

Information Sheet

Forging your Development - Arts Award

Arts Award

The Arts Award is a national qualification which recognises young people's development as artists and leaders. For more information visit www.artsaward.org.uk

- The award is a personal learning programme which develops and assesses both arts-related and transferable skills, such as creativity, communication, planning and teamwork
- Young people aged 11–25 can achieve awards that are recognised by the Qualifications and Curriculum Authority on the National Qualifications Framework at Levels 1, 2 and 3
- The award was launched in 2005 by Arts Council England and Trinity Guildhall

The Arts Award is run through a partnership between Arts Council England and Trinity Guildhall.

The Forge & Arts Award

The Forge is one of the regional training license holders to deliver both public and in-house Arts Award training in the North East. We are also part of a pilot programme to deliver new courses.

Public courses are courses advertised on the www.artsaward.org.uk that anyone who fits the person specification can book onto via the website. Each individual is invoiced by Trinity Guildhall for the course fee (see Arts Award information sheet for costs).

In-house tailor made courses are courses booked by a host organisation, where there is a minimum of 8 people to train. The host pays Trinity Guildhall a fee for all their trainees and cover the costs of the venue and refreshments. Training agencies (**THE FORGE**) invoice the host organisation (**YOUR ORGANISATION/GROUP**) directly for their agreed fee.

Pilot courses:

- **Getting going with the Arts Award for advisers** is a course for advisers who are embarking on delivering or planning to deliver an Arts Award project. The aim of the day is to refresh understanding of the Arts Award at Bronze/Silver levels.
- **Arts Award refresher for advisers** is a refresher course for advisers who trained a while ago, or feel they need a bit more detail about how assessment or moderation works.
- **Overview of Arts Award for managers** is a course for those that are planning to oversee, fundraise for or manage an Arts Award project. Providing you with the facts, the benefits, and the insight you need into how Arts Award is run, as well as identify how it fits into other initiatives and policies. This course does not enable you to be a registered Arts Award adviser.
- **Arts Award Welcome** is a kitemark which shows that a cultural organisation understands and supports the Arts Award, and welcomes young people and centres working towards awards. This short training introduces the Arts Award and helps organisations to plan their offer. (TBC)

The Forge

Stanley Education Centre, King Edward VIII Terrace, Shield Row, Stanley, COUNTY DURHAM, DH9 0HQ
T: 01207 284 515 F: 01207 288 111 E: enquiries@intheforge.com

The Forge regularly advertise the training sessions, please visit for more information
<http://www.intheforge.com/ForgingDevelopment.html>.

To book course please visit www.artsaward.org.uk

Please discuss any In-house training with us, as we are open and flexible to make this as simple and feasible as possible.

Any questions?

- Call The Forge on 01207 284 515, fax 01207 288 111 or email enquiries@intheforge.com

Regional Contact details:

Arts Award Regional Development Co-ordinator, Arts Council England, North East

Tel: 0191 255 8561 **Fax** 0191 230 1020 **Email** northeast@artsaward.org.uk

National Contact details:

The Arts Award helpdesk is at **020 7820 6178**

Email: enquiries@artsaward.org.uk **Web:** www.artsaward.org.uk

The Forge Contact details:

Cheryl Gallagher

Programme and Communications development Director (*with responsibility for Arts Award*)

Email: cheryl@intheforge.com **Web:** www.intheforge.com