### Why study Visual Arts?



Visual Arts involves students in artmaking, art criticism and art history.

Students develop their own artworks, culminating in a 'body of work' in the HSC course.

Students critically and historically investigate artworks, critics, historians and artists from Australia as well as those from other cultures, traditions and times.



## **Careers in Visual Arts**

Occupations where a study of Visual Arts would be useful are endless, but could include: -

Advertising Artist Airbrush Artist Art Director Art Teacher Assistant Curator Bank Note Designer Cartoonist Ceramic Artist **Costume Designer** Editorial Illustrator Environmental Designer Fabric Designer Greeting Card Illustrator Internet Web-page Designer Printing Layout Artist Topographer Advertising Designer Animator Art Critic

Art Exhibition Coordinator Courtroom Sketcher **Display Artist/Designer Fashion Designer Furniture Designer** Graphic Designer Motion Picture Animator Mural Artist Photojournalist Product Illustrator Still Photographer Toy Designer Urban Designer Aerial Photographer Art Historian Audio Visual Artist Film-maker Gallery Owner Graphics Art Technician Interior Decorator



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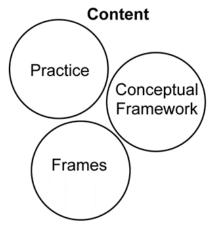


# **VISUAL ARTS**

This course provides students with the opportunity to develop their own artworks, culminating in a 'Body of Work' in the HSC course. Students engage in critical and historical study of the art world to investigate artists, artworks, worlds and audiences from a range of cultural, political, historical and social perspectives and use these to inform their own artmaking practices.

## **PRELIMINARY COURSE**

#### 120 hours (indicative)



#### **Course Requirements**

A focus on the key components and concepts that need to be known in the visual arts through:

- the content of practice, conceptual framework, frames
- making artworks in at least 2 forms
- use of a process diary
- broad investigation of ideas in art criticism and art history

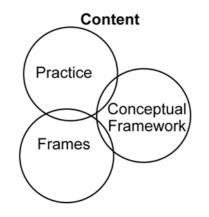
#### Assessment

#### School-based assessment:

- artmaking (50%)
- art criticism and art history (50%)

## **HSC COURSE**

#### 120 hours (indicative)



#### **Course Requirements**

A focus on more interpretive investigations and relationships through:

- the content of practice, conceptual framework, frames
- the development of a body of work
- use of a process diary
- investigation of content through at least
  5 case studies in art criticism and art
  history

#### Assessment

#### School-based assessment:

- development of the body of work (50%)
- art criticism and art history (50%)

#### External examination:

 submission of a body of work (50%) and written paper (50%)

## **Course Specific details**

To support learning in Visual Arts, some experiences which may be offered in the study of this course include: -

- Industry Guest Speakers and workshops
- Art competitions
- Art showcase



Further information about the course content and outcomes can be obtained from the website below. http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/port al/nesa/11-12/stage-6-learning-areas/stage-6creative-arts/visual-arts-syllabus