

*“The advice I have received has been invaluable and it was helpful to meet others who were undertaking the awards in their schools.” Rosslyn Primary (SUP recipient 2018)*

*“Due to these start up packages I have been able to show SLT Arts Award's impact and create a buzz about it.” Bluecoat Wollaton Academy (SUP recipient 2018)*

## **Start-up and Progression (SUP) Packages:** **Schools, colleges and formal education settings**

The Mighty Creatives (TMC) are offering a limited number of support packages for schools, colleges and formal education settings who want to deliver the Arts Award qualification for the first time or progress their delivery to a new level.

### **What are the Arts Award Start-up packages?**

These packages are available to settings who work with children and young people, including schools, colleges and formal education settings. You are eligible if you don't currently offer the Arts Award and want to deliver Arts Award for the first time. We also have packages available for those who wish to expand their delivery to a different level from their current offer.

The package will give you:

- 2 spaces on Arts Award Adviser training
- £750 toward the delivery and moderation of your Arts Award
- Advice and support throughout the project

### **What is Arts Award?**

Arts Award is a nationally-recognised qualification that enables children and young people to explore the arts and culture whilst developing their creative, leadership and communication skills.

Arts Award is delivered at five levels, four are accredited and recognised on the [Regulated Qualifications Framework \(RQF\)](#) and one is an introductory level. The levels are:

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| Discover and Explore | Introductory level and entry level 3 on RQF | Can be completed by anyone aged between 5 and 25yrs        |
| Bronze and Silver    | Level 1 and Level 2 on RQF                  | Can be completed by anyone aged between 11 and 25yrs       |
| Gold                 | Level 3 on RQF (16 UCAS points)             | Award can be completed by anyone aged between 11 and 25yrs |

Arts Award is managed by Trinity College London in association with Arts Council England.

**The award is a fantastic way for young people to create a portfolio of evidence to share their creative learning as well as:**

- Develop and learn new skills
- Develop their own creative practise as a young artist
- Engage, experience and discover the world of the arts and artists
- Develop leadership and communication skills
- Give them an opportunity to teach creative skills and collaborate with others

### **How does it work?**

To deliver Arts Award you will need an adviser trained at the appropriate level. This training is offered as part of the packages for two staff members

- Discover and Explore Arts Award = half a day training
- Bronze and Silver Arts Award = full day training

For more information on the awards please visit <http://www.artsaward.org.uk/site/?id=1346>

### **What will I get?**

| <b>Description</b>   | <b>Cost</b> |
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| Grant of £750 toward delivery/moderation costs   | £750        |
| Training for two staff members at the appropriate level  | Worth £400  |
| Attendance at a mapping and planning session with a trained specialist to help you plan your delivery<br><br>Attendance at a pre-moderation support session<br><br>Invitations to network events for all Start-up Package recipients                                   | Worth £250  |
| Also included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specialist adviser support throughout the duration of your project</li> <li>• Access to tools and resources</li> <li>• The opportunity to share and showcase your work through The Mighty Creatives</li> </ul> |             |

### **What do I have to achieve?**

- For Discover and Explore level we are looking to support organisations who can take through a minimum of 35 young people

- For Bronze and Silver, we are looking to support organisations who can take through a minimum of 20 young people

*NB: These numbers are for guidance, if you feel your organisation has other considerations (e.g. working in a SEN setting or a small school) please get in touch with us.*

- The number on your application will be included in your grant agreement with The Mighty Creatives, if you do not reach these figures your grant amount may be affected.
- You must commit to two members of staff being trained as an Arts Award Adviser on the dates specified below
- You must submit your Arts Awards for Moderation by the 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020 or before
- You must provide TMC with a finalised timeline for delivery after your attendance at the adviser training. Project updates and a final project report at the end of your delivery are also required.

### **Am I eligible?**

*To apply for these packages, you must be:*

- ✓ *Delivering Arts Award for the first time*
- OR*
- ✓ *Delivering at a new level*
- ✓ *Based in the East Midlands*
- ✓ *Be a primary school, secondary school, college or any other formal education setting*

### **Who are we looking for?**

- We are looking for settings based in the East Midlands who want to deliver the award for the first time or are looking to deliver the award at a different level from their current offer
- We are looking for settings who want to trial, test and pilot the delivery of the award and those who are looking to embed the award against their current educational delivery
- We are looking for settings who can share what impact they believe delivering Arts Award will have on the young people they work with, and how this links to their future planning
- We are looking for proposals with ambitious plans for Arts Award.

You must use the grant to cover your moderation costs. More information on certification and moderation costs can be found here: <http://www.artsaward.org.uk/site/?id=2097>

Each applicant will be expected to have a pre-application phone call with The Mighty Creatives to discuss the offer and how this could support your work. Please get in touch to arrange this.

### **How do I apply?**

To apply for a SUP package, you need to check you are eligible for the funding and download and complete the application form. Return it to us at [artsaward@themightycreatives.com](mailto:artsaward@themightycreatives.com) by **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 5pm**

## **Important dates for your calendar:**

### **Adviser Training Dates:**

- **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2020**- Bronze and Silver training (full-day training followed by a twilight mapping and planning session) – **Leicester**
- **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2020**- Discover and Explore Training (half-day training followed by afternoon mapping and planning session) – **Leicester**

### **Mid-point meeting:**

- **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020**: Twilight mid-point meeting – **Nottingham**

### **Pre-moderation session:**

- **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2021**: Pre-moderation session – **Nottingham**

### **Final report:**

- **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021**: Final report evaluation

### **Moderation deadline:**

- **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2021**: Moderation deadline

## **FAQs**

Why do Arts Award?

- Schools have reported the award has had a positive impact on students' literacy, engagement and attendance.
- Arts Award raises students' aspirations and provides motivation for young people. The award helps students build skills they need for success in school, further education and employment.
- The four qualifications are recognised on the QCF. Accreditation starts at entry Level 3 and goes up to Level 3, which has UCAS points attached. They also have funded learning aims and can form part of the 16-19 study programme. There is also an introductory level.
- Training staff as an adviser supports their professional development.
- Offering Arts Award can contribute to achieving Artsmark status, a sign of commitment to high quality arts and cultural education. It can also enable you to facilitate a more student led curriculum.
- Arts Award can provide a great way to bring arts and cultural experiences to the children and young people you work with, supporting ACE's Cultural Education Challenge.
- And it's fun!

### **What can I spend the grant money on?**

- Arts Award log books or guidance
- Fees for workshops with a professional specialist
- General art materials and printing costs
- Tickets and travel for events
- Hire of specialist equipment or specialist venue
- Certificates and moderation costs
- Specific access requirements e.g. BSL/other translators; assistive technology specifically related to the Arts Award project

### **I have more questions, who can I talk to?**

If you have any more questions about these packages, please contact Sophie or Lorrie on 0116 2616 834 or email [artsaward@themightycreatives.com](mailto:artsaward@themightycreatives.com)