

School of Creative and Performing Arts

Art Technician

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Cranton Sixth Form College is an outstanding (Ofsted 2024), highly popular and successful sixth form college conveniently located in Widnes and at the hub of the Mersey Gateway, within easy reach of Liverpool, Manchester and Chester. Cranton Sixth Form College currently caters for over 3,000 16-18 students, the majority of whom are studying at Level 3 on either A Level or Vocational programmes.

We are a Centre of Excellence for Performing Arts offering a range of Vocational and A Level courses within the School of Creative and Performing Arts including:

- UAL Extended Diploma in Creative Practice: Fashion
- UAL Extended Diploma in Creative Practice: Art, Design & Communication
- UAL Extended Diploma in Creative Practice: Graphic Communication & Digital Design
- UAL Extended Diploma in Music (Professional Music Programme)
- UAL Extended Diploma in Dance (The Professional Dance Programme)
- UAL Extended Diploma in Drama (The Professional Theatre Programme)
- Level 2 UAL in Art & Design
- Level 2 UAL in Music
- Level 2 UAL in Performing Arts
- A Level Media Studies
- A Level Film Studies
- A Level Music
- A Level Dance
- A Level Drama & Theatre
- A Level Fine Art
- A Level Graphics
- A Level Photography
- A Level Textiles



The School has achieved excellent results over the years, with high pass rates in all A Level and Vocational subjects over the last 3 years and excellent ALPS scores across most courses. The Creative & Performing Arts team has an extremely high profile in the College and is dedicated to continuously addressing areas for improvement and building on strengths.

The School offers a wide variety of enrichment activities including educational visits and guest speakers. We have recently enjoyed trips to New York, The Netherlands, Paris, Barcelona, Florence and London and the department is also involved with ongoing projects with local schools and regularly exhibits and performs in venues across the region.

The facilities for the Fashion & Textiles provision currently consist of a specialist Fashion & Textiles Studio complete with a large cutting table, Hoffman industrial press, bank of domestic Janome sewing machines, mannequins, wet area for textile experiments and storage for individual storage for student work.

In 2019 we opened our brand new contemporary theatre with state of the art technology providing students within the Centre of Excellence for Performing Arts a cutting edge performance space. The theatre has a diverse and accommodating stage area with an orchestra pit allowing for more sizeable and challenging productions and is utilised for our annual end of year fashion show.

This post offers a unique opportunity for a passionate and committed art technician to work as part of a highly successful and ambitious department within the College under the management of the Head of School. You will be an enterprising technician with ambition and drive, with the student experience at the heart of supporting teaching and learning.

The successful candidate will work with talented and supportive colleagues in a very friendly environment and with a genuinely supportive management team who are committed to putting the teaching and learning experience first.

Following an Ofsted inspection in April 2022, the College has been given the highest possible rating of **OUTSTANDING** by Ofsted for a second time. After a meticulous review of the College, inspectors made the following judgements:

OVERALL EFFECTIVENESS	OUTSTANDING
The quality of education	Outstanding
Behaviour and attitudes	Outstanding
Personal development	Outstanding
Leadership and management	Outstanding
Education programmes for young people	Outstanding
Provision for learners with high needs	Good
Adult learning programmes	Outstanding
Apprenticeships	Outstanding



What is it like to work at Cranton Sixth Form College?

Inspectors said:

"Senior leaders and managers have a very clear rationale for their aspirational curriculums. "

"Leaders carefully consider the courses they provide for students, apprentices and those who have high needs."

"They have a strong sense of community and are passionate to provide life-changing opportunities for young people and adults, many from disadvantaged backgrounds, to achieve their personal and career goals."

"Staff feel appreciated for the contribution they make to the college."

"Students and apprentices enjoy their learning at Riverside and Cranton Sixth Form College. They display extremely positive attitudes and would recommend the college to friends, family and peers."

Cranton Sixth form College is committed to:

Providing learning experiences of outstanding quality

Investing in teaching, learning and assessment

Offering students distinctive and valuable opportunities to develop personally, professionally and academically

Offering an Oxbridge programme in partnership with local high schools

Supporting every individual student to reach their full potential

Seeking opportunities for growth

Outstanding Results 2024:

- 99% A Level Pass Rate
- 99% Level 3 Pass Rate 100% in 29 A Levels
- 100% in 20 Vocational Subjects (including BTEC and UAL)

Thank you for your interest in Cranton Sixth form College. If you would like further information or an informal discussion please contact Sharon Graham, Head of School on 0151 257 2800.

