



# PROSPECTUS

## 2022



Full time specialist Arts training and  
education for students ages 16-19





# WELCOME TO CAPA COLLEGE

## UNIQUE

Free specialist Creative and Performing Arts College  
attracting students from across the North of England

CAPA College provides full-time Arts training and education for students aged 16-19 from across the North of England. Led by outstanding professional teachers, practitioners and creatives, our courses combine rigorous academic Arts study with intensive practical training delivered in industry-standard facilities. This, combined with ample performance opportunities, exceptional pastoral guidance, regular guest masterclasses and external projects, ensures our students have all the tools they need to prosper in their Artistic careers.

## 99% A\*-C RESULTS

## INSPIRATIONAL

CAPA College trains and educates the next generation of performers, creatives, designers and technicians

## PROFESSIONAL

Combine intensive practical training with outstanding academic Arts study

## EXPERIENCE

Perform in acclaimed venues and alongside professional artists and companies

## SUPPORT

From health and wellbeing to nutrition, finance, careers advice and SEND support, pastoral guidance is paramount to what we offer at CAPA College







# OPEN DAY

**28 NOVEMBER  
16 JANUARY**

Visit [www.capa.college/open-days/](http://www.capa.college/open-days/)  
to book your place!



# THE FUTURE OF CAPA COLLEGE

In 2022 CAPA College will open the doors to its new, multi-million-pound home on Mulberry Way, Wakefield (opposite Wakefield Westgate train station).

## NEW BUILDING

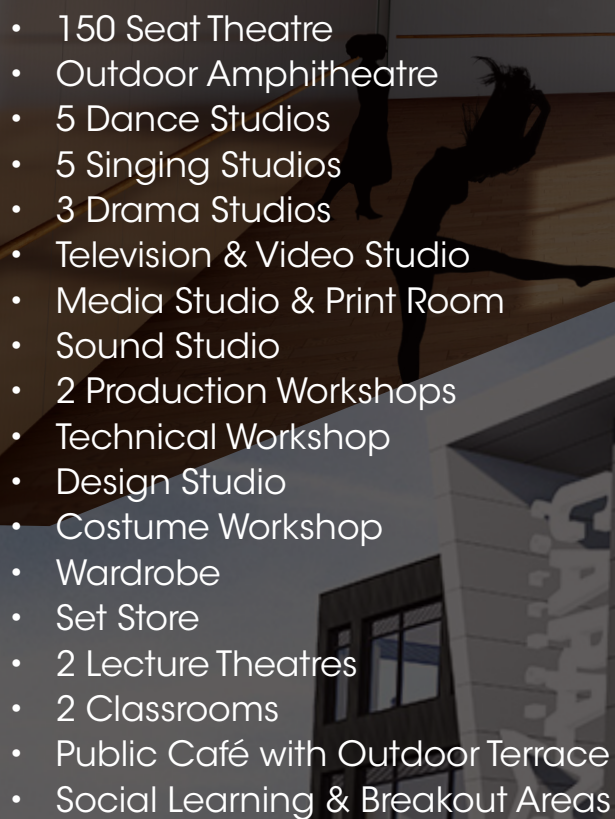
Equipped with the latest technology, industry-standard equipment and the finest rehearsal and performance spaces, it will be unprecedented in the North of England. CAPA College is set to become a flagship for Arts Education in the North.







# STATE OF THE ART FACILITIES

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- 150 Seat Theatre
  - Outdoor Amphitheatre
  - 5 Dance Studios
  - 5 Singing Studios
  - 3 Drama Studios
  - Television & Video Studio
  - Media Studio & Print Room
  - Sound Studio
  - 2 Production Workshops
  - Technical Workshop
  - Design Studio
  - Costume Workshop
  - Wardrobe
  - Set Store
  - 2 Lecture Theatres
  - 2 Classrooms
  - Public Café with Outdoor Terrace
  - Social Learning & Breakout Areas





# PERFORMING ARTS

## MUSICAL THEATRE COURSE PATHWAY

This exciting, all-round Performing Arts course provides students with versatility in terms of their skill set, creative approach and awareness of the Arts. Musical Theatre is the key genre studied on this pathway with graduates progressing to leading roles in the West End, Hollywood film and British TV. However, students gain the breadth and depth of experience to progress into other specialist areas from contemporary dance to music production, choreography to directing.

## CURRICULUM

- Commercial & Contemporary
- Jazz
- Ballet
- Musical Theatre
- Choreography
- Body Conditioning & Anatomy
- Acting
- Directing
- Devised Theatre
- Scripted Performance
- Physical Theatre
- Ensemble and Solo Singing
- Pop/Classical/Gospel/Acapella
- Vocal Technique
- Acting Through Song
- Sight Singing
- Theoretical Concepts
- Analysis







# CREATIVE DEVELOPMENT



## RIGOROUS & CHALLENGING

We equip students with the skills, experience and work ethic required to flourish in their chosen careers

## EXTENSIVE


Full-time teaching and learning in lectures, workshops, theory classes, rehearsals and performances



## REGULAR MASTERCLASSES

Led by CAPA College's resident team of specialist teachers and the UK's leading Arts professionals and companies

**Students on the Performing Arts: Musical Theatre course pathway will gain the following qualifications:**

- UAL Level 3 Diploma in Performing & Production Arts (Musical Theatre)
  - A Level Dance
  - A Level Drama & Theatre Studies
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CAPA College offers an exceptional quality of education for students. The curriculum, while specializing in the arts, is broad, giving students a wide range of experiences which extend well beyond examination requirements... Students display an impressive level of maturity. Their attitudes to learning are first rate. Students are articulate, considerate of their peers and are eager to support each other.

**Rob Jones, External Educational Consultant, April 2021**





# DANCE PATHWAY

## CONTEMPORARY AND COMMERCIAL

This course provides students with intensive, professional dance training. In Year 1 students develop their skill set, creative approach and awareness of Dance with a broad and balanced curriculum. In Year 2 students specialise their Dance focus to further hone their skills and develop their level of expertise and interest. While most students progress to Dance-based higher education courses and careers, graduates will have the versatility and transferable skills to diversify into other areas of the Creative Arts sector.

## CURRICULUM

- Contemporary – Release, Graham and Cunningham
- Ballet
- Urban
- Commercial
- Jazz
- Choreography
- Improvisation
- Body Conditioning
- Yoga
- Dance in Education
- Dance Theory
- History of Dance
- Anatomy
- Dance Analysis and Appreciation
- Voice for Dancers
- Production Skills







# TECHNICAL TRAINING



## AWARD WINNING

Our curriculum is led by an outstanding team of teachers and acclaimed choreographers who focus on technical and creative development

## EXPERIENCE

Students learn different artistic approaches, styles and methods through regular masterclasses and residencies by visiting artists and companies

## PERFORM

Phenomenal opportunities from in-house showcases and productions to competitions, touring shows, professional debuts and wide-scale events

**Students on the Dance: Contemporary and Commercial course pathway will gain the following qualifications:**

- UAL Level 3 Extended Diploma in Performing & Production Arts (Dance)
- A Level Dance





# DRAMA PATHWAY

## STAGE AND SCREEN

This course offers an extensive programme of technical training, creative development, directed performance and theoretical teaching led by CAPA College's team of leading Arts professionals. Students gain experience and versatility in their approach to their practice on stage and screen, developing their skill set as both a performer and creative and leading to professional careers in a variety of Art forms.

## CURRICULUM

- Acting – Stage and Screen
- Directing
- Devised Theatre
- Scripted Performance
- Contemporary Theatre
- Physical Theatre
- Improvisation
- Theatre in Education
- Scriptwriting
- Theoretical Concepts
- History of Drama
- Drama Analysis and Appreciation
- Singing for Actors
- Body Conditioning
- Production Skills
- Dance and Movement







# PHENOMENAL PRODUCTIONS

## SPECIALIST

The curriculum incorporates everything from film and television acting to devising, directing, improvisation, physical theatre, dance, movement and singing for actors

## UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES

From scriptwriting workshops to exploring new writing, students are at the forefront of latest trends and developments in the industry

## COLLABORATION

Students gain experience in a range of mediums and work collaboratively with students on CAPA College's other course pathways

**Students on the Drama: Stage and Screen course pathway will gain the following qualifications:**

- UAL Level 3 Extended Diploma in Performing & Production Arts (Drama)
- A Level Drama & Theatre Studies





'CAPA College is an excellent place to train and prepare you for higher education and a career in the Arts. I gained so much experience working with a range of inspiring and diverse artists, companies and teachers'

**Bronwyn James**  
**CAPA College Graduate 2012**





# PRODUCTION ARTS

## THEATRE, FILM AND MEDIA COURSE PATHWAY

This exciting 'hands-on' course combines vocational, practical training with academic study. In Year 1 the course offers a broad range of training in all aspects of Design, Technical Theatre, Media and Production in theatrical, film and live-event contexts. In Year 2 students can specialise, hone their skills and develop depth of knowledge, understanding and expertise in their chosen area of interest.

### CURRICULUM

- Set Design
- Set Construction
- Lighting Design
- Sound Design
- Mask-Making
- Stage Management
- Crewing
- Make-up and Prosthetics
- Design Skills
- AV Techniques
- Production Techniques
- Film and Video Editing
- Camera Techniques
- Music Video Production
- Audio Production
- Music Technology
- Graphics
- Digital Video Production
- Animation
- Photography







# DIGITAL INNOVATION

## TECHNOLOGY

Students have access to industry-standard facilities, state-of-the-art equipment and the latest technology

## CREATIVE DEVELOPMENT

In addition to technical skills and training, design and concept realization are also essential parts of the course

## WORK PLACEMENTS


Students gain extensive experience in a range of different venues to ensure that they are able to adapt to different spaces and operating systems

**Students on the Production Arts: Theatre, Film and Media course pathway will gain the following qualifications:**

- UAL Level 3 Extended Diploma in Performing & Production Arts (Production Arts)
- BTEC Level 3 (equivalent to one A Level)







# STUDYING AT CAPA COLLEGE

## AWARD WINNING

with accolades from across the Arts and Education sector including National Theatre, Sadler's Wells, U.Dance, BBC Young Dancer and Sky TV

CAPA College has an award-winning team of top professional teachers, directors, choreographers, designers and technicians. The team have consistently been judged as 'Outstanding' by Ofsted. Pastoral guidance is paramount at CAPA College. Students are assigned a personal tutor and receive extensive support on health and welfare, finance, careers, HE applications, auditions and interviews. We have a dedicated Student Welfare Officer, appoint Student Leaders and all staff and students are encouraged to engage with our RESPECT, REFLECT & CONNECT pastoral syllabus.

## TOP 1%

in the UK for student progress with 100% of graduates progressing to 1st choice HE institutions

## COURSE COSTS

There are no course fees to pay at CAPA College. Some students may be eligible for a means-tested bursary to support students in FE

## RESULTS

99% A\*-C  
100% Pass Rate

## ALUMNI

CAPA College graduates have gone on to study at leading national and international conservatoires and universities, including RADA, The Place, Rambert School, Arts Educational School, Guildford School of Acting, Institute of the Arts Barcelona and Royal Conservatoire of Antwerp





# HOW TO APPLY

## Stage 1

Complete an application form online at [www.capa.college](http://www.capa.college) or email [info@capacollege.co.uk](mailto:info@capacollege.co.uk)

## Stage 2

Applicants will attend an 'Audition/Interview Day' which will include:

- A showcase performance by current students & presentation by staff
- Group question & answer session with staff and current students
- Participation in group audition/practical classes (specific to course pathway)
- Individual interview

## Stage 3

Applicants will receive confirmation of whether or not they have been successful. Some applicants may be invited to a recall stage

## Stage 4

Recall audition – invited applicants will present pre-prepared material and undergo an interview

## Stage 5

Applicants will receive confirmation of whether or not they have been successful at the recall stage

## MINIMUM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Entry to CAPA College requires a minimum of 5 GCSEs at grade C/level 4 or above to be confirmed in writing by the applicant's current school on enrolment day. This needs to include grade C/level 4 or above in GCSE English and GCSE Maths. In exceptional circumstances a student with a grade D/level 3 in either GCSE English or GCSE Maths (but not both) may be accepted.

Arts specific qualifications and/or previous formal experience are not necessarily required to successfully gain a place at CAPA College. Instead, in the application process each applicant will

be looked at closely for evidence of passion, aptitude and the potential to make the most of their time at CAPA College.

All course pathways are subject to viable student numbers and a funding agreement with the DfE. Full details of the CAPA College Admissions Policy is available at [www.capa.college](http://www.capa.college)





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- Tileyard



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