

Arts Awards in Music Technology

Skills Developed: Creativity, Independence & Organisation

The Arts Award courses will provide opportunities to study a wide range of musical styles and topics. You are able to experiment and take control of your own learning experience on the path to success. You have the opportunity to learn how to compose music using industry standard software, and develop your skills in creating and appraising music. You will have the opportunity to develop your own specific musical interests and to learn about a wide range of styles of music. As well as being great fun this course will help you to develop many important life skills which future employers will be looking for such as leadership skills, time management and the ability to work effectively with others.

Exam Board: Trinity College London

Qualifications:

Arts Award Explore (Entry Level 3)
Bronze Arts Award (Level 1)
Silver Arts Award (Level 2)

What will I study?

In Music Technology you have the opportunity to take part in practical musical activities such as song writing, rapping, DJ-ing, music production, music composition, remixing, recording and more. You will have the opportunity to develop your own specific musical interests and to learn about a wide range of styles of music.

How will my course be assessed?

All courses are internally assessed by a trained Arts Award adviser and then sent to a moderator, trained by Trinity College London who will look at a selected sample of the young people's work in order to validate an Arts Award adviser's assessment. There are no exams for any of the Arts Awards.

How will it help me in the future (after KS4 and further careers)?

Music Technology will help you to develop creativity, social and leadership skills. These skills will be valued highly by future employers. The qualification may lead to further study in further education, a career in music and multimedia industries.



What are my coursework requirements?

Learners can work at their own pace and they record their progress in an arts log or portfolio.

To pass Arts Award Explore, a learner's individual arts log must demonstrate:

- their active participation in a range of arts activities, providing a personal response about what has inspired them about taking part
- their experience of a range of arts organisations, artists and their work
- their creativity and arts skills through making art work
- identification of what they have enjoyed and achieved, and their presentation of this to others

To pass Bronze Arts Award, a learner's individual arts log or portfolio must demonstrate:

- their development of interests, knowledge and skills through active participation in any art form
- their experience as an audience member of at least one arts event
- their research into the work of an artist/craftsperson who inspires them
- their experience of passing on an arts skill

To pass Silver Arts Award, a learner's individual arts portfolio must demonstrate how they meet the following requirements:

Unit 1 – arts practice and pathways

- identify and plan an arts challenge
- implement and review the arts challenge
- review arts events
- undertake arts research

Unit 2 – arts leadership

- identify leadership role and plan the project's aims
- plan the practical issues
- effective arts leadership
- working effectively with others
- review the project and leadership role

Who do I see to get further information?

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