

# Art and Design (Fine Art)

## Course overview

### A LEVEL

### Level 3

### AQA

Learners wanting to develop their technical and creative art skills, as well as learn more about the history of art, should consider this course. By researching the work of historical and contemporary artists, learners will glean a firm theoretical basis upon which to build their own practise. Over the space of two years, learners will develop a range of skills and refine areas of specific interest. They will consider and appreciate tone, colour, form, rhythm, scale, space and texture.

## Entry Requirements

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## Popular Subject Combinations

**A Level:** Photography, Film Studies, Media Studies, History, English Literature, Design Technology, Classic Civilisation, Philosophy,

**BTEC:** Textiles, Creative Digital Media Production (TV and Film or Digital Magazine Production)

## Possible Enrichment Opportunities

Mural group,  
Film Society,  
Arts Bronze Award

## What will I learn?

Over the space of two years, you will understand the basics of visual language by working in processes such as ceramics, drawing, painting, mixed media and 3D sculpture.

The first year is very much focused towards skills development, so expect lots of practical workshops and experimentation.

In the second year, you will naturally work more independently and will have the freedom to work with particular materials and processes.

## How will I be assessed?

Fine Art is assessed through both coursework and an externally set, timed assignment. The coursework element is a personal investigation supplemented by written material and is worth 60% of a learner's overall grade.

The externally set, timed assignment takes place over 15 hours toward the end of the second year. You will undertake preparatory work based around a particular theme and then create a final piece or series based on your preparatory work

## Where might it lead?

Upon completion, students may be in a position to apply to university or, an Art Foundation. They will also be well-placed to enter the creative industries.

If you would like further information about this course please contact the admissions team at

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