



STAGE DOOR





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



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CREATIVE ARTS

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Programme name: Key Stage Door

Type of provision: Part Time

Brief description of programme:

A new 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.

AIM: A bespoke programme for KS3 & 4 including drama, dance, music and performance, 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 4 GCSE's). 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 1-8 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.

Delivery location: Darlington Hippodrome, Parkgate, Darlington, DL1 1RR

Learner groups:

Emotional needs (our priority)	Yes
Behavioural difficulties (lower levels of need - non violent)	Yes
History of youth offending	Yes
Special Educational Needs or learning difficulties	Yes
Looked after children	Yes
Disengaged from mainstream education	Yes
At risk of disengaging from mainstream education	Yes

Staff ratio: 1:4**Hours per week:** 12 hours per week, 2 days per week per student.**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 4 GCSE's) - Suitable for Key Stage 4 takes around 95 hours.

Temporary students - Trinity College of London Performance Arts graded exams, grades 1 - 8, grade taken will depend on the students ability.

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Total course cost per pupil:

38 weeks per year

2-3 x Practitioners Maximum 8 - 10 Children

Costs: Full time student (meaning full academic year) £95.00 per student per day.

Annual cost £7,220 (exam fees included).

Temporary student (meaning for just 1 half term) £115 per day, £230 per week.

For example; a 6 week long half term would cost £1,380 (exam fees included).

Days & Times:

9am - 3pm - Thursdays and Fridays

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

8-10 pupils per group. Students/schools would have to Sign up to the full term with the option to extend or a full academic year. 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.

Example timetable:

Thursday		Friday	
9-9:30	Registration and Well-being check in	9-9:30	Registration and Well-being check in
9:30-9:45	Physical warm up	9:30-11:00	Arts Award
9:45-11:00	Dance class	11:00-11:15	Break
11:00-11:15	Break	11:15-12:15	Music
11:15-12:15	Singing	12:15-13:00	Lunch
12:15-13:00	Lunch	13:00-13:45	Wellbeing session
13:00-14:15	Drama	13:45-15:00	Dance class
14:15-15:00	Arts Award		