Subject name

Visual Arts

Subject code

ART

Additional subject cost A \$55 consumables fee in Year 9 and \$40 in Semester 1 Year 10. Year 9 and 10 students may (schedule permitting) attend one excursion to Brisbane or Ipswich galleries costing approximately \$30.

Prerequisites

If this is the first time you have studied art other than in primary school or Year 8 you must be prepared to complete extra homework and to develop the design and production skills expected of Year 9 and 10 art students. The theory component of this course can be challenging and requires you to have a good understanding of written language.

Course overview

- explore and experiment with practical content related to Visual Art
- represent their ideas, thoughts, feelings and observations of the world in visual ways
- be exposed to a variety of art media and materials such as inks, acrylics, pastels, canvas, clay etc
- develop technical skill in art disciplines such as painting, drawing, printmaking, photography, sculpture, ceramics etc
- be exposed to art from different cultures and historical perspectives

Course outline

Students study three units of work per semester in Year 9 and one unit of work per term in Year 10. They will complete preliminary tasks and activities relating to two and three-dimensional art disciplines such as drawing, painting, ceramics, printmaking, sculpture, illustration and mixed media. Tasks may include poster design, storybook illustration, still life, junk sculpture, pattern, collage, portraiture, ceramic sculptures, fantasy fish sculpture, lino printing and surrealist painting. Students generate ideas and develop designs into finished artworks. The study of visual art theory is a key component of this subject.

Assessment

- preliminary practical tasks and experiments
- idea development in your visual journal
- a major practical artwork per unit of study e.g. major painting, drawing etc
- a written assignment per semester of study

Subject requirements

Students should expect to devote some time outside class time to the completion of practical and theoretical tasks. Art rooms are open to students during lunch times for this purpose. All students must have a basic kit of art equipment which includes:

- 2 x 2B pencils 1 x soft white eraser a basic set of felt pens a basic set of coloured pencils
- set of paint brushes available from the Textbook Office for cost price

Career opportunities

Advertising, archaeology, architecture, cartooning, decorating, digital media, fashion, film, fine arts, gallery, graphic artist, industrial design, interior design, museum, photography, publications, television, teaching and theatre.