

Course Title: BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate in Performing Arts: Acting



Course Information:

This BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate in Performing Arts: Acting aims to offer the student a highly practical and professional introduction to the world of theatre and performance. The course is equivalent to one A – Level and is accepted by most Universities. Ideally, candidates interested in this course should have taken BTEC Tech Award in Performing Arts, or GCSE Drama. However, students that meet the entry requirements and present a high level of interest or have had practical Drama experience outside school may be considered. You will, however, need to audition in front of Miss Village-Free to assess your performing ability.

Assessment and Content:

During this two year course you will complete four units: **Unit 1: Investigating Practitioners Work** - This is a written investigation (exam) that is explored through independent research and practical exploration during lessons. You will study the theories of two Drama practitioners, you will then sit a three hour exam to write up your investigation - this unit is marked externally by the exam board.

Unit 2: Developing Skills and Techniques for Live Performance - You will research, rehearse and perform two pieces to a live audience. You will develop your skills along the way by experimenting with a wide range of texts, you will also do regular skills audits and a performance log which is a bit like a scrap book of your rehearsal process. At the end of the year you will also prepare and deliver a presentation to the group.

Unit 3: Group Performance Workshop - In a group of 3-7 you will devise a performance based on a certain stimulus. You will research, rehearse and perform this piece to a live audience and keep a log of your process.

Final unit: Based on the strengths of the cohort, the choice of which unit to do last will be up to class and staff. There are many options to choose from!

Careers:

This course offers students an opportunity to follow several different career paths. The skills used in this course will provide you with an array of positive factors that you can use in any career; team work, dedication, presenting to an audience, confidence, responsibility and organisation. The course will also appeal to you if you wish to enter the teaching profession or any professional arena where you may have to address an audience. This course offers an excellent foundation for students wishing to go to University to follow a Theatre Studies or Drama degree.

DRAMA

BTEC LEVEL 3

PEARSON/EDEXCEL

2 YEARS

ENTRY
REQUIREMENTS:
DRAMA GCSE/BTEC
AT GRADE B/MERIT

ENGLISH GCSE AT
GRADE B/5

ASSESSMENT AND
UNITS:

Unit 1 – Externally assessed

Unit 2 – Internally assessed
and externally standardised.

Unit 3 – Externally Assessed

Final Unit - Internally
assessed and externally
standardised.