

# fine art.

A Level Preparation Pack



## Overview

The Fine Art department is very much looking forward to welcoming you in September. Fine Art is a diverse subject which will help you improve and develop your creative thinking and practical skill base. We will help you to see the world in a different way, to express your thoughts and to provide you with skills to develop a personal creative language. To help you step up to sixth form study, we have set out a range of resources for you to have a

look at over the next few months so that you feel confident that you have chosen a subject that you will enjoy and that is right for you.



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Teacher of Fine Art

## What is Fine Art?

Dominic Shepherd discusses what fine art actually is:  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sIsN9\\_TsQgl](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sIsN9_TsQgl)

## Activities

Look at the following video on YouTube and use this as inspiration to create your own recycled sculpture. Anything considered 'no longer needed' can be used to create our art. Artist gives recycled materials new life: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ap9NFCiz4HI>

23 home photography projects: the best ideas for staying creative in lockdown. Look at the following website and explore the different photography projects available, all you need is your smart phone. <https://www.techradar.com/uk/how-to/52-photography-projects-a-great-technique-to-try-every-week-of-the-year>

## Suggested Reading & Podcasts

**Podcast: ArtCurious No.6** - <https://www.artistsnetwork.com/artist-life/12-art-podcasts-inspiration/>

- Think art history is boring? Think again. It's weird, funny, mysterious and liberating. Who is Banksy, really? Did Van Gogh actually kill himself? Why were the Impressionists so great?

**Podcast: The Tate - The Art of Protest**

- How do art and protest meet? We explore acts of defiance with artists, poets and activists. <https://www.tate.org.uk/art/artists/jeremy-deller-3034/art-protest>

## TV & Film

- **Age of the image: Series 1:4.** Fake Views - James Fox explores how the image has become both more powerful and less trusted than ever before - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000gnzv/age-of-the-image-series-1-4-fake-views>
- **Ted Talks: Tim Harford** - A powerful way to unleash your natural creativity - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yjYrxcGSWX4>
- **Ted Talks: Scott Mallory** - How to See Like an Artist - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mqlMtpXKsEY>
- **Portrait Artist Of The Year 2020:** Series 6 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PZqflWosxa4>
- **SELFIE: Tai Schierenberg** - selfies and self portraits - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LzaeiAw4RYQ>
- **Jin Fengshi: Portrait Series 76** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GzOVaihXRc4>
- BBC: Travels with Vasari - part one <https://youtu.be/IZ31OKYfass>
- Vermeer: Master of Light - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DEior-0inxU>
- BBC TWO Documentary: **Picasso's Last Stand** - [https://youtu.be/9tkbg2\\_YQgw](https://youtu.be/9tkbg2_YQgw)
- BBC Documentary: **Who's Afraid of Conceptual Art** - [https://youtu.be/awp-Vx\\_9Fbw](https://youtu.be/awp-Vx_9Fbw)
- Exhibition on Screen: **David Hockney RA** - <https://youtu.be/-RjpQMjKUrw>
- BBC Documentary: **Robert Rauschenberg - Pop Art Pioneer** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yELmPbQNx9M>

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