

studio digital

Overview

- Free for years 10-12
- Digital creative learning in fields such as blogging, game design, graphic design, film production
- Initial 3 days during October half term
- Studio sessions for six months
- Culminating in a digi-festival
- Further information in assemblies in September
- Easy application process
- Help to overcome barriers to participation

Contains Art, an art gallery and studios in Watchet, have secured funding through the West Somerset Opportunity Area to run a digital creative project (event and studio sessions) aimed at young people in years 10, 11 and 12. The project is intended to enable young people to develop in-depth skills in a digital field, working with experienced professionals, going on visits and learning how to develop a digital career.

What are we offering

The initiative will begin with three days in the October Half Term (week 29.10.18-02.11) and will consist of inspiring speakers from various creative digital fields i.e. game design, blogging, film production and graphic design.

We will also, on the third day, visit inspiring digital businesses in the South West.

We aim to give participants one-to-one contact with professionals they would otherwise have difficulty accessing and will also expose them to creative digital fields they might otherwise not have considered.

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Following the initial three days, participants will be allocated into 3-4 sets of cohort groupings, each cohort focusing on a particular digital strand across a set of studio sessions over a six-month period. The studio sessions will also explore how to make a career in the digital industries including entrepreneurial opportunities.

We are aiming to have attendees produce a project with local firms, so that they get a tangible understanding of how their digital skills can be valued.

The studio sessions will end with a Digital Festival, featuring industry professionals alongside participants from the year 1 sessions- who will present their digital work and talk about how the course has affected their view of the Digital Industry and their hopes moving forward. Participants of the year 2 course will begin their journey at this event.

What do we need?

Your help.

You are best placed to know for which students this would make a real difference and identify those whose passion could lead to a digital future.

We want to recruit approximately 30-35 participants in total to take part in the studiodigital project from a student base spanning years 10-12.

We are hoping to welcome a range of students from all backgrounds and interests, regardless of previous achievements.

We would love you to encourage students to apply for places and help them to feel confident enough to do so.

It would be great if you could talk to your classes and tutorial groups about this project and plant the seeds of interest with particular individuals.

There is a short film which you can see here www.containsart.co.uk/studiodigital and we will be in school over the next month.

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Application

We want to make the application process as easy as possible. We'll need basic contact information from applicants but otherwise we're happy to have an informal conversation over the phone (Jon on 07583 368072), a chat via What's App (same number), an email (annie@containsart.co.uk) or pop in to school to talk with students if that is best.

The nuts and bolts

The studiodigital event and follow up studio sessions will be provided free of charge for attendees.

Where necessary, we will provide transport and will aim to deliver the event and studio sessions in a central venue in West Somerset for ease of access.

We are committed to overcoming attendance barriers that any participants may have and would welcome your support in helping us to identify these and work with you and potential participants to figure out solutions to any difficulties.

Thank you so much for your help with this.

if you have any questions in the meantime please contact Annie Robinson, Co-ordinator at annie@containsart.co.uk

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