

Art & Design

The most common question we are asked by pupils is "I love art, but what jobs can I do?" The career opportunities here will show you how studying Art & Design opens up a world of opportunities. We know that employers look for creative thinkers, so whatever your career ambitions, having a qualification in Art & Design is the best way to show you have more to offer.

Our department is staffed by experts with a wealth of experience working in the creative industries. We are committed to providing pupils with a first class course and fully prepare them for the rigors of their GCE course and beyond. Our pupils are confident artists and our results are consistently high.



Qualification: GCSE
Examination Board: EDUQAS
Specification Code: J171/J173

Topics Covered

We cover subject areas that will provide you with the best possible opportunity to develop your creative thinking skills and progress into a career in the creative industries should you wish to.

You will have the opportunity to explore a number of exciting themes in a range of media including 3D sculpture, painting, printmaking, textiles, digital media film and photography.

Assessment

- **60% Coursework portfolio**
You will complete a practical project and select your strongest work to submit as your coursework portfolio.
- **40% Set task**
You will be given a set task paper 6-8 weeks in advance of your 10 hr practical exam, this will allow you to fully prepare and enter the exam with confidence.

Course Progression

Having pursued A level Art or Photography at Swanshurst, we have seen many of our students go onto study Art and Design at degree level at some of the country's most highly regarded universities and then to secure employment in the creative industries.

We know that the ability to think creatively in an increasingly visual world, is a highly desirable skill and one prized by future employers, whatever the sector.

Career Opportunities

Pursuing an education in Art and Design can lead to employment in the creative industries, a sector growing faster than any other in the UK.

Jobs include: Architect, photographer, make up artist, fashion and accessories designer, interior designer, theatre designer, graphic designer, textile design, production designer for film and television, games and app designer, website designer, jewellery designer, fine art, art historian, curator, art therapist.