

Performing Arts



Subject Area	Performing Arts, Preparing for Learning & Work – Foundation Learning
Course Type	School Leavers
Study Level	Entry Level 3
Delivery Mode	Full-time
Location	David Hockney Building
Duration	1 Academic Year
Start Date	September 2025
Course Code	PA000106

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Course Summary

This course will appeal to those who would like an introductory qualification and is designed for learners who may be ready to progress quickly to further study, the Award offers a basic introduction to the performing arts sector and this is a practical course which will give you opportunities to present your work in performances over the year. The course provides opportunities for students to explore, develop and test their creativity. You will be involved in rehearsals and performances to develop your skills, confidence and to also have fun.

What You Will Learn

The course is based on a Programme of Study, which consists of:

- The Vocational Qualification itself

- A City & Guilds Employability and Personal Development Award
- English and Maths
- A Tutorial programme
- Work Experience

Learners will study three core Employability units and two sector specific units over the duration of the course.

You will learn through lectures, online modules (Moodle), group work, electronic resources and external speakers.

Our experienced staff will deliver a variety of practical workshops focusing on areas such as improvisation, voice and character development which will take place in one of the drama studios. Students will explore the process of responding to a given brief by preparing and presenting performances whilst working as a theatre company. Visits and guest speakers are also used to help enrich your learning experience.

Modules

Modules covered include:

Employability Units:

- Safety in the Work Place
- Careers Candidate Project
- Searching for a Job
- Applying for a Job
- Career Planning
- Making Applications

Vocational Units:

- Developing a Personal Progression Plan
- Acting in a Performance

Entry Requirements

Entry 3: There are no entry requirements for this level apart from an interest in the specified subject and the ability to commit to positive behaviours and attendance.

Level 1: You should have keen interest in performing arts and achieved a minimum 2

GCSE at grade 2 (E) or above. Entry level 3 qualifications with minimum Entry 3 at Maths and English are also accepted.

English and/or Maths will be included in your timetable if you have not achieved a GCSE at grade 4 or above in these subjects when you start your course.

Work Experience

30 hours of relevant experience of work are included in the course. Our students work in partnership with the National Citizens Service (NCS) programme which helps to develop key employment skills and behaviours needed for progression to work.

Progression

Successful completion of the Performing Arts qualification can help you embark on a career in a Performing Arts related area. You will be able to progress to further learning, an apprenticeship or employment.

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