

MUSIC, MEDIA & PERFORMING ARTS NEWSLETTER

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The start of the new academic year has seen a great deal of activity across the Media and Performing Arts Department at Fareham College.

LEVEL 3 AND HIGHER NATIONAL CERTIFICATE (HNC) IN MUSIC

SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER:

Wednesday 29 September – A Tribute to Charlie Watts. Level 3 Year 1 and Year 2 students performed songs by The Rolling Stones at Treehouse Theatre 141 as a tribute to the drummer Charlie Watts. Level 4 students carried out music production roles contributing to a successful and well organised event.





NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER:

Friday 12 November – Solent Sound Introduction. Level 3 Year 2 students visited Solent University in Southampton for an introduction to Solent Sound. Bands from local colleges will compete in the Solent Sound event in April. This is a great way for our students to see the university's facilities and get a feel for university life. Fareham College have won four times in the past.

Thursday 2 December – Christmas Showcase. Level 3 Year 1 and Year 2 and Level 4 students performed at the professional 750 capacity venue The 1865 in Southampton. They played the songs they have been rehearsing this term, all by British artists from the 60's and 70's. Level 3 Year 2 students undertook music production roles to ensure a professionally run event.



LEVEL 2, LEVEL 3 AND HIGHER NATIONAL CERTIFICATE (HNC) IN MEDIA

SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER:

- Media and Performing Arts students were invited to attend an open day at Portsmouth university and had the chance to attend taster sessions and talks on a range of courses to help them plan their next steps after college.
- Live streaming training continued as Media students broadcast events including the Performing Arts Showcase, The Academy Barbering Simon Shaw guest speaker, The Academy Aesthetics launch and the Remembrance Service. Students operated cameras, directed crew and live-cut vision of events, outputting to viewers on YouTube. Students worked collaboratively to gain professional work experience for their portfolios.
- Media Production and Photography students received training using some of the latest drone technologies, DJI Mavic Mini 2. This kit will enrich our students' work and experience, learning aerial videography and photography. Students will also learn the rules and regulations of aerial photography and will be required to obtain a legal Flyer ID.
- Level 4 Media students completed postproduction on a video to publicise Fareham Borough Council's new Clip and Collect Garden Waste Scheme. The video was shot using the College's Black Magic Pro-Movie camera and provided our students with the opportunity to develop their cinematography and editing skills on a project for a real-world client. Click here to view the video.

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER:

Art and Media students joined forces to celebrate Fareham Train Station's 180th Anniversary in November. Their work was exhibited in the station at the end of November, following the official ceremony. Students undertook valuable community work experience hours in the local community, it was a real privilege to join in this celebration!





- Year 2 Media students have been invited to create a series of videos for the GB sitting volleyball coaching set up. Students will be filming and editing a series of training routines that will be shared via YouTube to help coaches across the UK plan their coaching sessions.
- A trip to Warner Bros. (London) is on the cards for our Media students to explore possible avenues of employment, recognise the impact of what a franchise does, and study the characteristics of what is deemed to be high quality work within the industry to set standards of work and progression requirements.
- Students from across the media department visited Brighton Film and Screen School to take part in a series of workshops including a chance to reshoot a scene from a famous movie and to use state of the art slow motion cameras. The trip will provide a chance for students to learn more about progression routes into the film industry as generating material for their showreels.
- Year 2 Media Production students visited Solent University for a bespoke taster day in their state-of-the-art Film and TV Studios. They took part in a News Day production, with crews operating the television studio and others capturing reports working closely with current Solent students.



LEVEL 3 PERFORMING ARTS/BOXED UP THEATRE COMPANY

SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER:

The students performed in their first showcase in our Theatre 141 demonstrating their technical and performance skills in Musical Theatre, Dance and Acting for four live performances. The students were excited to invite a full live audience with no restrictions for these performances as well as live streaming them to schools and the public online.



A member of our student alumni visited to offer a Musical Theatre workshop giving our current students a valuable insight into the audition process and the expectations of a practical class at higher education level.



The students attended a Dance Insight Day at Chichester University where they watched a performance by the inhouse dance companies, were able to pose questions about the courses available and what life as a performing arts university student is like and take part in a contemporary dance class.



Currently the students are working on using their technical and performance skills for working in front of a camera with simulated tv interviews, dance music videos and radio dramas allowing them to focus on a different aspect of the industry and the demands of a performer. They will be collaborating closely with the Theatrical Make-up students to add an extra element of responsibility to enhance their experience and to bring their performances to life on camera.

LEVEL 3 PRODUCTION ARTS SPECIALIST MAKE-UP

SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER:

Specialist Make-up students worked hard to design and apply the hair and make-up for the Performing Arts students in a collaborative project for the October Showcase. They were successful in transforming the actors into their characters using a range of highly skilled techniques to make a strong contribution to the production, for our in-house theatre company, Boxed up Theatre.



Production Arts Make-up students enjoyed an exciting off-site trip to Warner Brothers, Harry Potter Studios in London. The educational workshop on 'The Art of Movie Make-up' was a great insight into the original silicone prosthetics and costumes used in the films. This was a fantastic way for our students to network and gain inspiration for their next up-and-coming Christmas project!

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER:

All Production Arts Make-up students have been given the exciting opportunity to attend and contribute to the exciting practical workshop at Pinewood Studios at HE level with Buckinghamshire University. This experience will help the students to gain an insight into their potential progression routes.

An exciting opportunity has been offered to the Make-up students to apply casualty make-up for a film set style WEX placement, on location for NARU (National Ambulance Resilience Unit). This training exercise is invaluable to the student experience and will mean students will learn how to work under tight time constraints, while building confidence and communication skills.

JANUARY

Students will attend Southampton Solent University to gain dexterity skills at an industry standard level in body paint or face painting. Students will then have content to document and add to their own blogs and professional portfolios.

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