

Do you have young people in your care who are interested in the arts?

We can help them pursue their interests and gain an accredited award

DANCE • DIGITAL • DRAMA • LITERATURE • MUSIC • VISUAL ART

Arts Award supports children & young people up to the age of 25 to discover more about the arts and grow as artists and leaders, by inspiring them to connect with and take part in artform challenges, and then recording and reflecting on them. There are multiple levels to suit different ages and abilities.

Artslink is the West Midlands Virtual Schools' arts programme, and any of our events or activities can be used as part of an Arts Award, including our huge online platform, Connect & Create.



Arts Award and Connect & Create are free of charge to all care experienced children & young people in the West Midlands. See over for info on how Arts Awards fit with the Regulated Qualifications Framework, and follow the simple steps on how to run Arts Award in your setting.

A partnership with Shropshire and Telford & Wrekin Virtual Schools







There are 5 different levels of Arts Award:

DISCOVER: a certified an easy access introductory award. Watch this film to see what's involved, and also check out our Discover At Home stuff below.

EXPLORE: an Entry Level (Entry 3) qualification. Watch this film to see what's involved.

BRONZE: a Level 1 qualification on the Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF) and is open to young people aged 11 to 25. Watch this film to see what's involved.

SILVER: a Level 2 qualification on the Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF) and is designed for ages 14 and above, but is open to young people aged 11 to 25. Watch this film to see what's involved.

GOLD: a Level 3 qualification on the Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF) and is designed for ages 16 and above, but is open to young people aged 11 to 25. The award has 16 points on the UCAS tariff. Watch this film to see what's involved.

Okay, I'm interested in running Arts Award What do I do now?

- 1. Head over to www.artslinkwm.org.uk/artsaward
- 2. If you'd like to start with Discover, everything you need is already there, including an intro video, step-by-step instructions and a downloadable logbook. You can sign up as many young people as you like. To gain the award they will need to a) take part in at least one arts activity (e.g. write a story or poem, draw a picture, sing a song), b) find out about an artist (e.g. dancer, musician, painter, playwright)
- 3. If you'd like to do another level (or have any other enquiry) please email us at artslinkwm@gmail.com and we'll set you up with the relevant materials.







Artslink is partnership of the 14 West Midlands Virtual Schools, supporter by Arts Connect. It aims to ensure that all children & young people connected with a Virtual School in the West Midlands can access great arts & cultural activities, opportunities and information.