

ART INTENT

The Art and Design curriculum at Salford City Academy is designed to inspire and equip students to think innovatively and develop a creative understanding. Each term will focus on a specific specialism including textiles, fine art and 3D design. The curriculum is designed to engage, inspire and challenge students, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to experiment and create their own works of art, craft and design enabling all students to achieve regardless of ability. As students' progress throughout the key stages, they will be able to think critically and develop a more rigorous understanding of art and design. They will understand how art and design contributes to the culture and creativity of the world around them.

Our Art and Design curriculum provides students with opportunities to develop their skills and increase their proficiency in the handling of a range of media and materials. Students learn the skills of drawing, painting, printing, collage, textiles and 3D design. Students are given the opportunity to explore and evaluate a range of creative ideas and outcomes. The curriculum introduces students to a range of skills, develops their knowledge and understanding of artists and designers and develops their vocabulary of subject specific language.

Students are expected to be reflective and evaluate their work, thinking about how they can make changes and improve. This should be meaningful and continuous throughout the process through verbal and written annotation.

The projects are designed to have cross curricular links and to make pupils aware of current political, social and global issues such as animal cruelty, environmental issues, mental health and wellbeing.

At KS4 students have the option to study Fine Art or Photography. Through the two years of study students will develop a portfolio of work that is 60% coursework and 40% externally set task. Students will develop and expand on their skills learnt at KS3 through experimentation and working in the style of artists. Students are encouraged to have input on the development of their projects by linking to personal themes and interests from the world around them.

Aspire clubs are offered to students weekly. They are given the opportunity to work on whole school projects, displays and enter competitions. Aspire gives students the chance to use more advanced specialist materials, techniques and equipment they wouldn't normally use in lessons.

