

Arts Award Gold and FE/6th Form Partnerships

A New Direction is offering support to Sixth form colleges and further education settings to work in partnership with arts and cultural organisations to deliver Arts Award Gold with groups of young people.

Through this pilot, we are keen to explore the ways that arts organisations can work in partnership with education providers that work with larger groups of young people; widening the offer of Arts Award Gold to more young people in London.

To do this, A New Direction has developed a flexible menu of options worth up to £1405.00; which 6th form colleges, further education establishments and arts and cultural organisations can apply for.

Arts Award inspires young people to grow their arts and leadership talents: it's creative, valuable and accessible. Arts Award can be achieved at five levels, four accredited qualifications and an introductory award.

Sixth form colleges, Further education institutions and arts/cultural organisations wanting to take part in the Arts Award Gold pilot in 2014/15 can receive a contribution towards the following costs (up to a maximum of £1405.00):

Description	Cost
Arts Award Gold Moderation.	£35.00 per portfolio.
Project Delivery	£1000.00 <i>(maximum)</i>
Support Visit/Planning costs with an Arts Award expert (half-day)	£125.00 inclusive of travel time <i>(one maximum)</i>
Pre-moderation support visit with an Arts Award expert. (half-day)	£125.00 inclusive of travel time <i>(one maximum)</i>
Arts Award Gold adviser training.	£155.00 <i>(maximum one place)</i>

Eligibility Criteria:

- Open to 6th form/FE/HE institutions that work with young people aged 16-25.
- Open to arts and cultural organisations that have existing links with the above institutions and want to develop their accreditation offer.
- Either partner must have experience of delivering Arts Award.
- A minimum group of five young people is required to take part in the pilot.
- Deadline for applications is 10:30am on Thursday 25th September 2014.

FAQs

Arts Award is...

- a great way for children and young people to be inspired by and enjoy the arts
- offered at five levels, four accredited and one introductory award
- a framework for learning new skills and sharing them
- an opportunity to develop creativity and leadership skills
- a link between young people and creative arts professionals

What level is Arts Award Gold and what age range should we work with?

Gold Arts Award is the highest level at Level 3, and develops young people's creativity, communication, planning, teamwork and leadership skills. The award is also recognised on

the UCAS Tariff (35 points). Gold has been designed for young people aged 16 to 25. For more information visit: <http://www.artsaward.org.uk/site/?id=67>

We don't have any staff trained as Arts Award Gold advisers – can we still take part?

Yes – part of our offer is Arts Award adviser training at Gold level. To be eligible for this, you will need someone that has been trained as an Arts Award adviser at Bronze and Silver level. If your setting or partnership already has someone trained at Gold level, you may want to consider sending an additional member of your team to the Gold adviser training available through this pilot. Past experience shows that it is best to train more than one adviser to enable support and collaboration with delivery and planning.

Will I have to provide extra activities or workshops?

Not necessarily – after mapping where Arts Award Gold fits within your curriculum or offer you may find that you fulfil the criteria for your young people to achieve an Arts Award Gold.

How many young people should we expect to work with during the pilot?

There is no limit on the amount of young people we would expect to take part in the pilot. We would expect organisations applying to be part of this pilot to commit to working with a minimum of five young people through their Gold Arts Award.

Can A New Direction help us to find a partner for this project?

For the purposes of this pilot – we are keen to support existing partnerships that wish to develop their accreditation offer. However, we will try to establish partnerships where possible – in the first instance, please do contact us on the details below before making an application.

What timescales should we work towards?

For successful applications, we anticipate Arts Award Adviser training taking place in October, with delivery taking place up to late February 2015. After this point we envisage that the pilot project groups will submit their work for the Award (please note moderation and certificates take a number of weeks to process.)

Who can I talk to if I have more questions?

Interested settings should contact Anthony Ruck, Programme Associate (Young People) at A New Direction for more information.

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