitive skills. You will develop a range of practical skills from oil painting to experimental drawing and will have the opportunity to investigate and experiment with your ideas, as well as develop your aesthetic understanding and critical judgement. You will learn to develop your independent thinking, investigating subject matter that intrigues and excites you and design and create personal outcomes.

Art touches everyone, it is all around us. In an economy that needs and relies up the creative industries, the Key Skills taught within Fine Art are of paramount importance. Art is about reacting, adapting, changing and creating. Developing your creativity though challenge and your ability to take managed risks would set you up for any career within the arts.

Entrance Requirements

- A willingness to listen and learn.
- A personal desire to communicate through drawing, painting and three dimensional studies.
- A desire to create and express your ideas.

Course Content & Learning Styles

The course is based on independent thematic projects such as natural and man-made environments, self-portraiture, abstract and conceptual art and still life. You will be given the opportunity to develop skills in:

- Graphite drawing.
- Oil, acrylic and water colour painting.
- Mixed-media.
- Printmaking.
- Installation art.

You will be encouraged to work in a portfolio format, and to undertake extensive written research to support your ideas.

What skills will I develop?

The skills you will develop are varied. Among them you will build up a working knowledge of materials, practices and technology of art. You will develop the skills to interpret and convey your ideas and feelings using art, craft and design. You will also expand your imaginative and creative powers and your experimental, analytical and documenting skills.

Progression Opportunities

In addition to studying art in Further or Higher Education you may wish to consider one of the following careers:-

- Architecture.
- Theatre Design.
- Product Design.
- Multi media Design.
- Community Arts.
- Set/Costume Design.
- Graphic Designer.
- Ceramic Design.
- Sculpture.
- Fine Art.
- Film and TV.
- Painting.
- Art Critic.
- Photographers.

"I found I could say things with colours and shapes that I couldn't say in any other way – things I had no words for." Giorgia O'Keefe (USA Artist).

