

Art, Photography & Textiles



Entry requirements: A minimum of a grade 5 in a GCSE creative arts subject

Examination Board: AQA

Grades awarded: A* - E

Assessment: 1 portfolio and 1 externally set assignment completed and presented

Being creative is the next big thing. Every good company realises that creativity and good design are important factors in generating new business. So your creativity isn't just a way of satisfying your artistic soul...it can open the door to exciting career opportunities as well. These exciting A levels are practical courses that allow you to be as creative as you want to be.

There are 3 specialist areas you can choose from in A level Art and Design:

Fine Art, Photography, and Textiles. You are able to study 1 or a combination of 2 of these subjects.

During the courses you will find out about a whole range of different media, techniques and processes. From observations, through experimentation to final outcomes, you just can't have enough ideas when it comes to expressing yourself. The courses are big on hands on experience too. It's the work YOU produce that counts. Look at the work of past students that is on exhibition both at the Sixth Form and the main site. The emphasis in this course is learning by doing, so you will be able to create imaginative personal work.

Lessons are taught at the main school site at Finkil Street as this is where all specialist rooms and equipment are located. However, you can carry on with work at the Sixth Form as you have access to ICT and Art boxes that are bookable from the Library and a quiet area to work in.

Year 12 Course Content:

Induction (Teacher led)

Focus on developing skills & knowledge

Outcome internally assessed

Start of Component 1 (student led & worth 60%)

Practical unit including supporting essay.

Year 13 Course Content

Continuation of Component 1 Deadline January

Start of Component 2 (Exam & worth 40%)

Starts Feb and ends with a 15-hour exam completed in April/May.

Art/Photography/Textiles combines well with Media Studies