



Job Description

POST: Artist in Residence

The post of artist in residence is available for one academic year to a practicing artist working in any medium. A specialism in 3D or digital media may be an advantage. The successful applicant will have access to a studio space and use of facilities within the Department and will be expected to contribute to the curricular and extra-curricular teaching of Art.

Background:

The Art Department is staffed by one full-time and one part-time member of staff, both of whom are Fine Artists. There is also a part-time technician. The department is housed in three adjacent well equipped studios in the main part of the school, and includes facilities for 2D/3D work with a kiln on site. Students are encouraged to be ambitious and work in a wide range of media. Critical and contextual studies are an integral part of the practical courses and we gain consistently excellent results. Many students choose to continue their studies at university and have forged careers in the art world.

Responsibilities:

The job specification may be tailored to suit the expertise and experience of the successful candidate. However, the role would be based part-time (0.6) within the Department and will involve:

- Teaching (with support) alongside staff in a limited number of academic lessons;
- Leading extracurricular activities and clubs within including a community arts project in agreement with the Head of Department;
- Providing individual technical support in their specialist area to examination students;
- Accompanying groups on visits and participating in relevant events and open days;
- Assisting the technician at times with a wide variety of tasks;
- Giving a presentation on their own practice and mounting an exhibition of their own work;
- Contributing to the Art department's online presence;
- Support the Head of Art with outreach work in other schools;

Whilst direct contact with pupils is part-time, the post holder will be encouraged to work within the department on their personal projects outside of this.

PERSONAL QUALITIES

In addition to his/her specific duties the post holder will be an informal presence within the department on a daily basis, supporting teaching staff and upholding the ethos of the department. It is important that the successful candidate is able to interact in a positive and proactive manner with staff and pupils of all ages and abilities. We are looking for someone who is able to:

- communicate enthusiasm and curiosity for their subject specialism;
- practice and maintain high academic and creative standards;
- is proactive, reliable and able to demonstrate initiative within the busy life of the department.