

ART DEPARTMENT NEWS

THE ROYAL SCHOOL, WOLVERHAMPTON

A BUSY TERM IN THE ART DEPARTMENT!

HAVE A RESTFUL & FESTIVE BREAK

Welcome to another vibrant and exciting edition of our Art Senior School Newsletter, where creativity takes centre stage and imagination knows no bounds. Within these pages, you will discover the kaleidoscope of talent, passion, and innovation that defines the artistic talents of our artists. From the strokes of a paintbrush to the rhythmic dance of words on a page, our students continue to showcase their inspirations that illustrate a vivid picture of the artistic spirit flourishing within the walls of The Royal. Whilst it is nearly Christmas and the Summer results seem like a life time ago this is our first edition this academic year and it would be wrong not to celebrate the Summer successes within the Art department. Once again we had some fantastic results and in fact our Year 11 students achieved grades 25% above the national average with 62% of students achieving grades 7 and above. We always knew they were a talented group and their grades definitely reflected this hard work and dedication. We are very proud of them. But for now, dive in, explore, and be captivated by the world of artistry that celebrates the potential of our talented Royal students.



Jennifer Collier workshop, action shot!



Year 13 mock exam, work-in-progress

ARTISTS OF THE TERM

Students continuously impress us in the art department with the work they produce and as always, this term students have been working extremely hard.

We always have a difficult job deciding which students deserve the artist of the term title!

Art department staff would like to award the following students their 'Artist of the Term' award for their outstanding effort and achievement this term.



YEAR 13 - LILY CLARK

YEAR 12 - EESHA UR REHMAN

YEAR 11 - HANNAH JONES

YEAR 10 - ARAN SINGH PURBA

YEAR 9 - IZABELLA RENTON

VISITING ARTIST WORKSHOP - JENNIFER COLLIER

This term GCSE students in Year 11 were able to take part in a workshop with practicing artist Jennifer Collier over zoom. Jennifer Collier creates vintage inspired sculptures and artwork from found papers incorporating techniques such as decorative embroidery and stitch.

Students used the workshop as an opportunity to create a new piece of work to add to their GCSE portfolio and produced some great outcomes.



SARAH GRAHAM ARTIST Q&A SESSION

Year 8 students were very lucky this term to meet the artist Sarah Graham. Sarah Graham is a photo realism painter who paints large scale close up images from still life. She is best known for her large scale brightly coloured painting of sweets. Students will be studying the work of Sarah Graham after Christmas and so the Zoom Call gave students a head start with this and an fantastic opportunity to ask her questions about her work. She also spoke about how her career has developed and provided students with a fabulous insight into the creative industries.



ART MOCK EXAM YEAR 11 & YEAR 13

We had a busy few days at the end of November with students from year 11 and year 13 sitting their mock art exam.

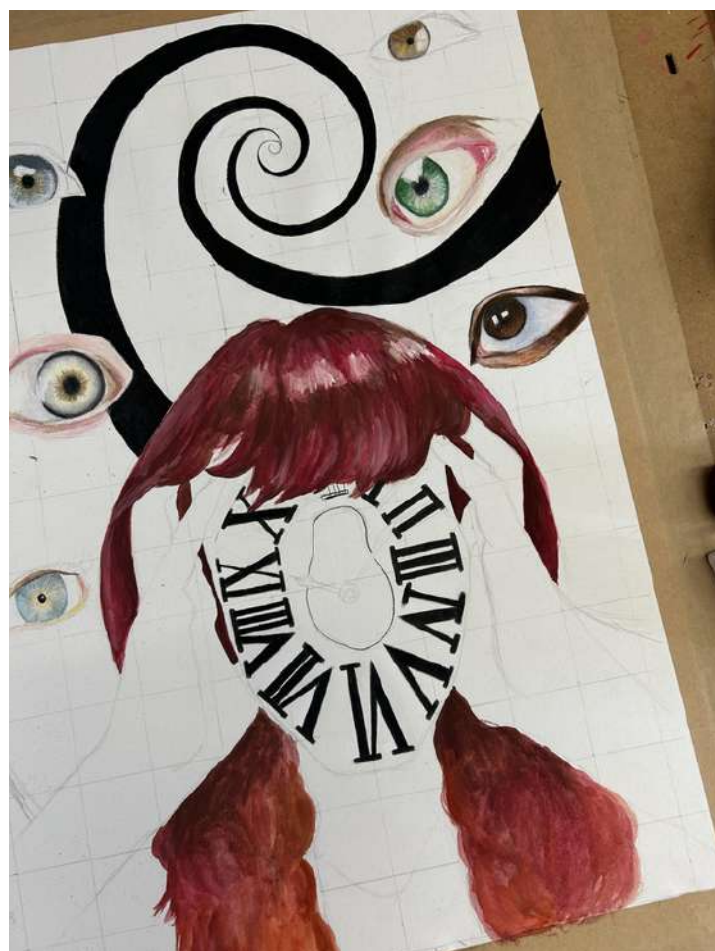
The exam is sat over 2 full days and students always produce outstanding work.

See some work - in - progress photos from the exam!



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!Work-in-progress photos from the year 13 mock exam.



ART ENRICHMENT - CLAY TILES

Students in the Art enrichment session have had the opportunity to work with clay and produce their own decorative tile.

We don't usually have the opportunity to use clay as part of the regular art curriculum, so this enrichment activity has been particularly useful in introducing students to this material and teaching them new skills.

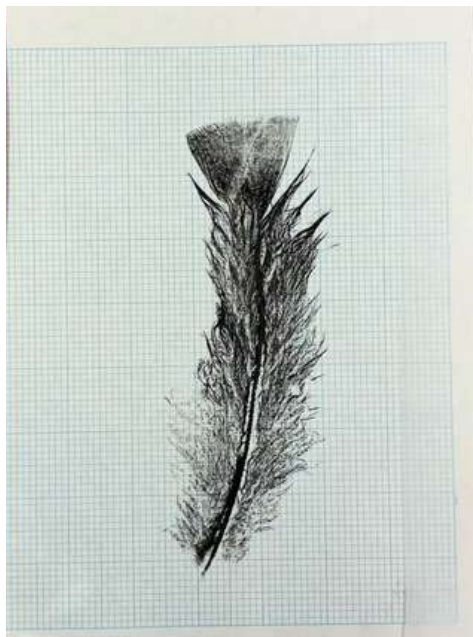
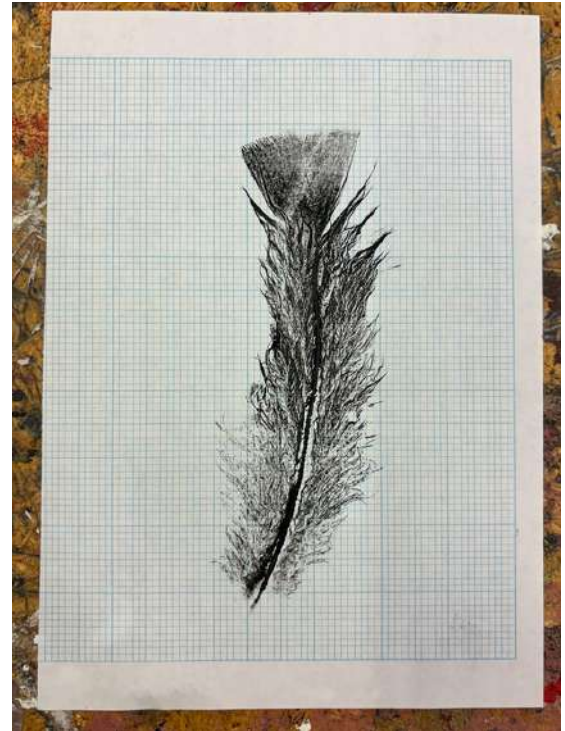
Students spent time preparing their clay tile base, adding textures to the surface and very carefully cutting out shapes to apply to the tile.



YEAR 9 MONOPRINTING

Year 9 art students tried monoprinting in their lesson last week. This was a first try at this technique for the class and the results were fantastic!

Students used found objects such as leaves and feathers to monoprint onto different backgrounds, such as fabric and interesting papers.



ROYAL COLLEGE OF ART YOUNG ARTIST SUMMER SHOW

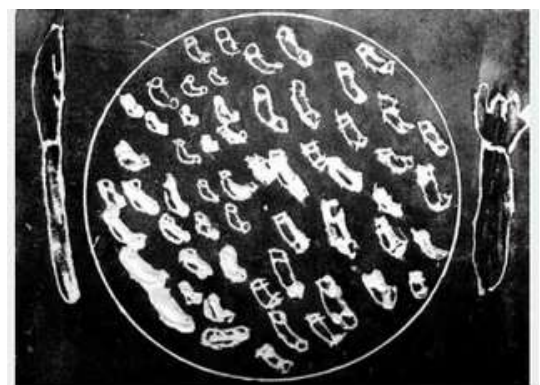


youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk

Submissions for the young artist summer show at The Royal school of Art open on **Monday 8th January - the window to submit artwork will be open until 27th March.**

The Royal College of Art is an extremely prestigious institution, artwork submitted will be judged and exhibited at the Royal College summer show which has been held every summer since 1769.

There is no set theme for submissions and artwork can be created with any material or process. The only rule is you must be aged between 4 and 19. **Speak to the Art Department if you'd like to enter a piece of artwork or visit the link for some more information.**



I Love Mac 'N' Cheese!

Rosie, Age 7

Prizewinner



The Welsh Valleys

Collaboration, Brynmenyn Primary School, Year 5

Prizewinner



The Crisp Sandwich

Kate, Age 16

Prizewinner



Murmuration

Sofia, Age 9

Prizewinner

ART FORUM - WOLVERHAMPTON ART GALLERY

Art forum is an arts youth group based at Wolverhampton art gallery where **young people aged between 14 - 25** can try a range of art activities, produce artwork, gain volunteering/work experience in the arts, meet and work with artists and industry professionals.

Art Forum is FREE to attend and sessions take place on Wednesdays 5pm-7pm at Wolverhampton Art Gallery.

Upcoming Art Forum sessions:

- 17 January 2024
- 31 January 2024
- 7 February 2024
- 21 February 2024
- 6 March 2024
- 20 March 2024

For details and to book a place, email Ros:
RosalindManasseh@gmail.com

Or contact the art gallery:
artforum@wolverhampton.gov.uk
01902 552033.

As a member of ArtForum you can:

- Learn about how the gallery works
- Go on research trips to other galleries / meet other arts groups
- Meet new friends that share an interest in creative subjects
- Share what you already know and learn something new
- Meet and work with arts and gallery professionals
- See behind the scenes and get involved with events at the gallery
- Learn about careers in the arts
- Gain volunteering / work experience opportunities in the arts sector



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CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

Thankyou to all of the students that took the time to design and enter a card into the Christmas card competition, it was a tough choice deciding on a winner!

We picked Art department winners and runners up - see their entries below ..

Winner - Charlie Tran Year 7



CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

Runners Up ...



Amira Dramani -Year 7



Maegan Bahia - Year 8