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CHAMPIONING *CREATIVE* EDUCATION

Creativity is a key which may unlock the solution to some of the most important challenges we face as a human race. To be successful in navigating global pandemics, climate change, and the fourth industrial revolution we need to be innovative and collaborative. We need to connect with our communities and our environment, working with passion to meet these challenges together.

Our Schools and Colleges team at AUB are dedicated to championing creative education and supporting teachers and advisers to empower their students with the skills, knowledge and opportunities to pursue their creative talents into Higher Education and beyond.

In this guide, you'll find a range of activities and resources designed to help broaden your students' perspectives on where a creative pathway could lead them.

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OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITIES FOR 2023-24

Category Title	Event Title	Subject Area	Location	Target Audience	Gatsby Benchmark	Date
Campus Visits	<i>Campus Visits</i>	All AUB Courses	AUB Campus	Years 7-13	7	Anytime
Foundation Visits	<i>Foundation Fast-Track Day</i>	Foundation	AUB Campus	Year 13	7	22 November
Portfolio Day	<i>Portfolio Preparation Day</i>	Progression to HE	AUB Campus	Years 12-13	7	24 November
Workshops	<i>Contemporary Art, Exhibition Curation and Ian McKeever</i>	Art and Design	AUB Campus	Year 12	7	Nov-Dec subject to availability, please enquire
	<i>I Can't Draw Workshop Days</i>	Arts and Communication	AUB Campus	Years 7-8	7	Upon request
	<i>Dance Workshop: 'Silence - The Sound of Me'</i>	Dance	AUB Campus	Years 10-12	7	24 January
AUB Productions Theatre Shows	<i>Spring Awakening</i>	Acting, Costume, Make-up, Performance Design	AUB Campus	Year 12+	4, 7	2 November
	<i>Therese Raquin</i>	Acting, Costume, Make-up, Performance Design	AUB Campus	Year 9+	4, 7	16 November
	<i>Wolves of Willoughby Chase</i>	Acting, Costume, Make-up, Performance Design	AUB Campus	Year 7+	4, 7	30 November
	<i>Ballad of Maria Marten</i>	Acting, Costume, Make-up, Performance Design	Palace Court Theatre	Year 8+	4, 7	14 March
	<i>La Casa Nova</i>	Acting, Costume, Make-up, Performance Design	Palace Court Theatre	Year 7+	4, 7	15 May
	<i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i>	Acting, Costume, Make-up, Performance Design	Palace Court Theatre	Year 7+	4, 7	30 May
Dance Shows	<i>Silence - The Sound of Me</i>	Dance, Performance Design	Pavilion Dance South West	Year 9+	4, 7	8 December
	<i>Launchpad</i>	Dance	Pavilion Dance South West	Year 9+	4, 7	10 January
	<i>Day of Dance</i>	Dance	AUB Campus	Year 7+	7	14 March
	<i>Springboard</i>	Dance	Pavilion Dance South West	Year 7+	4, 7	6 June
Summer Show Visits	<i>Summer Show Visits</i>	All AUB Foundation and BA Courses	AUB Campus	Years 7-12	7	June/July (exact dates TBC)
Presentations	<i>Creative Careers</i>	Progression to HE	AUB campus /in-school/virtual	Years 7-12	7	Anytime
	<i>Researching Your Options For Creative HE Courses</i>	Progression to HE	AUB campus /in-school/virtual	Years 12-13	7	Anytime
	<i>An Introduction to AUB</i>	Progression to HE	AUB campus /in-school/virtual	Years 10-12	7	Anytime
	<i>Developing Your Portfolio</i>	Progression to HE	AUB campus /in-school/virtual	Years 12-13	7	Anytime
	<i>Personal Statements for Creative Courses</i>	Progression to HE	AUB campus /in-school/virtual	Years 12-13	7	Anytime
	<i>Making a UCAS Application</i>	Progression to HE	AUB campus /in-school/virtual	Years 12-13	7	Anytime
	<i>Student Finance Explained</i>	Progression to HE	AUB campus /in-school/virtual	Years 12-13	7	Anytime
	<i>Student Life</i>	Progression to HE	AUB campus /in-school/virtual	Years 10-12	2, 4, 7	Anytime

IN-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Our in-school activities are designed to fit easily into an assembly, tutor time or class session to give students an insight into the opportunities that are out there when planning their next steps.

Whether it's guidance on putting together a portfolio, de-mystifying Student Finance or delving into the world of the creative industries, our sessions are designed to engage, inform and inspire.

Where possible, our team will be happy to travel to your school or college to deliver these sessions, but we can also deliver all sessions virtually.

PRESENTATIONS

Creative Careers

Years 7-12 | 30 minutes or 60 minutes

Artists and makers are fundamental to creating so many aspects of our society – some a little more surprising than others. Your students will learn about the many exciting career pathways within the creative industries and how they could turn their creative talent into a rewarding career.

Researching Your Options For Creative HE Courses

Years 12-13 | 60 minutes

How do you know which institution – and which course – is right for you? This talk will help your students navigate the options available to them and provide them with resources, tools and tips to make confident and well-informed choices about their next steps.

An Introduction to AUB

Years 10-12 | 30 minutes or 60 minutes

This presentation introduces Arts University Bournemouth and our range of specialist creative courses as well as an insight into life as a university student at a creative arts institution.

Developing Your Portfolio

Years 12-13 | 60 minutes

What do creative arts universities look for in a portfolio? In this presentation, we'll show your students how to put together a portfolio that showcases the best of their creative ability, discuss some inspiring examples and explain the formats students can use to present their work.

Personal Statements for Creative Courses

Years 12-13 | 60 minutes

Personal statements are a crucial part of applying to Higher Education. We'll show your students how to shine in a personal statement for creative subjects and take them through the first steps of drafting their own personal statement in this interactive presentation.

Making a UCAS Application

Years 12-13 | 60 minutes

This presentation will guide your students through the UCAS application process. We'll cover the key dates you need to know and all stages of the application process, from researching institutions to submitting the application.

Student Finance Explained

Years 12-13 | 60 minutes

This presentation can be delivered to both students and parents and will clarify the often-daunting world of Student Finance. We'll explain the jargon and talk through the process of making a loan application, the financial support available and how repayments work. We'll also cover the key considerations when it comes to the cost of living as a student.

Student Life

Years 10-13 | 30 minutes

What's it really like to study at university? What's daily life like living in Halls of Residence? What's a Students Union and how can you meet people who share your interests at uni? This short talk offers an insight into the common questions asked by students when thinking about applying for university.

CAREERS AND HE FAIRS

We always welcome invitations to attend Higher Education Fairs, Careers Fairs and information evenings at schools and colleges.

DOWNLOADABLE LESSON RESOURCES

We have a range of learning resources that can support and inspire your teaching in the classroom.

Created by our tutors, TheGallery curators and subject experts, these resources are designed to help support your teaching and connect your students to the work and ideas of artists from different disciplines, as well as insights into creative career pathways.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

PRESENTATIONS: To request a presentation please use the booking form on our Schools Hub webpages at aub.ac.uk/schools-hub

CAREERS FAIRS: If you've an upcoming event, please get in touch via schools@aub.ac.uk to let us know.

LESSON RESOURCES: Visit our Schools Hub webpages to download your digital copy.





ON-CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

Our campus is a hive of artistic activity and a microcosm of the creative industries all in one place. We run a range of on-campus activities throughout the year so that your students can experience life at an arts university first-hand.

CAMPUS VISITS

Years 7-13 | Anytime | Half day

A visit to our lively campus will be one to remember! Your students can enjoy a guided tour of our cutting-edge facilities, discovering our unique creative spaces and gaining a valuable first-hand insight into life on a university campus.

This half-day visit can include two of the following three sessions (depending on time of year and availability):

- A presentation from our Schools Outreach team (more details on presentation topics on p6).
- A talk and department tour from one of our courses.
- A guided visit to our on-site gallery, TheGallery.

FOUNDATION FAST-TRACK DAY

Year 13 | 22 November | Full day

For students applying to our Foundation course, the Foundation Fast-Track Day provides a perfect opportunity to meet our tutors and current students and get a taste of what the course involves. All students will have the opportunity to send their portfolio in advance for a one-to-one review with the course team on the day, with the potential to receive a fast-track offer for a place in 2024.

PORTFOLIO PREPARATION DAY

Years 12-13 | 24 November | Full day

Our Portfolio Day equips students with valuable information and advice on portfolio preparation on how to apply to AUB's Foundation and Undergraduate courses. Students will also hear from current AUB students about their experiences of applying to university and see real-life examples of successful portfolios to inspire and guide their own portfolio development.

EXHIBITION WORKSHOP DAYS

Our exhibition workshop days give students the chance to get stuck into practical arts workshops whilst exploring the themes of our contemporary art gallery exhibitions at TheGallery and the unique Museum of Design in Plastics. Led by our expert AUB tutors, activities will be themed around current exhibitions, with plenty of chance to explore our creative campus too.

Contemporary Art, Exhibition Curation and Ian McKeever

Year 12 | Thursdays or Fridays in Nov-Dec (please enquire) | Full day

In this immersive full day programme, students will explore TheGallery's Autumn exhibition featuring the Dorset based and internationally recognised contemporary British artist Ian McKeever, famous for his work merging photography and painting. In a hands-on workshop session, students will respond to and explore the possibilities of combining different mediums whilst investigating how the curation of an exhibition can affect a viewers interaction with the work. The group will also enjoy a tour of campus and a student panel session with current AUB students, to hear about their experiences studying creative subjects at university.

'I CAN'T DRAW' WORKSHOP DAYS

Years 7-8 | Upon request | Half day

I Can't Draw invites us to re-connect with our inbuilt ability to express ourselves and communicate through the making of marks. Not just with a pencil, but with anything and everything – cameras, light, movement, string, found objects, anything. This workshop will provide learners with a chance to get in touch with their creative instincts in a practical session led by our AUB tutors.

DANCE WORKSHOP DAY

Silence – The Sound of Me

Years 10-12 | 24 January | Half day

School groups are invited to attend this workshop as a follow-up from AUB Dance's December live performance 'Silence – The Sound of Me' (see page 10). Dive behind the curtain of this inspiring production for a day of creative expression through movement.

SUMMER SHOW VISITS

Years 7-13 | Exact dates will be published in Spring Term | Half day

Our Summer Shows are the highlight of the year at AUB! A showcase of our graduates' final major projects, the campus comes alive with colour and creativity. Our Summer Shows are held in June/July with one week for our Foundation course and another week for our Undergraduate courses. Your visit will include a guided tour around the shows, with optional interactive worksheet activities to complete.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

WORKSHOPS: For more information please email schools@aub.ac.uk

ALL OTHER ACTIVITIES: For more information and to book places please visit our 'On Campus Activities' page on the Schools Hub aub.ac.uk/page/schools-hub

THEATRE AND DANCE SHOWS

Each year, AUB Productions deliver a series of collaborative live productions, involving students from Acting, Costume, Performance Design and Make-up courses. Our Dance course also hosts performances throughout the year at Bournemouth's Pavilion Dance South West theatre. These productions include exclusive Open Dress Rehearsal shows open to school and college groups. This is an incredible opportunity for your students to experience the thrill of live performance and learn about how many disciplines work together to create a production.

From 2023 onwards, AUB Productions are also proud to introduce a new touring production, taking one of our shows on the road to be performed in your school or college. For more information about how you could get involved, please email schools@aub.ac.uk

UPCOMING THEATRE SHOWS

Spring Awakening

Year 12+ | 2 November | AUB Studio Theatre

Spring Awakening, completed in 1891, is a highly controversial and ground-breaking play that tells the story of schoolchildren in fin-de-siècle provincial Germany, whose discovery of their budding sexual feelings within a society that tries to silence and control them, ultimately leads to tragedy.

Therese Raquin

Year 9+ | 16 November | AUB Studio Theatre

A story of lust, madness and destruction set in the backstreets of Paris. Based on Emile Zola's classic novel.

Wolves of Willoughby Chase

Year 7+ | 30 November | AUB Studio Theatre

'Once upon a time that never was.'

A thrilling adventure set in an alternative history of England, The Wolves of Willoughby Chase tells the story of two brave and determined girls as they fight against ferocious wolves, snowy wastelands and their very evil guardian, Miss Slighcarp.

Ballad of Maria Marten

Year 8+ | 14 March | Palace Court Theatre

The murder of Maria Marten is a story that has been told and retold for the last two hundred years, with much lip-smacking enthusiasm for the gruesome details and unsubtle musings over whether or not she 'deserved it'. Here is the reversal of that telling. It's the story of Maria's murder, but it's an un-murdering.

La Casa Nova

Year 7+ | 15 May | Palace Court Theatre

From the writer of The Servant of Two Masters, this Venetian comedy is one of Carlo Goldoni's mature masterpieces. Poking fun at the bourgeoisie, it focuses on two key themes: economic squandering, and the useless urge to impress people, when self-control and moral rectitude are more important for personal fulfilment.

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Year 7+ | 30 May | Palace Court Theatre

A William Shakespeare classic. Four young lovers find themselves lost in a magical forest, where the Fairy King and Queen are fighting for the possession of a changeling boy. A group of amateur actors head to the same forest to rehearse for a play. Humans and fairies collide and hilarity ensues.

UPCOMING DANCE SHOWS

Silence – The Sound of Me

Year 9+ | 8 December | Pavilion Dance South West

When life is moving at a breakneck speed, it can feel as if we have no time left to simply do nothing. This original piece of contemporary dance theatre explores the things we can do to become more present in a world where we seem to be becoming ever more absent.

LISTEN and SILENT have the same letters. It means when someone is SILENT then LISTEN, for silence speaks volumes.

Launchpad – 3rd year original 'scratch' night performances

Year 9+ | 18 January | Pavilion Dance South West

Final year AUB Dance students showcase their own creative and choreographic ideas as small companies, testing out their work on the audience, including AUB Dance's famous 'feedback speed dating'.

Day of Dance

Year 7+ | 14 March | AUB Campus

Our annual campus dance event, where AUB Dance students create and produce their own work to 'animate' campus. Expect the unexpected, in unexpected places.

Please note – this performance takes place as a walking tour around campus. Due to the nature of the performance, smaller groups are preferable.

Springboard – AUB Dance Community Platform

Year 7+ | 6 June, 19.00 | Pavilion Dance South West

Our end of year AUB Dance celebration, showcasing work from all three years of our degree course as well as allowing our creative partners a chance to share their work too.



Book your 2023 AUB visit and discover how you can

NURTURE
YOUR CREATIVITY.

ENGAGE
COMMUNITIES.

COLLABORATE
WITH INDUSTRY.

MAKE
A DIFFERENCE.

VISIT US
AT AN OPEN DAY.



Open Days

23 September | 7 October | 4 November | 2 December

aub.ac.uk/open-days

Our Open Days are a fantastic opportunity for students to get a feel for studying with us. Students will have the chance to hear from current students and lecturers, ask all their burning questions and find out what life is like as an #AUBMAKER

Travel funding is available for schools and colleges group bookings. Please email **schools@aub.ac.uk** for more information. Students can also book themselves onto an Open Day directly via our website, if they are coming alone or with parents or guardians.





Creative industries are a **huge part** of the UK's economy.

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*Statistics from Creative Industries UK, 2022

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CREATIVE FUTURES **TEACHERS AND ADVISERS CPD CONFERENCE**

10 JULY 2024 | FULL DAY

Our free annual conference for teacher and advisers explores current issues and themes in creative education and the wider creative industries.

Bringing together creative educators and careers advisers in secondary, Further Education and Higher Education, along with industry professionals from across the creative sectors, this is an event not to be missed.

The programme will be full of lively conversations and interactive sessions designed to excite and empower educators working with young people and share knowledge to support the development of creative pathways.



HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Bookings will open in Spring Term – keep an eye on our Schools Hub webpages and our email newsletter for the link to sign up.

WIDENING ACCESS TO AUB

All those with the potential to benefit from higher education, no matter their background, deserve the opportunity to do so. At Arts University Bournemouth, we're committed to making that happen.

We value our strong relationships with schools, colleges, and the community in delivering activity to widen access to opportunities in creative education and employment.

WHAT WE DO

To meet our strategic commitment in widening access to creative educational opportunity, Arts University Bournemouth work closely with schools and colleges to provide an extensive programme of outreach activities with groups who are currently underrepresented in Higher Education.

This includes students living in neighbourhoods with historically low participation in Higher Education, those encountering barriers related to their socio-economic circumstance, and those navigating a range of other challenges which have been linked with inequality of access to university.

We work with parents and supporters, teachers, advisers, and community partners to:

- Provide educational activities and opportunities aligned with successful participation in Higher Education. Our activities are designed to enable young people to frame studying at Arts University Bournemouth as an expectation should they decide that a creative degree is right for them.
- Support students' transition from school/college to university, helping them to acclimatise to study within Higher Education, making the most of their time as a student.
- Engage in activities exploring how our degrees link to careers in the creative industries once students graduate into the world of work, gaining the necessary resources to start their career as a successful creative graduate.
- Provide financial assistance to eligible students for things like food, transport and educational trips.

OPPORTUNITIES

Our widening access activities are open to students who meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Received Free School Meals during at any point during your school studies.
- Been in local authority care or looked after for three months or more OR are estranged from your family.
- Are a Young Carer.
- Have a parent who has served, or is currently serving, in the armed forces.
- Current home postcode shows that you live in an area with low levels of progression to Higher Education (Postcodes within the lowest 2 POLAR4 quintiles).
- Current home postcode shows that you live in an area that falls within the lowest 20% of the Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD).





ALL ACCESS AUB: OUR POST-16 ACCESS PROGRAMME

Our All Access AUB scheme is the first of its kind. An intensive, engaging programme of activity for students from underrepresented groups, specifically designed to support entry to creative Higher Education.



All Access AUB Participants will:

- Take part in a fully-funded residential summer school during the summer, exploring and experimenting with different mediums to build a strong portfolio of work.
- Have their work included as part of an industry-standard art exhibition at AUB’s TheGallery.
- Be invited, alongside friends and family, to an exclusive private view of their work.
- Receive one-to-one support from expert artists and designers in the development of their portfolio.
- Attend a ‘transition to creative HE’ event in their second year of Sixth Form or College
- Be given extra consideration at the point of admission to AUB, including a reduced offer of up to two grades.
- Support from a dedicated progression mentor through the AUB application process and beyond.

Applications for All Access AUB open in March each year.

BEING A BOY: PRE-16 STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Being a Boy project engages in activity to tackle the disparity in GCSE outcomes for working-class boys. Being a Boy provides space for young men to creatively engage with the role of masculinity in their day-to-day lives, and to reflect on what it means for them in school and beyond. aub.ac.uk/being-a-boy

The Being a Boy project provides a number of fully-funded places on selected workshops such as Creative Writing, Movement and Photography. The sessions explore the themes of masculinity and identity. They provide a creative channel for participants to reflect on what being a young man means to them, and an innovative mechanism to conduct an exploration of the possible implications for their future health, happiness and educational success.

The 2024 Being a Boy workshop series will run from May – July 2024 with the series lineup announced in February 2024 at the Celebration event for the Being a Boy 2023 Workshop Series, which you are welcome to attend to learn more about the project.



FUNDED PLACES ON AUB SATURDAY ART SCHOOL AND SHORT COURSES

At AUB we offer a select number of funded places for students who meet the eligibility criteria on our Saturday Art School and Short Course programmes. Catering for a range of ages, these practical, creative course have been especially curated for budding designers aged to explore and deepen their subject knowledge, providing a taste of a range of different creative disciplines. aub.ac.uk/sas-funded-places

CARE EXPERIENCED AND FOSTER FAMILIES FUN DAYS

Festive Fun Day | 19 December
Easter Fun Day | 9 April

AUB, in partnership with AECC and Bournemouth University, host free Family Fun Days for anyone who has experienced care and foster families.

These free, fun-filled days offer creative and sporty activities for the whole family. With the opportunity to explore both AUB and BU’s campuses and find out more about Higher Education.



HOW TO GET INVOLVED

More information about Access and Participation activities can be found via our Schools Hub webpages at aub.ac.uk/schools-hub. To find out more and speak to the team, please get in touch at wp@aub.ac.uk

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