



STAGE DOOR





A Performing Arts focussed Alternative Education Provision for Key Stage 3 & 4



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CREATIVE ARTS

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partnership
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Programme name: Key Stage Door

Type of provision: Part Time

Brief description of programme:

An alternative provision (AP) delivered by Blackbird Creative Arts Ltd and local industry professionals covering all aspects of performing arts and offering Trinity College of London qualifications, also now partnering with First Class Learning and also delivering Maths & English Functional Skills and GCSE too.

AIM: A bespoke programme for KS3 & 4 including drama, dance, music, performance plus English & Maths to help grow confidence and build self esteem as well as ignite creativity, whilst positively preparing young people for their next steps. This programme is aimed at students who struggle with Emotionally Based School Non-Attendance but we will consider other school based issues too. We see all behaviour as communication.

HOW: For our students with us for a full academic year they will study for either Trinity College of London Bronze (Level 1 qualification) or Silver Arts Award (Level 2 qualification equivalent to GCSE) as well as Maths & English either Functional Skills up to Level 2 or GCSE level. Whilst studying for Trinity College London Arts Awards the subject modules will include a broad range of genres in all aspects of performance looking at the history of each art form in order to increase breadth of knowledge, skillset and ability. Reading, writing and comprehension skills will also be developed along with our research projects. We will delve into the behind the scenes side of performance too and look at funding, budgeting, planning, producing and marketing. Creativity will flourish with weekly creative sessions where students will work on their own ideas in their chosen artform. The main aim for the course being to produce a showcase and market it for the end of the academic year to the public. Regular performance opportunities will also be offered.

For students with us on half term placements, they will study the same as above but instead of Arts Awards they will have the opportunity to take their Trinity College of London Performance Art Exams Grades 3-8 depending on the ability of the student. In just 6 weeks we can get them through a graded exam so they leave with a worthwhile qualification.

Trinity College of London's unique qualifications support children and young people to develop as artists and arts leaders. The programme develops skills for success in 21st century life including creativity, leadership, reflective thinking and communication skills. Young people also develop knowledge and understanding of their chosen art forms. Through Arts Award young people learn to work independently, helping them to prepare for further education and employment.

BENEFIT: Confidence builder, social and emotional development, improved performance technique, professional guidance by active industry professionals, a place to belong, a place to express yourself and be creatively challenged but also supported.

Special Educational Needs or learning difficulties	Yes
Looked after children	Yes
Disengaged from mainstream education	Yes
At risk of disengaging from mainstream education	Yes
Behavioral issues	Yes

Expected course length (days per week / number of weeks): The course would be offered half termly or for full academic years. We operate on Thursdays and Fridays 9am-3pm.

Staff ratio: 1:4

Hours per week: 12 hours per week, 2 days per week per student. (Reduced hours/half days can be discussed)

Accreditation offer including level:

Full time students - Trinity College London Bronze Arts Award (Level 1 qualification on the Regulated Qualifications Framework) - Suitable for Key Stage 3 takes around 60 hours.

Trinity College London Silver Arts Award (Level 2 qualification on the Regulated Qualifications Framework Equivalent to GCSE) - Suitable for Key Stage 4 takes around 95 hours.

Maths & English - Functional Skills up to Level 2 or GCSE - delivered by First Class Learning Darlington.

Arts Awards are assessed via a moderated student portfolio. Functional Skills/GCSEs are assessed via formal examination, and Trinity Performance Arts are assessed via practical examination.

Temporary students - Trinity College of London Performance Arts graded exams, grades 3 - 8, grade taken will depend on the students ability.

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Total course cost per pupil:

Full time student costs: £98.00 per student per day. **Annual cost** £7252 (payable either in full or on a 10 month interest free agreement.) You can join as a full time student part way through a year and the cost would be calculated according to how many weeks are left

Temporary student costs: £115 per student per day, £230 per week charged half termly.

37 weeks per year

2-3 x Practitioners

Minimum 2 - 6 Children

Days & Times:

9am - 3pm - Thursdays and Fridays

Other relevant information (minimum or maximum group size, etc):

Up to 6 pupils per group. Students/schools can sign a student up full time for a full academic year or the rest of the academic year depending on when they join or you can do the temporary student option and sign them up a half term at a time.

The most important aspect of studying performing arts for a young person is being able to express themselves and have that safe outlet. The arts also benefit; communication skills, creativity, focus, stamina, confidence, teamworking skills and mental health, the list is not exhaustive and all of which are key skills for young people who cannot access mainstream education no matter how hard they try. In addition to these important skills they can receive a recognised qualification on completion of the Bronze or Silver Arts Award, which is recognised by most Further Education establishments.

Timetable (Subject to Change):

Thursday

9:00-9:15	Registration and Well-being check in
9:15-9:30	Warm up
9:30-10:45	Drama
10:45-11:00	Break
11:00-12:20	Maths & English
12:20-13:00	Lunch
1:00-1:45	Arts Award
1:45-3:00	Dance (alternatives available)

Friday

9:00-9:15	Registration and Well-being check in
9:15-9:30	Physical warm up
9:30-10:45	Dance class (alternatives available)
10:45-11:00	Break
11:00-12:20	Music
12:20-1:00	Lunch
1:00-1:45	Arts Award
1:45-3:00	Singing