

Hastings and Rother Arts Champions

Information for schools

What is it?

The Arts Champion scheme is being developed by Hastings and Rother Arts Education Network which is one of a number of arts education networks in the south east supported by Artsworld, the Bridge Organisation for the south east. The scheme is being devised to create a platform for young people to:

Lead and develop activities in schools and in the locality

Connect and participate in the wider arts and cultural offer in Hastings and Rother

Celebrate achievements in the arts

Complement other arts and participation initiatives in schools

What's involved?

Participating schools would need to:

- Recruit 6-12 Arts Champions in their school from years 7-9
- Provide a dedicated staff lead to support the group in their activities
- Help Arts Champions connect with the wider school and local primaries
- Be open to supporting young people through Arts Award, considering Artsmark

The network will provide:

- three meetings per year offering a platform for schools and young people to meet and develop ideas
- a website through which to promote and share good practice in schools
- opportunities for young people to take part in arts and cultural programmes in the area
- School celebration events each year
- A conduit for fundraising and development

What do I need to do?

Fill in the form, identifying the named staff lead and signed by your headteacher.



Arts Champion Scheme

School Expression of Interest

Name:

School:

Email:

Tel:

What interests you in the Arts Champion Scheme and how could it connect with wider school developments?

Signature:

Name (Lead Contact)

Signature:

Name (Senior Management Sponsor)



Be an Arts Champion! Info for young people

Are you passionate about being creative?

Are you looking for more opportunities to develop your skills and interests?

Being an arts champion is your chance to grow your skills and make a difference. Organised by the Hastings and Rother Arts Network, the Arts Champions scheme is designed to equip young people to help shape and develop what's on offer for creative young people in the area. From schools, to museums, galleries and performance spaces, we want to see young people having more opportunity to get involved.

So what's involved?

As an Arts Champion you will be one of 6-12 young people in your school that:

- Meet termly with other arts champions at different arts venues
- Develop your own arts projects
- Lead and develop activities in local feeder primaries
- Review arts activity in your school and in other schools in the area
- Find out about arts and cultural programmes in the locality
- Promote activities or opportunities to your peers in school
- Access to workshops with artists/theatre groups etc, free tickets to performances
- Share and talk about the good things that are happening
- Get your bronze or silver arts award as part of the process

So what kind of people are we looking for?

Arts Champions will be all the better for a range of skills. You might be someone who:

- has a real passion for the arts and is looking to do more
- likes working as a team and wants to develop projects
- likes to make things happen
- has a passion for social media and communication
- is looking for interesting things to do



Arts Champions will be recruited for a year in the first instance. You will need to be prepared to commit time in and out of school. Each group of arts champions will have a dedicated

Be an Arts Champion! Application Form

Name:

School:

Email:

Tel:

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Signature:

Name (Lead Contact)

Signature:

Name (Senior Management Sponsor)

Thank you for filling this in.
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