

# A Level Art, Craft and Design – Transition Work.

## Know your course:

Use the link below to read the specification for your A Level in Art, Craft and Design.

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/art-and-design/as-and-a-level/art-and-design-7201/subject-content/art,-craft-and-design>

We will be introducing you to the specialisms below in the Autumn term of year 12. It's important that you begin to explore some of these over the summer so that we can gain an understanding of your visual language, interests and artistic style before you start the A Level course with us.

## Specialisms we cover are:

**Fine art:** drawing, painting, mixed-media, sculpture, ceramics, installation, printmaking, moving image (video, film, animation) and photography.

**Textile design:** fashion design, fashion textiles, costume design, digital textiles, printed and/or dyed fabrics and materials, domestic textiles, wallpaper, interior design, constructed textiles, art textiles and installed textiles.

**Three-dimensional design:** ceramics, sculpture, architectural design, jewellery/body ornament.

**Photography:** portraiture, landscape photography, still life photography, documentary photography, photojournalism, fashion photography, experimental imagery, multimedia.

## Summer Tasks:

Choose at least **two** specialisms from the list above and respond to **one** of the following themes:

### Portraiture

### The Natural World

### Architecture

Create a small sketchbook of recordings, ideas and imagery in response to your chosen theme. You are also encouraged to work in 3D if you wish.

Think about using materials and techniques in interesting and creative ways. You can use traditional materials or be resourceful and use found objects and recyclable materials too!

This task is deliberately open ended to allow you to be as creative as possible. We want to see evidence of your creative ideas and passion for the subject. You should choose to create work that is of genuine interest to you and that helps us to further understand your artistic and creative voice. There is no requirement for your sketchbook to culminate in a final piece.



## Where to get supplies:

[www.hobbycraft.co.uk](http://www.hobbycraft.co.uk)

<https://www.therange.co.uk/arts-and-crafts/>



## Where to get ideas:

Pinterest – A great resource where you can save ideas, creating boards for all your Art, Craft and Design ideas!

<https://theartyteacher.com/artists-themes/> - Artist inspiration organised by themes. They also have Photographers and Ceramicists too!

<https://www.tate.org.uk/>

<https://www.moma.org/>

<https://www.vam.ac.uk/>

<https://www.nhm.ac.uk/visit/exhibitions/wildlife-photographer-of-the-year.html>

## Where to go:

<https://www.timeout.com/> - Search what's going on in different cities to find inspiration for your work. Visit exhibitions virtually on their Arts and Culture page. Perhaps you're going on holiday, find out what's on in your nearest city!

<https://www.leicestermuseums.org/> - Find out what's happening in your local area. Galleries are often free to visit and have both temporary and permanent exhibitions that might spark ideas for your work!

<https://www.nottinghamcontemporary.org/>

<https://www.birminghammuseums.org.uk/>