



Art & Design



The purpose of the course is to develop Expressive (Fine) Art and Design skills. To gain a National 5 qualification, pupils produce an Expressive Portfolio and a Design Portfolio with the aim of exploring a wide range of materials and techniques. This is in addition to studying a selection of artists and designers' work to inform practical work and to prepare pupils for the written exam. The course offers a chance for pupils to express themselves in a creative way, in a nurturing environment.

Topics Covered

- Expressive Unit –Still Life or Portraiture
- Design Unit - 2D Textile Pattern Design or 3D Body Adornment
- Art and Design Studies

Assessment Breakdown

- Expressive Portfolio: **40%**
- Design Portfolio: **40 %**
- Art and Design Studies Written Exam: **20%**

Skills Gained

- Creative Skills
- Digital Skills
- Problem-solving Skills
- Planning and organisation Skills
- Presentation Skills
- Communication Skills
- Time Management Skills
- Analytical and Conceptual Skills

Progression & Possible Career Paths

Progression:

- Higher Art & Design
- Advanced Higher Art & Design
- A relevant college or university course

Possible Career Paths:

- The Creative Industries are thriving in Scotland, and young people going on to be employed in this industry can enjoy successful careers in the Fine Art sector as freelance artists and photographers.
- In the Design sector, graphic design, animation, fashion design and textile design are popular and well-paid career paths to consider.

Entry Requirements and advice

The Art Department welcomes all abilities and is suited to pupils who have an interest in the subject, and who are motivated to succeed.

