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art and culture





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Arts Award

Dear Teacher,

In this brochure you will find a list of great arts and cultural organisations across the North East region that all have something amazing to offer your school. All of these organisations can help support your pupils to achieve Arts Award!

This brochure is designed to be used as a resource for your school, to support your short, medium and long-term planning, help you identify new partnerships and opportunities for your pupils and find out how these organisations can help.



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Who are we?

This brochure is produced by **Culture Bridge North East**. We are funded by **Arts Council England** to support both **cultural organisations and schools in their work, to make sure that every child and young person is able to experience the richness of the arts and culture. Culture Bridge North East is managed by Tyne & Wear Archives & Museums and is one of 10 Bridge organisations across England.**

Culture Bridge North East can connect your school with a wide range of cultural organisations working in this region, including libraries, museums,

theatres, arts and dance companies, cinemas, heritage sites, galleries and Music Education Hubs.

Over 2015-18 we will be working to create a network of Local Cultural Education Partnerships across our region. These will create close relationships with the education and cultural sectors, giving children and young people opportunities to access the fantastic cultural offer in the North East.

We think you might find the following websites useful:
www.culturebridgenortheast.org.uk
www.artsaward.org.uk

What is Arts Award?

A great way for children and young people to be inspired by and enjoy arts and culture. Arts Award is...

- Offered at five levels, four accredited and one introductory award
A framework for learning new skills and sharing them
- An opportunity to develop creativity and leadership skills
- A link between young people and creative arts professionals

Arts Award is a range of unique qualifications that supports anyone up to the age of 25 to develop and demonstrate skills, interests and leadership in arts and culture. From fashion to film-making, pottery to poetry, Arts Award inspires children and young people to connect with and take part in the cultural world around them.

Through Arts Award young people gain a nationally recognised qualification enabling them to progress into further education and employment. Arts Award has five levels, four of which (Explore, Bronze, Silver, Gold) are accredited qualifications on the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF). Arts Award Discover is an introductory level.

As they work towards Arts Award, children and young people collect evidence of what they have done and reflect on their experiences.

At Discover, Explore and Bronze you can choose to use specially designed arts logs or you can create your own to fit your project or the young people you're working with. Evidence can be collected in any format that works for them and you: a folder, sketchbook, video diary, a website or blog. Arts Award is managed by Trinity College London in association with Arts Council England.

The different levels of Arts Award



Discover is a non-accredited introductory award. To achieve Discover, children & young people discover the arts and cultural world around them, find out about artists, performers, curators and their work and share their experiences with others.



Explore is accredited as an Entry Level 3 qualification. Children & young people collect their arts and cultural experiences in an Explore arts log as they go along, recording what they find and enjoy.



Bronze is a Level 1 national qualification. Young people take part in an arts/cultural activity, go to an arts/cultural event, research their arts/cultural hero/heroine and share their skills with others.



Silver is a Level 2 qualification and has two units – Unit 1: arts practice and Unit 2: arts leadership. Doing Silver involves achieving an arts/cultural challenge, reviewing arts/cultural events, researching artists/performers/curators and arts/cultural organisations, and delivering an arts/cultural leadership project with other people.



Gold Arts Award is the highest level at Level 3 and is also recognised on the UCAS Tariff (35 points). Gold has two units – Unit 1: personal arts/cultural development and Unit 2: arts/cultural projects leadership. Gold involves achieving an arts/cultural challenge, reviewing arts/cultural events, researching artists/performers/curators and arts organisations, and delivering an arts/cultural leadership project with other people.



Sage Gateshead,
Make Some Noise
Image by Topher McGrillis

“Every child and young person has the opportunity to experience the richness of the arts”

Arts Council
England

At all levels, children and young people work with an Arts Award adviser. This is a trained adult who supports young people in gaining arts experiences, provides guidance and assesses arts logs and portfolios. Teachers, teaching assistants, museum learning staff, art practitioners, youth workers and volunteers can all train as advisers.

In the North East we have a great network of Training Agencies who work together to deliver Arts Award Advisor Training. Please note that all of the training agencies also offer one to one support sessions, advice and guidance across all 5 levels to formal (schools) and informal learning settings as well as cultural organisations and venues.

Who is in this brochure?

We have listed all of the organisations funded by Arts Council England to work with children and young people as well as many of the Arts Award Supporters and Centres in the region. There are many other excellent organisations and individuals working in this area, but this brochure creates an excellent starting point for understanding the rich cultural offer available across the North East.

The organisations are listed by their locality, many are willing to work across, and beyond the North East region.

Arts Council England (ACE) champions, develops and invests in artistic and cultural experiences that enrich people's lives. ACE support a range of activities across the arts, museums and libraries – from theatre to digital art, reading to dance, music to literature, and crafts to collections.

Arts Council England provides financial investment to support this through several channels, three of which are directly relevant to Schools:

- National Portfolio Organisations (NPOs) across England represent some of the best arts practice in the world. These organisations play a vital role in helping ACE meet their mission of great art and culture for everyone.



Discovery Museum
Image provided by Discovery Museum,
Tyne & Wear Archives & Museums

- Major Partner Museums (MPMs) lead wide programmes of work for schools, families and lifelong learning. They develop excellent care and conservation; demonstrate innovative and engaging interpretations of their designated collections.
- Music Education Hubs include schools – from primary to further education institutions - professional music organisations and arts organisations. They work in local areas to bring people together to create joined up music education provision for children and young people.

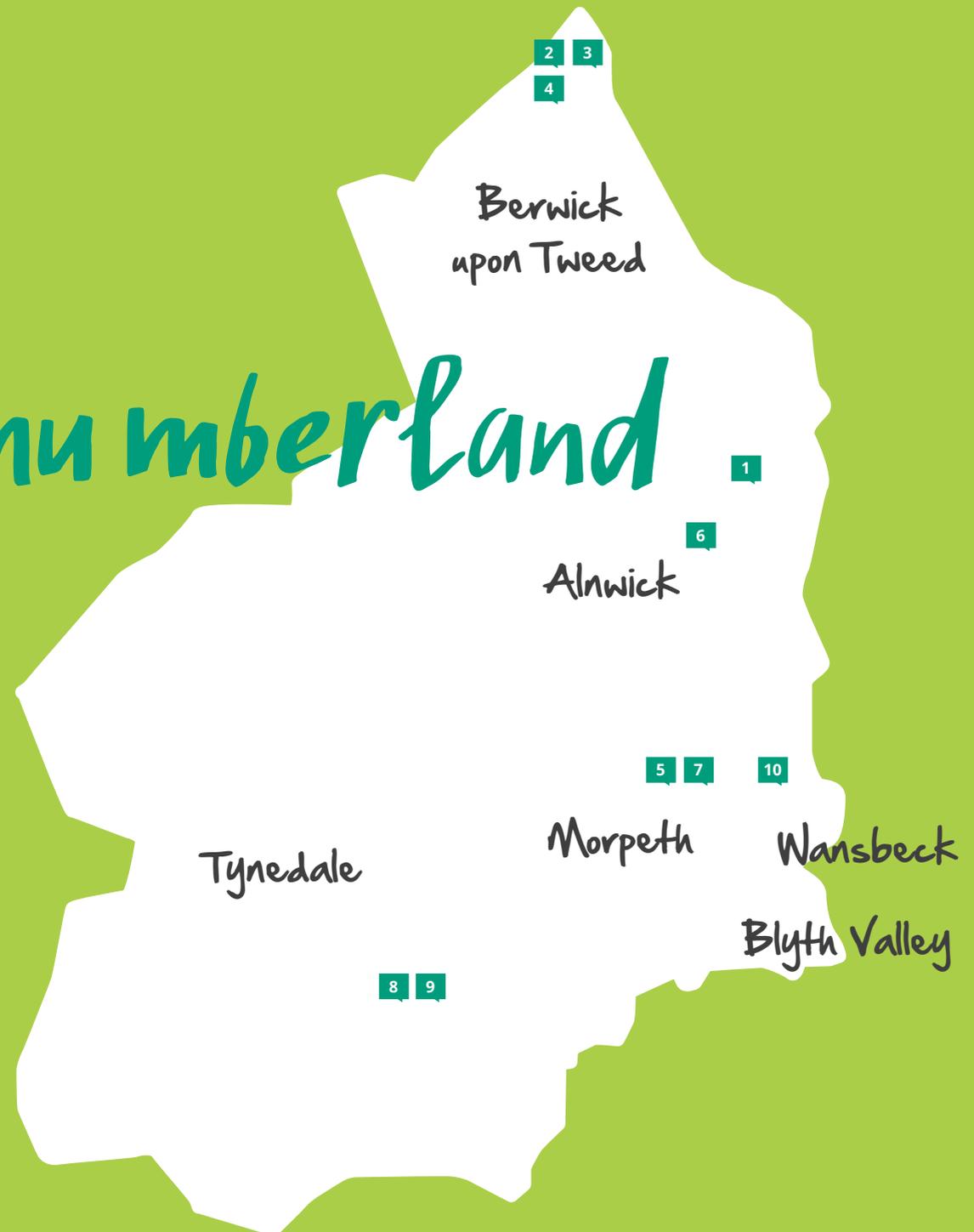
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“ We involve our cultural partners in our planning. It's a very joined-up process ”

Headteacher

Northumberland



01. Alnwick Playhouse

alswickplayhouse.co.uk

Alnwick Playhouse is firmly established as one of the leading small venues in the North of England. It is a wonderful and vibrant arts centre, and a remarkably strong and valuable part of the community. Our mission is to enrich the life of the community through diverse, inspiring cultural experiences. We achieve this by providing a rich and balanced mix of professional touring drama, music, dance and film of the highest quality, and we strive to produce an educational and outreach programme seeking to promote the arts in every corner of the Alnwick District. We are an Arts Award Supporter and are proud to run projects in partnership with local schools and our youth theatre to help young people achieve Arts Award.

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02. Berwick Film & Media Arts Festival Ltd

berwickfilm-artsfest.com

Berwick Film & Media Arts Festival champions and celebrates filmmakers and visual artists of all ages, with the aim of nurturing lifelong relationships with film. Taking place in 2015 between 23rd – 27th September, we'll work with local schools on a film programme and related activities including hands-on workshops and master-classes. These give the chance to meet artists, filmmakers and curators taking part in the Festival and take a valuable look behind the scenes. As well as possibilities for young people (16+) to be involved in various volunteering activities at the festival, children and young people also have the opportunity to see their own films on the big screen through our annual Young Filmmakers Competition.

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03. Berwick Visual Arts

berwickvisualarts.co.uk

Berwick Visual Arts operates two galleries in Berwick-upon-Tweed, The Gymnasium Gallery and The Granary Gallery. We are committed to developing a welcoming and engaging environment of exceptional, ambitious visual art to inspire, challenge and encourage accessible learning and enjoyment for all. We welcome school visits to both our Granary and Gymnasium Galleries and can offer workshops for schools facilitated by artists. We are an Arts Award Supporter organisation and are happy to support teachers to use the galleries to help children obtain Arts Award accreditation. We have special projects running alongside our changing exhibitions at different times of the year which can also be used to support Arts Award projects. If you are a teacher interested in bringing a school group to visit our exhibitions, or to find out more about future workshops and how we can help support your Arts Award, please get in contact.

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04. The Maltings Theatre & Cinema

maltingsberwick.co.uk

England's most northerly theatre and cinema, dedicated to providing year-round entertainment for all ages – music, comedy, theatre, children's shows, cinema, live event streaming, classical concerts, opera, dance and more. As well as hosting and producing over 200 live events a year, and over 600 films a year, The Maltings holds regular classes in dance, music and drama, helping to engage, support and inspire young artists as they pursue their interests in the arts, and paving the way for the region's future stars.

“ The introduction of the arts in school can motivate a child to want to learn ”

Teacher

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05. Music Partnership North

music.northumberland.gov.uk

As part of the Music Hub in Northumberland we embed Arts Awards in many of the music activities we provide and support. Students are given the opportunity to work towards bronze, silver and gold awards through participation in our county music ensembles. We have built the award into grant applications and brass projects that we are running in Bedlington and Ashington and a Northumbrian Pipe project running in partnership with Woodhorn Colliery museum. We have included an offer in our SLA for schools to buy into a whole class instrumental project with delivery of Discover Arts Award to enrich the project and for high schools to buy into Bronze Arts Award to enhance their music curriculum. In Newcastle we actively promote arts award and work with individual schools to support their applications.

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06. Northumberland Theatre Company

northumberlandtheatre.co.uk

Northumberland Theatre Company is a professional touring theatre company who specialise in engaging audiences in rural communities throughout the Northern region, through performance and participatory theatre activities. We work with children and young people within schools and community groups to support and enhance their theatre/drama projects, including Arts Award. We can also offer young people work experience opportunities and professional theatre training.

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07. November Club

novemberclub.org.uk

November Club is an award winning arts company with a unique approach to storytelling. We work indoors and outdoors to produce art work based on the stories of unusual places. This is usually theatre but crosses art forms. We work with young people through school work and participatory programmes and projects. We are an Arts Award supporter and can offer amongst other things; opportunities to meet artists; Q & A sessions; bespoke workshops linked to performances and tours of production sites.

“It’s just brilliant to expose children to what is available in today’s society and also to give them an insight into a range of many professions or careers for themselves in later years”

Teacher

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08. Queen’s Hall Arts

queenshall.co.uk

Queen’s Hall Arts (QHA) delivers a varied programme of theatre, dance, music, film, digital and visual art in our theatre and exhibition spaces. We present inspirational shows for children and young people and offer workshop opportunities for schools alongside the programme. We showcase creative work by young people in the gallery spaces and through performances by local groups in the main theatre. QHA runs three youth theatre groups, two youth folk groups and a youth choir which all meet weekly in the building. We also offer volunteering opportunities for young people. In addition to programming within the building QHA delivers an outreach service taking workshops and performances to young people in the West of Northumberland. We are interested in working in partnership with schools and youth groups to support and enhance Arts Award projects. Please contact us to discuss how we can work with you to develop your project.

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09. Théâtre Sans Frontières (TSF)

tsf.org.uk

TSF is a multilingual, international, touring theatre company based in Northumberland. We make shows for young people aged 7 – 18 in French, Spanish and English and tour into both schools and theatres. Many shows are devised using physical theatre, clowning, puppetry, film and music. Performers and artists are available to talk to students about the process of making theatre. We run workshops on drama and language learning, these may be attached to a show or can be standalone workshops responding to the needs and interests of particular schools and students. We run projects where students make their own plays in English or a foreign language. We offer workshops on physical theatre for drama students based on the work of Le Coq and Robert Lepage, including: Neutral Mask, complicité, Boufon, devising and shadow play. We take students on work placements depending on what projects we are doing.

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November Club
Seaton Delaval Hall

10. Woodhorn Museum & Northumberland Archives

experiencewoodhorn.com

At Woodhorn Museum and Northumberland Archives we offer wide ranging packages to schools based on our fantastic collections. Our enthusiastic team deliver engaging workshops on a variety of local themes. Groups can: explore our original colliery buildings rich with over 100 years of mining history; follow in the footsteps of a miner going underground in our Coal Town exhibition; take part in proggy mat making and wash day activities; piece together documents which reveal the story of the Hartley Pit Disaster which in 1862 was the biggest mining disaster in British History family; Learn the art techniques practiced by the Pitmen Painters; We can tailor our workshops for groups of all ages and abilities and offer exciting activities with our temporary exhibitions on display at the museum.

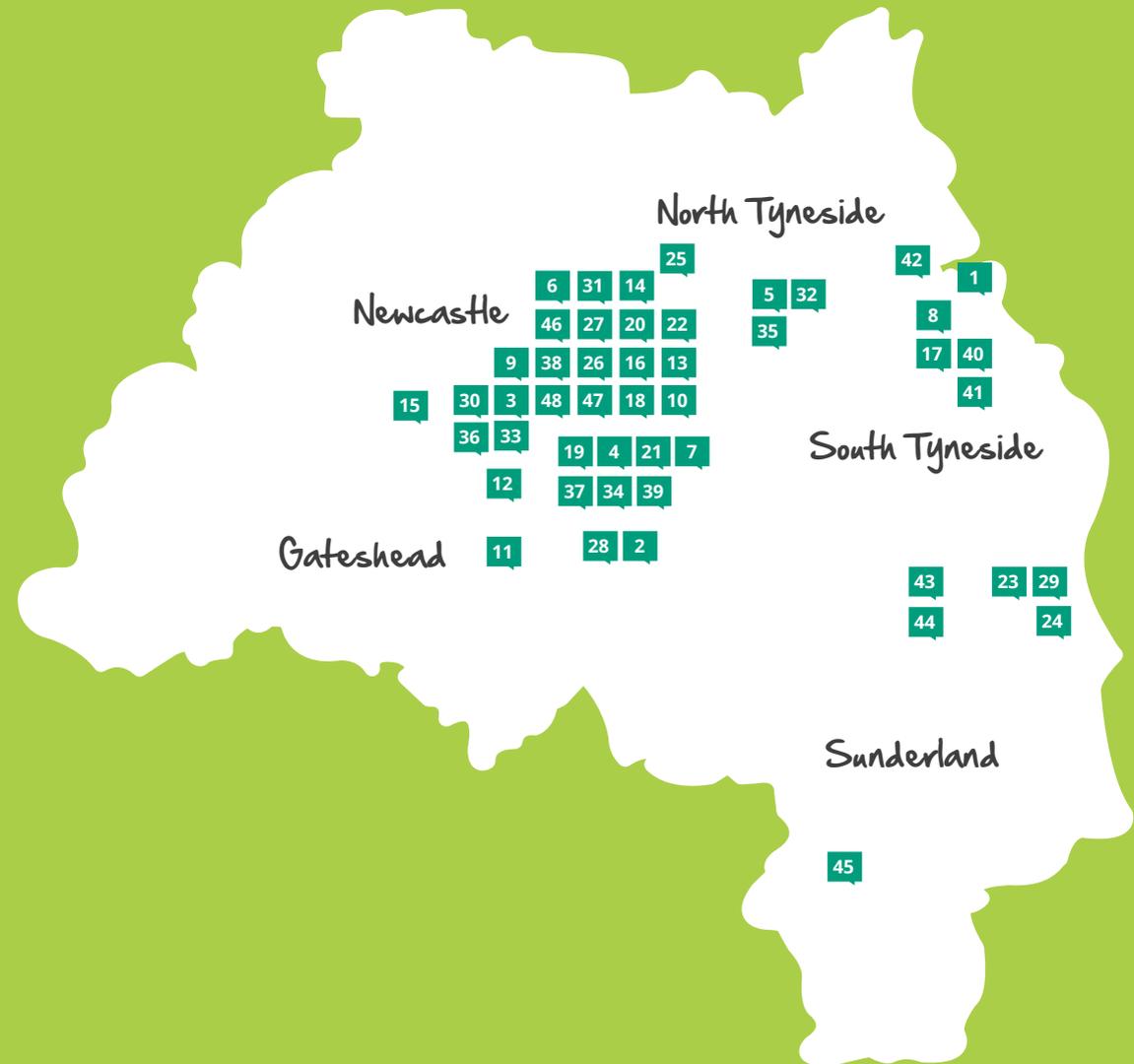
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www.zendeh.com

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01. Arbeia Roman Fort

[twmuseums.org.uk/
arbeia](http://twmuseums.org.uk/arbeia)

Arbeia Roman Fort is the most extensively excavated military supply base in the Empire. The visible remains of the Fort include the headquarter buildings, barracks, granaries, gateways and latrines. The collection of finds at Arbeia includes coins, imperial sealings, jewellery and military equipment. There is also a large collection of pottery and a rich collection of inscribed stones, altars and graffiti referring to individual people and places as diverse as France, Spain and Syria. If this were not enough we have reconstructed three Roman buildings, the gateway, a barrack and the Commanding Officers House! Our learning team is trained as advisors in Discover, Explore, Bronze and Silver Arts Awards and can facilitate learning and Arts Award projects for all ages and abilities including SEND, using our programmes of exhibitions workshops, tours and talks.

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02. Arts Centre Washington

artscentrewashington.co.uk

Arts Centre Washington has a strong reputation for participatory arts since it was founded in 1977 and plays a vital role in arts engagement in Sunderland. As the only multi-purpose arts venue in the city it has the facilities to offer a range of activities in different art forms. In recent years it has gained a regional reputation for delivering a high quality cross-art form programme for children and young people. We can offer a number of ways to support young people with Arts Award including The Mix – Cross Arts Classes, Young Achievers Award Scheme, Community Music Space, Sunfest, Big Music Hub, Somewhere to, Youth Dance Hub for Sunderland, and North East Children's Theatre. Each year the arts centre provides work experience placements for students. Priority is given to Arts Award students.

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03. ballet LORENT

balletlorent.com

balletLORENT is a contemporary dance theatre company, who have been based in the North East of England for over 21 years. We offer a range of exciting, creative and imaginative dance workshops and activities that can be tailored to meet the educational needs of individual schools. We would encourage schools to approach us for a conversation about how we can best work together. balletLORENT is an Arts Award Supporter. We are happy for work that we do with your students to be documented in any way you feel is appropriate for Arts Award. More information can be found on our website: www.balletlorent.com or you can contact us as below.

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04. BALTIC

balticmill.com

Housed in a landmark industrial building on the south bank of the River Tyne in Gateshead, BALTIC is a major international centre for contemporary art. BALTIC has no permanent collection, providing instead an ever-changing calendar of exhibitions and events that give a unique and compelling insight into contemporary artistic practice. We offer Arts Award support in contemporary visual arts from Discover and Explore through to Bronze, Silver and Gold.

“ This collaboration has provided exemplary experiences for the young participants and produced portfolios and art work which demonstrate complete immersion in the process of making and reflecting upon practice ”

Circus Central

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05. Beacon Hill Arts

beaconhillarts.org.uk

Beacon Hill Arts is an award-winning film company who specialise in supporting young people with SEN, ASD and additional needs, to create their own films and music. Whilst we specialise in working with these groups, we also work with young people in mainstream schools and colleges. Our facilitators are professional film-makers who deliver bespoke film-making workshops that enable young people to develop new technical skills to work as a team and create their own finished film. Young people take part in story development, script creation, camera operation, sound recording, acting, and editing whilst also gathering evidence of their participation at each stage to support the completion of their Arts Award. Beacon Hill Arts films have won numerous awards and played at film festivals all over the world. If you would like to discuss a project and work with us, please get in contact.

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06. Circus Central

circuscentral.co.uk

At Circus Central we specialise in children's and youth circus. Circus is intrinsically intelligent, physical & creative as it can become more than an activity and has amazing impacts on individuals of all ages. At Circus Central we offer a broad range of circus arts education through our regular activities in Newcastle and through projects in schools, both regular clubs and one off sessions across the region. Our work in schools encompasses circus skills, heritage & research projects. Through our in-house Arts Awards team we offer Explore through to Gold levels. We are able to tailor activities to suit the Arts awards and school curriculum. Circus Central offers engaging activities and learning through circus which include not only a rich and exciting array of circus skills performance and act development, but also allied skills including costume design, CirqueMusic, project management, circus heritage research, risk analysis, teaching, event management, graphic design and PR skills.

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07. The Craftmobile

thecraftmobile.co.uk

The Craftmobile offer workshops, talks and activities across a broad spectrum of arts and crafts tailored to a variety of age ranges. We are able to welcome groups to our base in Gateshead or offer an outreach service. As well as our wide range of workshops we are happy to provide a bespoke service to ensure we offer you the experience you require. As an Arts Award centre and supporter we are able to help children and young people who are looking to work towards this qualification and more.

“The portfolio creation has helped them to think critically about the direction they want to take their skills and work experience development”

Discovery Museum,
Newcastle

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08. The Customs House

customshouse.co.uk

We can offer building tours through the theatre, cinema and backstage for schools/groups which will support Discover, Explore and Bronze Arts Award. We also have a gallery which has a new exhibition every six weeks, and we can offer a gallery tour and talk on the exhibitions. Both of these options would be free, and are subject to our department's availability. We run a varied programme of events for young people in film, dance, and drama at The Customs House. We offer all young people that we work with the opportunity to do Arts Award, and have trained advisers at all five levels. We run annual Summer Schools in Silver and Gold Levels in August each year. These opportunities are advertised on The Customs House website.

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09. Dance City

dancecity.co.uk

Established for over 20 years Dance City is the North East's leading development organisation for dance. We present a regular programme of dance performances; we also commission original new works, which premiere in our theatre. We offer over 65 weekly classes in more than 40 different styles of dance – open to all ages and for absolute beginners as well as more experienced dancers. We work with schools and groups of all ages to support and enhance their dance projects (including Arts Award). We also offer young people the opportunity to watch professional performances/post show talks at a reduced rate of just £6. We do also offer a limited number of free tickets to performances for young people compiling their Arts Awards portfolios.

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10. Discovery Museum

twmuseums.org.uk/schools/discovery

Discovery Museum's high quality, facilitated schools programme offers a wide range of led workshops which complement the diverse collections of the museum. Discovery's collections range from social history, maritime and fashion to military history and internationally important scientific collections along with the diverse history of Newcastle. We offer led tours such as "Big 5 inventors" which exploring the Great Victorian Inventors of Tyneside such as Charles Parson's Steam Turbine and Joseph Swans first incandescent light bulb to practical workshops such as "Building Bridges" which explores 2000 years of history of Tyne crossings and the science and engineering that goes into building them. We also have an early years offer "Discovery a Story" linking children's books to our collection. Our Learning team are also happy to discuss with teachers how to tailor any visits to different themes and projects, including Arts Award.

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11. Gateshead and South Tyneside MEH

gatesheadandsouthtynesidemusicclub.co.uk

We are funded by ACE to co-ordinate and develop access to high quality music experiences for all young people across the boroughs of Gateshead and South Tyneside. The partnership includes the two council-based Music Services which work very closely with parents and young people in schools to provide ensembles, tuition and support for Music Education. We also work in partnership with a wide range of other organisations including two FE Colleges, Sage Gateshead, the Customs House and a number of independent music organisations. These include both community music providers (e.g. community bands) and commercial organisations. We are in a strong position to support young people and schools working on Arts Awards.

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12. GemArts

gemarts.org

GemArts is a nationally recognised leader in the diversity arts sector, and specialises in delivering high quality culturally diverse projects with schools and community groups. Our workshops provide creative, educational, enjoyable learning experiences, while promoting a greater understanding of people and the UK's rich cultural diversity. Our arts activities enable young people to explore culture and identity in a safe and supported environment. GemArts works to raise young people's confidence, aspirations, and skills, helping them feel empowered through participation in cross cultural art forms. GemArts' can programme anything from taster sessions to longer term projects, including Arts Award. Sessions can be designed to complement the curriculum or to meet specific needs within the community. We work to promote engagement with the arts, and wherever possible offer project participants discount ticket deals at GemArts events.

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13. Generator

generator.org.uk/ffwd

Generator is the UK's leading music development agency catering for the wider creative industries, providing national and regional artist development and business support programmes. FFWD provides entry points for aspiring producers and vocalists, who will get the opportunity to build, mix and record new tracks, set-up new collaborations, receive mentorship, secure performance opportunities and identify industry pathways. Production courses lasting last 6 weeks, will run throughout 2015 and while there will be no cost to participate, spaces will be extremely limited. There will also be music production and creative masterclasses, vocal mentorship programmes, advanced courses and opportunities to complete Arts Awards.

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14. Great North Museum: Hancock

twmuseums.org.uk/great-north-museum

The Great North Museum: Hancock (GNM) incorporates collections from the old Hancock Museum: the Natural History Society of Northumbria, Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle upon Tyne and the Shefton Museum. Highlights include a life-size T. rex dinosaur replica skeleton, major displays showing the wonder and diversity of the animal kingdom, spectacular objects from the Ancient Greeks and mummies from Ancient Egypt, a life-size elephant and a planetarium. The GNM offers a high quality and multi-faceted learning programme for schools and other education groups. A team of experienced learning staff develop and deliver the programme of resources and activities in their own individual disciplines which include earth and life sciences, archaeology and early years engagement. We are currently developing a programme to support the delivery of Arts Award to formal and informal groups.

GNM Learning Team

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15. Great North Run Culture

greatnorthrunculture.org

Great North Run Culture (GNRC) is an annual series of artistic commissions that celebrate and respond to the world's largest half marathon, the Great North Run. Our portfolio of commissions encompasses film, art, photography, dance, drama and writing. Our education and engagement activity (In Motion) forms an integral part of our annual series of events – developing long-term, targeted projects that use GNRC commissions as the start-point of, or inspiration for, learning and development activity. In Motion includes schools projects, CPD work with teachers, targeted activity with difficult to reach groups, artists talks and Q&As, exhibitions and online work - including Arts Award.

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16. Hatton Gallery

twmuseums.org.uk/hattongallery

The Hatton Gallery is a Grade II listed building in beautiful surroundings on Newcastle University campus. The Gallery has an ever changing programme of exhibitions from new works by contemporary artists to historical displays. As well as offering many art workshops for groups; we can create bespoke talks, tours and workshops to support the Arts Award. The Learning Officer at the gallery is an Arts Award Adviser. Please contact us for more information and to talk about your requirements.

“Be absolutely open to everything. Sometimes some of the partners that you might consider to be most divergent from the kind of work you do in school are often the most inspiring ones”

Teacher

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17. Hawthorn Arts

hawthornarts.com

We are an arts company with a long history and reputation for delivering high quality projects throughout the North East. We believe in encouraging each individual to reach their creative potential. With that in mind, our strength and uniqueness lies in our willingness to devise imaginative projects that will push the boundaries of all involved. We are based in our own art centre in South Shields which also hosts Creating Change (UK) CIC, a non-profit company supporting the development of North east artists and operating an art gallery on the premises. We often work in partnership, using arts to engage people of all ages and abilities and increase confidence, raise awareness, develop skills, break down barriers and promote community cohesion.

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18. Helix Arts

helixarts.com

We work with artists to create opportunities for children and young people to participate in high quality arts activities. We believe that creativity is fundamental to the well-being of individuals and communities. We tend to focus on children and young people who currently have least opportunity to express themselves artistically. We work across a range of art form areas including visual arts, digital arts, film-making, creative writing, animation, street dance, music, D-Jing, photography, drama and textiles. Helix Arts has charitable status and is revenue funded by Arts Council England. We welcome approaches from organisations and individuals planning to develop new projects. We are based in Newcastle and have our own activity space. Equally, we are more than willing to travel to your centre.

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19. Juice Festival

juicefestival.co.uk

Juice Festival is a multi-art form festival for children and young people aged 0 – 25. In October half-term Juice takes over venues across NewcastleGateshead with a multitude of performances, events, workshops and opportunities. Juice Festival also works with young people and schools leading up to the festival (including primary, secondary and SEND settings), delivering projects and opportunities in different areas such as arts activities, workshops, volunteering, writing, and helping to run projects. Juice has a range of opportunities that can be used as part of Arts Award.

“ Art is thought to be integral to everything we do ”

Teacher

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20. Laing Art Gallery

twmuseums.org.uk/laing-art-gallery

The Laing Art Gallery's exceptional art collection focuses on British oil paintings, watercolours, ceramics, silver and glassware. The collection has designated status in recognition of its national and international significance. The Laing also has a strong temporary exhibitions programme which we use to engage young people with the arts to challenge perceptions and seek to develop creative and critical thinking skills in young people. The Laing has an excellent track record in making its work accessible to audiences through carefully planned educational events, workshops and art classes closely programmed in consultation with teachers and group leaders to ensure it meets young people's needs. All sessions promote looking and thinking skills and encourage discussion. We aim to enable children to feel at ease in an art gallery, build confidence and provide them with the tools they need to explore and interpret artworks on their own.

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21. Lawnmowers Independent Theatre Company

lawnmowerstheatre.com

Lawnmowers Independent Theatre Company is a learning disabled-led company, in other words its company members determine the direction and development of its artistic output. We work daily with up to 29 core learning disabled volunteer members and 7 trainee members who co-produce the comprehensive training packages and are responsible for the delivery of company activities to wider learning disabled communities. We run a Youth Theatre for 11 – 17 year olds on Saturday mornings doing dance and drama and are running Arts Awards for our members. We currently do not offer this service to non-members however if you are interested in joining our Youth Theatre please contact us.

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22. Live Theatre

live.org.uk

Live Theatre can deliver the Arts Award at all levels - Discover, Explore, Bronze, Silver and Gold. Live Theatre has been delivering the Arts Award since 2013 with 100% pass rate. Live Theatre's award-winning Education and Participation team can create bespoke projects to support the delivery of Arts Award, Artsmark and the curriculum. Activities can include young writer's programmes, teacher training, drama workshops, historic tours of the building, plus a range of activities linked to our main productions, such as post show discussions and backstage tours. Schools and groups can take advantage of our fantastic group booking offer. Tickets start at £5 and for every 10 tickets bought the 11th is free. Accompanying teachers go free. We can arrange artist talks, post and pre show discussions and tours to groups interested in finding out what goes on behind the scenes.

Education and Participation Team

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23. Monumental Music CIC (The Bunker)

bunkeruk.com

We are a community music space in Sunderland who specialise in engaging hard to reach young people through fun & challenging music related projects. We work with schools and youth groups city wide to enhance their music projects, including Arts Awards. We aim to provide advice & support to build confidence and help people use music towards a positive outcome, whether this results in a career in the arts or other vocations or leads to further education. We aim to raise awareness and tackle cultural barriers through music and explore the usage of music in helping the recuperation or treatment of people suffering illness or disabilities. Please contact us to discuss your project ideas and explore how we can work with you.

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24. National Glass Centre

nationalglasscentre.com

National Glass Centre provides educational and creative workshops to children and young people in glass, ceramics, screen printing, architecture and a variety of other craft disciplines. Our learning programme explores art and design, science and technology and the heritage of glassmaking in Sunderland, and we use our changing exhibition programme as inspiration for activity. Regular demonstrations allow visitors to view live glass blowing by skilled artists and master glass blowers. Our links with the University of Sunderland's Glass and Ceramics programme allows visitors the chance to meet emerging artists working at the forefront of their discipline, using cutting-edge technology and materials. Please contact our Learning and Engagement Team for more information and to talk about your requirements.

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25. North East Music Co-operative

nemco.org.uk

Nemco is a well-established, independent company which provides instrumental music tuition to schools throughout Newcastle and its neighbouring areas. Our aim is to provide a quality service at an affordable price and to engender an enthusiasm for music making through participation. Nemco also provides a range of ensemble opportunities in which pupils can participate, both in and out of curriculum time. These can support their engagement with Arts Award.

“ Choose your partners very carefully because it's as important, I think, as recruiting a member of your leadership team ”

Teacher

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26. New Writing North

newwritingnorth.com

New Writing North are the writing development agency for the North of England, working with writers, schools and young people across the region and beyond, including delivering the Durham Book Festival. We work with schools, youth and community groups on creative writing projects, including Arts Award; and have considerable staff expertise in this area. We also run Cuckoo Young Writers groups for ages 12 – 19, an online literary magazine for young people and an arts review website. We offer opportunities for young people to gain work experience.

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27. Newcastle Libraries

newcastle.gov.uk/libraries

Children are an important audience for Newcastle Library service. We work hard to provide a wide range of events and activities that will delight, inspire and engage the widest range of children and young people. As well as housing comprehensive resources both physically and digitally for learning and pleasure, our activities programme runs throughout the year. Many of our young people in the 'Reading Hacks' group take part in volunteering opportunities, for example, encouraging younger children to read in the Summer Reading Challenge or interviewing authors, helping at author events and craft activities, or being part of the Big Juice Read event and the Northern Children's Book Festival Gala day. Volunteer training is fun, new skills are often developed and creative imaginations flourish. Take part in Arts Award with Newcastle Libraries and see what you can do...

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28. No Limits Theatre

nolimitstheatre.org.uk

No Limits mission is to make great theatre that is inclusive, innovative and inspirational. We are committed to work that enables children, young people and community groups to experience high quality theatre, realise their potential and celebrate artistic excellence both as audience members and through active participation. Our workshops provide the opportunity to experience the richness of the arts and cover theatre, drama, music, dance and design. We can deliver Arts Award in any setting as a complete project or to support the delivery of your Arts Award work. In addition to workshops our work also includes theatrical productions, interviews and 'meet the artist' opportunities. Led by members of our creative team we can encompass general aspects of Arts Award or deliver to a theme, topic or the national curriculum. To find out more or to discuss an Arts Award idea please get in contact.

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29. Northern Gallery for Contemporary Art

ngca.co.uk

Northern Gallery for Contemporary Art's education and outreach programme provides opportunities for people to access and engage with the gallery and its exhibitions. The gallery runs a programme of talks, tours, workshops and projects and we work with primary and secondary schools, youth groups, community groups, colleges and universities, individuals and families. The NGCA offers half and full day workshops for school groups working towards their Discover or Explore Arts Award. The workshops are led by a professional artist and respond directly to the current exhibition, and include time spent looking and discussing the artwork in the gallery and a practical activity. Workshops can include one or more art forms as well as an introduction to the organisation and staff. Curator-led tours are also available and self-led visits are welcomed. Please contact us for more information.

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30. Northern Print

northernprint.org.uk

Northern Print has over 20 years' experience delivering wide-ranging and inclusive printmaking workshops. We provide high quality, value for money and engaging hands-on learning taught by knowledgeable printmakers using professional printmaking equipment and materials. Attendees at workshops taking place at Northern Print also benefit from the opportunity to visit our gallery showing contemporary printmaking from nationally and internationally recognized artists. Our specialist portable printing equipment, including a printing press, enables us to take printmaking into a wide range of venues working with pupils of any age or ability. We have a comprehensive range of workshops, including Arts Award, which can be tailored to your specific requirements to link in with artists and project themes, support coursework or as part of an arts week activity.

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31. Northern Stage

northernstage.co.uk

Northern Stage is the largest producing theatre company in the North East. Our Participation programme works with people of all ages throughout the year with regular activities at our theatre in Newcastle and in schools and community venues across the region. We run workshops, events, tours and bespoke projects which can be tailored towards Arts Award.

“ We work with artists and cultural partners to expand on existing interests of all teaching staff, so they can develop alongside the student, and look at things differently in terms of how they work ”

Headteacher

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32. North Tyneside Music Education Hub

ntmeh.org.uk

North Tyneside Music Education Hub is a collaborative partnership of a well-established, high quality and ambitious local authority music service and a group of identified lead partners and Hub Governors which sit under the direction of North Tyneside Council. Our key partnerships enable us to provide significant and diverse musical opportunities and activities for our children and young people. Supported by national and local funding through the Arts Council and engaging with local businesses and outside agencies, the hub aims to ensure equality of opportunity for all children and young people regardless of their circumstances and background. The Hub encourages all settings to support young people in Arts Award journeys from Discover to Gold award. For further information on how to integrate Arts Award into settings and how to access other potential support within the community, please get in contact.

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33. Open Clasp Theatre Company

openclasp.org.uk

Open Clasp makes truthful, risk-taking and unforgettable theatre from a female gaze to inspire new and young audiences. Our theatre and workshops tour to community venues, schools and theatres. All of our work is created through collaboration with communities, including children and young people and, whilst we work primarily with women and young women, we also work with mixed groups in schools. During 2015 we are working with schools and young people to develop a free, online educational resource looking at issues affecting young people including cyberbullying, homophobic bullying and domestic violence. We can also provide drama workshops on a wide range of subjects. Please contact us to discuss your project ideas and explore how we can work with you.

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34. Sage Gateshead

sagegateshead.com

Sage Gateshead is an international home for music and musical discovery. Young people can take part in all types and style of music in our building and across the North East region. Join a band, learn from the very best with Royal Northern Sinfonia or attend one of our concerts or large scale schools events, Big Sing. Our team engages on a daily basis with a diverse range of young people including young carers and looked after children as well as young people who are NEET, SEND. We can also offer young people experiences in a workplace through work placements. Please contact our Learning and Participation programme for more information.

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35. Segedunum Roman Fort

twmuseums.org.uk/segedunum-roman-fort

Segedunum is the first and most easterly fort on Hadrian's Wall with surviving foundations of many buildings and part of Hadrian's Wall itself. There is a large interactive museum plus full-scale reconstructions of a bath house and a section of Wall. There is also a herb garden, a pottery kiln and bread oven and a 35m high viewing tower providing outstanding views across this UNESCO World Heritage Site. We have an experienced learning team who can support participants to achieve the different parts of the Discover, Explore, Bronze and Silver Awards, through the offer of exhibitions, workshops, talks and tours.

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36. Seven Stories

sevenstories.org.uk

Our mission is to save, celebrate and share original materials relating to children's books and we are an arts organisation, museum and archive. Our varied collection provides insight and inspiration into the creative processes of authors and illustrators from first scribble to final book. We work with schools, FE/HE sector, and families offering: access to artists, authors, illustrators and drama practitioners; immersive and multi-sensory exhibitions showcasing our collection holdings, authors, illustrators and books; CPD for practitioners and educators; and book packs and resources, all of which promote reading for pleasure, increased literacy, and the value of children's books as cultural capital for children and young people's creative responses. Our learning programme takes place both at Seven Stories and in education and community settings. We offer Arts Award and our programme supports the achievement of Artsmark. Please contact us to discuss your requirements.

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37. Shipley Art Gallery

twmuseums.org.uk/shipley-art-gallery

The Shipley Art Gallery is home to the largest collection of Contemporary Craft outside London and includes work by leading makers in a wide variety of media such as, ceramics, wood, metal, glass, textiles and jewellery. The Shipley Art Gallery is a unique resource for teachers, students and community groups. The gallery's collections of Contemporary Craft, Design, and Fine art, give access to work of the highest quality. The variety of these collections facilitates the cross-curricular programme of education work that is available, within the gallery. Our sessions for groups are based on the permanent collection and its associated handling resources together with the changing exhibition programme. The Gallery also houses one of Britain's finest collections of post-war studio-ceramics. It includes work by a number of influential and innovative ceramicists. This collection is of particular use to secondary and further education students of Art and Design and Technology.

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38. Skimstone Arts

skimstone.org.uk

Skimstone Arts make captivating theatre, music and art in collaboration with artists, researchers and people experiencing increased social vulnerability. We are based at Newcastle Arts Centre. Let us help you to deliver your Bronze, Silver or Gold Arts Award with the following:
Bronze: Taking part, coming to experience an arts event
Silver: Unit 1: Supporting arts challenges, reviewing arts events, researching artists and arts organisations. Unit 2: Being part of a leadership team.
Gold Unit 1: personal arts development and leadership opportunities through volunteer placements. We can offer either; bespoke arts activity for up to 10 young people in theatre or music or digital arts or current ongoing arts activity within a studio setting for young people. We have over 7 years of experience in delivering Arts Award as arts led organisation, which supports the arts practice and leadership of young people, especially those in challenging or vulnerable circumstances.

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39. The Soundroom Community Music Project

thesoundroom.org.uk

We are community based music and associated arts charity with rehearsal, recording and performance space in our facilities. We hold twice-weekly Youth Music sessions for young people of all abilities, aged 13 – 19, to learn about their instruments and vital technical skills; write, rehearse, record and perform alone or in bands, as well as learn inter-band skills, the ins and outs of the music industry, promotion, presentation and band identity in a user-led, informal learning environment. We also have regular youth gigs in and out of our centre and support a number of other groups providing plenty of opportunities for our young people to grow as musicians and people in a wide variety of situations.

“ We use the arts to look at the child as a whole and to support them in different ways ”

Teacher

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Seven Stories,
National Centre for Children's Books
Image by Damien Wooten ©

40. South Shields Museum

twmuseums.org.uk/south-shields

South Shields Museum and Art Gallery is a small friendly museum with a fascinating collection of objects and artworks relating to the local area. Collections held at the Museum mainly relate to the natural, social, industrial and maritime history of South Tyneside and include collections of art portraying the area and work by local artists. There is also a varied temporary exhibition program that changes regularly. Our learning team are trained as advisors in Discover, Explore, Bronze and Silver Arts Awards and can facilitate learning and Arts Award projects for all ages and abilities including SEND using our programmes of exhibitions workshops, tours and talks.

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41. South Tyneside Libraries

southtyneside.gov.uk/article/8839/Libraries

We are a public library service serving South Tyneside whose school Arts Award program focuses on promoting reading, literacy and the love of books. As well as a comprehensive workshop offer for groups, we can create bespoke sessions for specific Arts Award projects. Our Arts Award work focuses around books, authors and illustrators providing an Arts Award experience in the world of literature.

“ Celebrating pupils’ achievements and their strengths [in the arts] enhances the work that we do with our students ”

Teacher

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42. Stephenson Railway Museum

twmuseums.org.uk/stephenson

Stephenson Railway Museum is home to engines and artefacts that tell the story of the North East’s unique railway heritage and the legacy of the great railway pioneers, George and Robert Stephenson. Our learning team are trained as advisors in Discover, Explore, Bronze and Silver Arts Awards and can facilitate learning and Arts Award projects for all ages and abilities including SEND using our programmes of events, workshops, tours and talks. Please contact our Learning Team for more information and to talk about your requirements.

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43. Sunderland Empire

creativelearning.atg.co.uk

Sunderland Empire is the largest cultural venue in the city of Sunderland and is locally regarded as the West End of the North East for housing high calibre productions. The venue’s Creative Learning department strives to nurture an interest in creativity and aims to connect residents to their local theatre through the delivery of Creative Learning activities. We cover a wide spectrum of subjects, ages and learning needs. Participants can embark on an exploration of the exciting and inspiring Sunderland Empire, this can be offered through an interactive tour; unravelling the amazing heritage of the building, gathering facts, rubbings and photos. We can explore even further into the inspiring world of theatre through participatory talks, Q&A’s and bespoke workshops. We look forward to discussing how we can help support a special Arts Award project for your group.

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44. Sunderland Museums & Heritage Service

seeitdoitsunderland.co.uk

Sunderland Museums & Heritage Service deliver a variety of arts activities for children and young people across four sites in Sunderland; Sunderland Museum & Winter Gardens, Mowbray Park, Monkwearmouth Station Museum and Washington ‘F’ Pit. These activities are inspired by the Museums’ permanent collections of decorative and fine art, social history, natural history and world cultures. Temporary exhibitions, including those touring from national museums such as the National Portrait Gallery, The National Gallery and the V&A can also inspire different Arts Award projects. For more information about how Sunderland Museums & Heritage Service can support your Arts Award project with talks, tours, activities and resources, please get in contact with the Museum Learning Team.

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45. Sunderland Music Education Hub

sunderlandschools.org/citymusic

Sunderland Music Education Hub working with schools, providers and stakeholders delivers a high quality music education, a wide-ranging music enrichment programme and singing and playing opportunities for all. It champions the role of music in the development of children, young people, schools, communities and families across the City.

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46. Tyne & Wear Archives

twmuseums.org.uk/schools/tyne-and-wear-archives

Tyne & Wear Archives is the largest archives service in the North East, with twelve miles of shelves holding millions of documents; it offers teachers a goldmine of primary source material covering 500 years of local and national history. We have incorporated Archive material into Discovery Museum's sessions, such as the popular "Great Fire of Newcastle & Gateshead" workshop. We also offer groups, sessions on how to use the Archive effectively, how to use archive material to develop Local History enquiries and also promote the use of an extensive Film Archive called "Mediatheque", provided by the British Film Institute. Our Learning team are happy to discuss with teachers how to tailor any visits to different themes and projects, including Arts Award.

Discovery Learning Team

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47. Tyneside Cinema

tynesidecinema.co.uk

Tyneside Cinema delivers an extensive Learning and Participation programme that includes a range of opportunities for children and young people aged 8 – 24 to get involved in film, learn and develop skills and produce their own work. Arts Award at different levels is on offer throughout. We also offer workshops and activities for schools and teachers that use film to develop personal and creative skills and that are linked to various areas of the national curriculum and take place in our amazing Pop Up Film School. We can work with you to create bespoke Arts Award opportunities. The Factory, Tyneside Cinema's free arts project for young people (14 – 19) and offers opportunity to

- Experiment with digital art
- Work with professional artists
- Meet like-minded people
- Get creative and learn new skills
- Develop yourself as artist

You can work towards your Arts Award (Bronze, Silver or Gold) as part of your Factory activities.

Jude Thomas

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48. ZENDEH

zendeh.com

ZENDEH is an award-winning national touring theatre company based in the UK. Our eclectic cross art form productions are inspired by true socio-political events and are crafted without bias or propaganda. Small scale touring with integrated learning experiences is our passion. We have a lust for life, our company name is the English word ALIVE translated to the Farsi word ZENDEH. By integrating the National accredited scheme of Arts Award into the heart of ZENDEH practice and our working Method we will further support young people who want to deepen their engagement with the arts, build creative and leadership skills. Opportunities are integrated into every level of our work from placement & volunteering; taking part in our OCEANS creative Lab or ZENDEH Artist(s) Award; seeing behind the scenes and interview opportunities with the creative team; to reduced tickets and entry to unique experiences and activities.

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by Tyneside Cinema

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www.tinarts.co.uk
9. **National Youth Choirs of Great Britain**
www.nycgb.org.uk

“ We are always keen to extend and widen links with a range of partners ”

Cultural Organisation

County Durham



01. Beamish Museum

beamish.org.uk

Beamish Museum offers a variety of activities and resources for school groups across the educational spectrum. They are fully described on the website: www.beamish.org.uk just follow the links through to the learning pages. The stories told in the Museum link with the Arts Award, For example: Proggy Mat design and make, Quilts, Folk Art, Paintings, Photographs, Clog Dancing and Period Singing and much, much more.

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02. The Bowes Museum

thebowesmuseum.org.uk

The Bowes Museum houses a variety of collections and exhibitions, integrating fine art with contemporary works, fashion, ceramics and much more. The learning programme incorporates these collections and exhibitions, offering links to many curriculum areas, resources and activities for all ages. As an Arts Award Centre we are able to provide a venue where groups can gain inspiration for their Arts Award projects.

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03. Durham Cathedral

durhamcathedral.co.uk

Durham Cathedral offers a wide programme of tours and activities for all Key Stages, Further Education, Additional Needs groups and uniformed organisations. Linked to our religious, historical and cultural heritage, we can also create bespoke tours and workshops to meet your needs, including Arts Awards projects. From September 2015 we are offering the 'Discover' award in a day's visit, with a small amount of follow up work, looking at the Cathedral's tapestries or woodwork. Please contact our Education Team for more information and to discuss your project requirements in further detail.

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Great North Greats Programme

04. Durham Music Service

[durham.gov.uk/
durhammusicservice](http://durham.gov.uk/durhammusicservice)

Durham Music Service is the lead partner in the Durham and Darlington Music Education Hub which is supported using public funding by Arts Council England. We work in partnership with Durham County Council to facilitate world class performance and learning opportunities for pupils of all abilities in Darlington and Durham, including facilitating Arts Award in many of our schools. Our teachers make weekly/fortnightly visits to most Primary & Secondary Schools in County Durham & Darlington, delivering 'small group' instrumental and vocal tuition to around 3600 pupils. We also offer a wide range of 'whole class' musical programmes which may be individually tailored to suit pupils from Early Years to Key Stage 2.

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05. Durham Uni Library & Museums

durham.ac.uk/4schools

Durham University has a wide range of cultural attractions and collections that can be used by students studying for Arts Award. From a Norman Castle to the collections relating to the art, history and culture of the East at the Oriental Museum to an archaeology collection to a substantial archive and rare books library, we are able to offer links to many curriculum areas, resources and activities for all ages. As well as a comprehensive workshop offer for groups, we can create bespoke talks, tours and workshops for specific projects including Arts Award. Please contact our Learning Team for more information and to talk about your requirements.

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06. Jack Drum Arts

jackdrum.co.uk

Jack Drum Arts is a combined arts company with a 30 year history of using the arts to successfully engage with children and young people as a tool for self-expression. We work with all ages and abilities, both in and out of school settings, and offer bespoke projects using music, drama, film, media, dance and visual arts. We are an Arts Award Centre offering Discover, Explore, Bronze, Silver and Gold accreditation linked to high quality arts projects that are fun, engaging and meaningful for those that are involved. We have a specialism in the field of mental health and run regular sessions for young people who are vulnerable and at risk via our Young People's Cree project as well as a regular youth theatre via Jackass Youth Theatre. Please contact us for more information and to discuss your requirements.

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07. The Forge

intheforge.com

The Forge is a dedicated creative organisation at the leading edge of participatory practice for children and young people. The Forge works with artists, educators and cultural organisations, commissioning, producing and facilitating cultural practice of outstanding quality. We work in partnership with schools to create better outcomes for children and young people. This includes programming one-off artist workshops in schools, finding appropriate artists to develop CPD for teaching staff and developing longer-term residencies or action research projects to measure the benefits of sustained cultural activity on pupils' progression and well-being. As well as creating cultural projects with schools, The Forge also manages the regional delivery of Artsmark – the Arts Council's flagship scheme for schools, with the support of Culture Bridge North East – and runs Arts Award training sessions. We are always looking at new ways of engaging with formal education so please contact us to explore possibilities.

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08. TIN Arts

tinarts.co.uk

We are an inclusive dance organisation who specialise in engaging children and young people through participatory programmes in Durham and across the North East. We work with schools and youth groups to support and enhance their dance-related activities, including Arts Award. Please contact us to discuss your project ideas and explore how we can work with you.

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09. National Youth Choirs of Great Britain

nycgb.org.uk

The National Youth Choirs of Great Britain (NYCGB) comprises eight constituent choirs for young people from primary school age to those leaving University. Collectively, we aim to be the most inspirational and innovative organisation for young singers in the UK, discovering and nurturing exceptional musical talent, providing unrivalled performance opportunities and world-class musical and leadership training to the widest possible range of young people in society, creating the next generation of music-lovers and choral enthusiasts who will in turn guarantee the continuing excellence and variety of the UK's vibrant and diverse choral tradition.

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Tees Valley



01. ARC Stockton Arts Centre

arconline.co.uk

ARC is a venue in the centre of Stockton on Tees, offering a full programme of professional, high quality cultural entertainment including music, comedy, drama, dance, spoken word, film and work for families. Our Creative Programmes team can work with Arts Coordinators in schools to help embed a visit to ARC into Arts Award Discover and Explore programmes. We can also talk to schools and youth groups about how we can help them to deliver the reviewing and researching elements of the Arts Awards, across a range of art forms.

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02. BloomInArt

bloominart.co.uk

BloomInArt Northeast CIC deliver the Arts Award through creative workshops all delivered by professional artists. We specialise in kiln formed glass and inspire the development of creative ideas and individual styles using mediums such as ceramics, textiles, printmaking and sculpture. These creative workshops will capture, develop and encourage young people to find their inner artist, build confidence in their talents and find their creative strengths. We are passionate about the importance of the arts in education. Embracing the arts at a young age can have a positive impact on a child's overall learning and development. Our workshops can incorporate subjects such as maths, science and creative writing whilst developing a creative design. We create bespoke projects to suit your needs and can develop work into permanent installation pieces.

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03. The Captain Cook Birthplace Museum

captcook-ne.co.uk

The Captain Cook Birthplace Museum tells the story of one of the most famous local heroes to come from the North East who became one of the world's greatest navigators and mariners. The museum tells the story of Cook's life through themed display galleries, temporary exhibitions, associated activities and events and a lively education programme offering a variety of services tailor-made to suit the needs of every individual group. From Captain Cook to Pirates, Australia and the Polar regions the museum can cover a variety of workshops and activities all of which can include Arts Award. Please contact us with your ideas and requirements and we would be happy to work with you to develop a plan to cover your group's needs.

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04. Head of Steam - Darlington Railway Museum

head-of-steam.co.uk

Head of Steam - Darlington Railway Museum has a collection relating to the railway history of the North East. Housed in North Road Station, we hold objects and archives about the Stockton and Darlington Railway, railways in the region and the history of Darlington. Our key exhibits include Locomotion Number 1, and several Darlington built engines. Our workshops and activities offer links to many curriculum areas, and are suitable for all ages. As well as a variety of creative workshops on offer for groups, we can create bespoke talks, tours and workshops for specific projects including Arts Award.

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05. Dorman Museum

dormanmuseum.co.uk

The Dorman museum is a social and natural history museum in the heart of Middlesbrough. The education team offer a variety of workshops on topics that support the curriculum in local schools from key stage 1 to 3. We can support schools working through their arts award with visits and workshops, and we also deliver an Arts Awards programme for Discover and Explore.

“ We monitor the quality of delivery but also the quality of support that's given to a school ”

Cultural Organisation

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06. Hartlepool Art Gallery

destinationhartlepool.com

With a frequently changing exhibition programme at Hartlepool Art Gallery you can enjoy contemporary and fine art, photography, crafts and work of national, regional and local importance. Along with evening events for young people and an Arts Award summer school we can offer schools the following:

- Visits and guided tours of our exhibition programme at Hartlepool Art Gallery
- Blogging opportunities where young people can share their ideas and opinions about exhibitions
- A young person's exhibition space for schools and colleges which can be used as a project space to develop leadership skills
- Events and workshops which provide taster opportunities to participate in arts activities led by artists.
- Opportunities to volunteer for individual young people to fulfil the leadership criteria of the silver award.
- We are happy to talk to you about a bespoke offer - please let us know how we can help you or your group achieve their Arts Award!

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07. Museum of Hartlepool

hartlepoolsmaritimeexperience.com

The Museum of Hartlepool tells the story of a past packed with exciting events and interesting people through its displays, objects and characters. Our school programme, for all Key Stages, includes workshops on curriculum themed topics from the Romans to Victorian Local History, Seaside Holidays to Pirates. Art Gallery workshops are based on the current exhibitions and explore many different themes and techniques. The museum and gallery can both be used as a resource for working towards, or achieving Arts Award.

08. Hartlepool Town Hall Theatre

destinationhartlepool.com

The beautiful Gothic style of Hartlepool Town Hall Theatre is the perfect setting for a diverse range of performances!

- Backstage tours of Town Hall theatre
- Blogging opportunities where young people can share their ideas and opinions about exhibitions and theatre shows
- Hartlepool Town Hall theatre also offers discounted tickets for young people working towards Arts Award.
- We are happy to talk to you about a bespoke offer - please let us know how we can help you or your group achieve their Arts Award!

“ At the very beginning there was a lot of self-doubt, and now I feel like I’ve got all of the tools to go and work in the industry ”

NICE,
Middlesbrough

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09. Middlesbrough Institute of Modern Art

visitmima.com

mima offer a wide range of opportunities for children, young people and teachers, encouraging open and supportive enquiry around modern and contemporary art. Using the gallery spaces and a bespoke education space, mima develop individual thinking around the work of artists; as well develop language, discussion, and observational skills, in turn developing positive experiences for all participants. For more information, please see our current newsletters visit mima.com/learning/schools-colleges-and-teachers/ or contact Erin Rolfe, Education Officer.

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10. Musinc

musinc.org.uk

Musinc, the Teesside musical inclusion resource, works with musicians and agencies that support young people in order to:

- Develop & commission music activities for young people
- Develop the 'Teesside musical inclusion network', a group of professionals from the youth and arts sectors who share practice and expertise
- Enable musicians and those who support young people to learn and to develop their skills.

Our focus is on those most in need, vulnerable and hard to reach young people in the local authority areas of Middlesbrough, Stockton, Hartlepool and Redcar and Cleveland who are facing significant challenges in their lives. We believe young people can make positive changes in their lives by getting involved in music. Music making can develop self-esteem, improve mental health and wellbeing, increase tolerance and understanding and enable young people to be confident in different and demanding situations.

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11. Navigator North

navigatornorth.com

Navigator North exists to initiate, facilitate and promote opportunities for visual artists and to further their creative practice. Based in Dundas House, Middlesbrough we work across Teesside and Co Durham to explore the connections between artists, spaces and audiences. We initiate activities to raise the public awareness of artists, artworks and creative practice, stimulating dialogue, interaction and engagement. Through our partnership with East Street Arts we manage, programme and activate 'meanwhile' spaces as artist studios, project, event and exhibition spaces. We offer professional development opportunities to visual artists with particular emphasis towards early stage artists via our 6 month NICE programme which incorporates Gold Arts Award and includes mentoring, studio space, skills development, leadership opportunities and networking.

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12. Preston Park Museum & Grounds

prestonparkmuseum.co.uk

Preston Park Museum and Grounds has a varied collection representing the diverse history of Stockton on Teesside. The learning programme focuses on the local/social history of Stockton, including; Victorian times, Saxons, Vikings, local heroes, art and photography, WW1, WW2 and Mini Beasts offering links to many curriculum areas, resources and activities for all ages. As well as a comprehensive workshop offer for groups, we can, (when staff capacity allows) create tailored projects including Arts Award. Please contact our Learning Team for more information and to talk about your requirements.

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13. Stockton Library & Heritage

stockton.gov.uk/libraries

Stockton libraries have moved on! We still do the books bit, ensuring we always have the very latest titles, but we do so much more... The aim of Stockton Libraries is to provide a quality, relevant, accessible and modern service which is responsive to the needs and lifestyles of its users. We work with schools and a range of cultural organisations providing exciting opportunities for children and young people. This includes bespoke sessions in the library and a range of projects that run annually including Stockton Children's Book of the Year, Northern Children's Book Festival, Crossing the Tees Book Festival and Stockton Junior Storytellers. We also have regular visits from authors, illustrators and poets and offer a range of events and activities throughout the year that can be part of an Arts Award.

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14. Tees Valley Music Service

tvms.org.uk

Tees Valley Music Service (TVMS) provides instrumental and vocal tuition to children & young people in over 240 settings across four local authorities (Stockton, Middlesbrough, Redcar & Cleveland and Hartlepool). These pupils receive free access to 39 ensembles from beginner level with a progression pathway to the internationally acclaimed Tees Valley Youth Orchestra and Tees Valley Youth Choir. TVMS also offers support and enrichment to primary, secondary and special schools and colleges across the four areas. We offer bespoke workshops to support the National Curriculum and specific topics and projects such as Arts Award.

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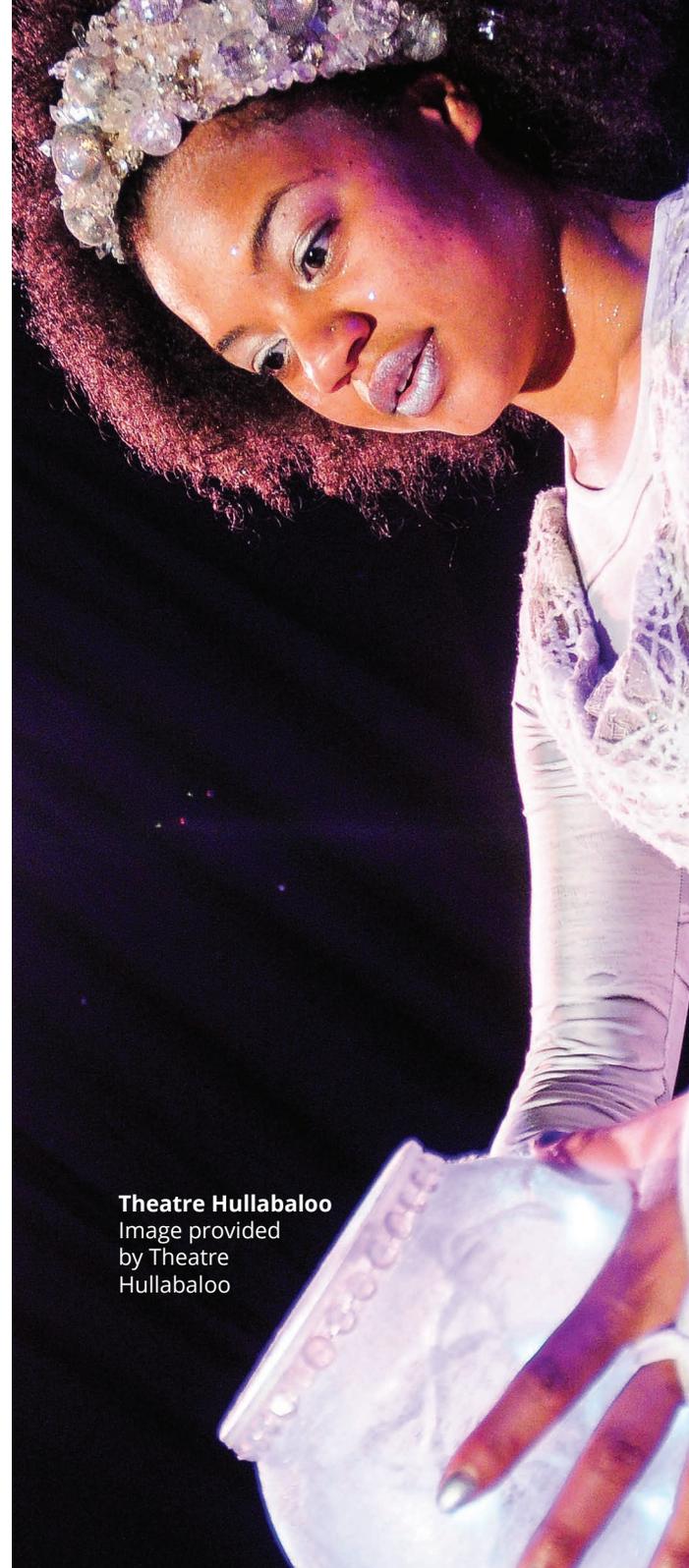
15. Theatre Hullabaloo

theatrehullabaloo.org.uk

Theatre Hullabaloo is a theatre company based in Darlington that makes and tours theatre for young audiences, aged 0 – 16. We create pioneering, innovative and magical shows to delight young imaginations and tour them to venues and schools nationally and internationally. Theatre Hullabaloo also produces TakeOff Festival – England's leading festival of theatre for young audiences which takes place in County Durham every October (www.takeofffestival.org.uk). Theatre Hullabaloo supports Arts Award. To achieve an Arts Award at Bronze, Silver or Gold Level, you could work with us in several ways, including: watching one of our shows, taking part in a workshop, reviewing one of our shows or gaining work experience with us. Get in touch to discuss your ideas and we'd love to help you achieve your Arts Award.

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Theatre Hullabaloo
Image provided by Theatre Hullabaloo

16. Tees Valley Arts (TVA)

teesvalleyarts.org.uk

TVA is a participatory arts organisation based in Middlesbrough, working across the five boroughs of the Tees Valley. TVA embeds Arts Award, where possible, in its entire creative activity and supports young people to achieve their qualification at each level. TVA is an Arts Award training agency at Discover and Explore Level. We provide three public training a year and can also offer in house training. For more info on how we can support you in your Arts Award offer, please get in contact.

“...use it in your own way to complement what you are doing in the planning and delivery. Ensure that participants can have their own voice and take ownership of their own learning”

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