

Purpose Statement

Open Awards Level 1 Award and Certificate in Performing Arts (RQF)

The primary purpose of these qualifications is to recognise the development of knowledge and skills regarding exploring opportunities in performing arts. These qualifications have been designed to enable you to explore this vocational area and gain skills and confidence in performing arts, which may lead to voluntary/paid employment.

Who are they for?

- All learners in all learning environments
- Those enhancing working skills
- Those who are preparing for working life

What do these qualifications cover?

To achieve the **Award**, you will have to complete 7 credits (70 hours of learning). For the **Certificate** you will have to complete 13 credits (130 hours of learning).

To gain either qualification you must complete a one credit mandatory unit in Exploring Opportunities in Performing Arts. With the remaining credit chosen from Option Group B which consists of the following units:

- Contribute to the Creation of a Group Drama Presentation
- Exploring Dance
- Exploring and Appreciating Music
- Improvisation Techniques
- Introduction to the Performing Arts
- Performance Skills
- Developing a Character and Persona

What are the Entry Requirements?

There are no age restrictions for working towards these qualifications and no specific prior achievements required.

What are the Assessment Methods?

You will be required to complete a portfolio of evidence to achieve these qualifications.

Types of evidence included in your portfolio could include:

- Videos/photographs
- Reflective journals
- Questions/answers
- Worksheets
- Recorded discussions with your tutor

What are the Progression Opportunities?

These qualifications have been developed to enable you to progression to further learning and/or employment.

You may choose to progress to further studies, such as:

- Open Awards Level 1 Award or Certificate in Employment Skills for the Creative and Cultural Industries (RQF)
- Other vocational qualifications at Level 1
- Supported Internships/Voluntary Work/other employment

Who supports these qualifications?

Our schools' sector is very keen to support these qualifications and they include (but is not limited to) Manor Academy, Abbots Lea School and Abbey Hill Academy.