Ku-ring-gai High School

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Talent Enrichment Program 2019

The Talent Enrichment Program at Ku-ring-gai High School is the epitome of future focused learning. Every student from Years 7—10 has 2 extra hours of subjects of their choice per week to inspire, create and challenge.

These subjects encourage creative thinking, collaboration and problem solving as students engage in such areas as creative writing, animation, construction, voice, drama, and dance.

Students will elect their preferences for TEP courses for 2019 online in the last weeks of 2018.

COURSES ON OFFER FOR 2019 ARE:

DANCE

Depending on student interest and numbers, there will be two dance classes offered. These classes will be graded on prior dance experience and genre. They will be given mentoring opportunities, as well as exposure to industry events and leaders through masterclasses, rehearsals and excursions. These will expose students to various aspects of technique, choreography and performance styles.

The company group, which have prior dance experience, will be expected to perform at school concerts/assemblies and in several extra-curricular performances. These may include: North Sydney Dance Festival, Sydney Eisteddfod, Hills Eisteddfod, Ryde Eisteddfod and School Performances. Advanced level students may have the opportunity to work with professional guest practitioners.

There will also be an opportunity for the beginners/intermediate group to perform in some of the above performances.

The fee associated with the program is \$200, this includes Eisteddfod entries, tutors, competitions and costume hire. Costumes are to be returned at the end of each year once performances have concluded.



DRAMA

If you are a creative, spontaneous and energetic person who loves exploring the world of drama and theatre, then this program is for you. TEP Drama will stretch your imagination and creativity through improvisation, playbuilding and a variety of acting and performance styles. You will be given the opportunity to develop voice and movement skills, as well as develop your confidence in performing and presenting to audiences. TEP Drama students will develop performance pieces for school related and independent drama events, performing to peers and the wider community.

COST: \$40



FILM SCREEN PRODUCTION

This course will allow students to explore a range of aspects of film, including, techniques, genre, narrative, script-writing, and audience. The course will provide a basic understanding of various techniques available to filmmakers to create cinematic depictions. This practical based course has an emphasis on the development of the skills that are used in the production of films. In production-based assignments you write, direct and edit your own work, collaborating with others in the exploration of ideas and in developing solutions to problems.

Pre-requisites: Specific skills and knowledge that will make it easier for students to be successful in this course include:

- -An interest in film studies.
- -An interest in being challenged.
- -A willingness to work independently to complete a task.
- -Capacity to work co-operatively within a group.
- -Demonstrate self-direction and motivation.

COST: \$40



WORLD LANGUAGES

The World Languages TEP course offers the opportunity to investigate language and culture from the French & Spanish-speaking world. Students will have a French semester and a Spanish semester. Starting with basic introductions, the course will cover a variety of topics to enable them to describe and discuss their social environment. Students will have the opportunity to learn using games and interactive technology and to experience French and Spanish music, film and food.



POPULAR MUSIC

The Popular Music course will offer extension opportunities for talented singers and rock instrumentalists. Two classes of students will work in various groupings throughout the year to extend their technical skills both as a soloist and members of a group (e.g. singing workshop, guitar masterclass) as well as developing skills in musical expression and staging.

The group will work with specialist tutors at times to work collaboratively developing pieces to a performance standard. Visiting performers may include ex-students, professionals and current senior musicians from Ku-ringgai High School. Both classes will work in various combinations to create high quality performances in a variety of styles and vocal/instrumental groupings.

Students will develop skills in staging, use of microphones and PA equipment, vocal percussion and looping within their performances. They will assist each other by giving and receiving regular feedback on each other's performances in class.

Performances will be presented regularly both in and out of class to showcase the student's work. These will include school events such as assemblies, concerts and talent quests, as well as external opportunities as they arise. These may include local primary school tours, Eisteddfods, festivals, competitions and the Schools Spectacular.

COST: \$40

A NOVEL IDEA

Unleash the writer in you! Do you love to read? Do you enjoy crafting your own compositions? Then here's 'A Novel Idea' for you! You will get to read texts of your own choice, discuss them with like-minded people and best of all, you'll get to publish. You never know, you may be the next J.K Rowling, John Marsden or Matthew Reilly.

COST: \$40



PAINTING

This course is designed for students with a keen artistic ability, who wish to further develop their technique in painting and layering of different paint mediums. The focus is on improving the understanding of colour theory and layering techniques artists use to establish depth, texture and perspective within their artworks. Students will learn how to manipulate different mediums including acrylic, watercolour, free flow, house paint, and gouache. Students will paint on a variety of different surfaces such as canvas, paper, board and recycled materials. Students should be able to sustain an artmaking process over an extended period of time.



PHOTOGRAPHY/ DIGITAL MEDIA

Students will produce a portfolio of work, using Google sites, which documents their progress and skills in digital photography and wet/darkroom photography. Students should have a keen interest and ability in using digital SLR cameras, and in using manipulation and editing software such as Photoshop and Lightroom. Students are encouraged to bring their own digital SLR to work on their photography skills. Students will work in groups or as individuals to develop photography projects. Some projects include looking at composition, portrait photography, macro photography, stop motion photography, wet/darkroom photography, and photograms.

COST: \$40



ROBOTICS / CODING CAPERS

Learning by doing! Coding Capers teaches computer programming skills, logic and problem solving through interactive and exciting projects. This class is perfect for students who have great imaginations, enjoy figuring out how things work or simply love technology. Create animated video games. Learn the basics of LEGO EV3 Robot programming – build a robot and program it to avoid obstacles, pick up objects, sing and even dance around the room. Discover a new way to bring mathematics, science, and computer science to life.

COST: \$40



SKETCH

Students will explore a range of traditional drawing media to create representational art and designs. The focus will be on improving skill in realistic depictions and in creating original fantasy images related to a given topic. Students will also explore the use of the drawing tablet, stylus and computer software to produce vector and raster based drawings and designs.

COST: \$40



SPORT

Sport incorporates a wide range of lifelong physical activities, including recreational, leisure and adventure pursuits, competitive and non-competitive games, individual and group physical fitness activities.

COST: \$40 + ADDITIONAL VENUE CHARGES



STEM INTO THE FUTURE

Explore the potential of Science and Technology through practical, project based activities. This course will engage

students in building devices that apply scientific principles to real life situations. Solar power, simple machines,

designing circuits and creating programs to make them run. STEM is an exciting and growing field of learning and

discovery. Skills in this area offer the jobs of the future.

COST: \$40

TEXTILES WEARABLE ART

This course encourages students to engage with a range of textile items and caters for a variety of student interests. Students will have opportunities to embellish and manipulate textile materials in order to design and

make, or repurpose items of apparel. Students will enhance their skills in understanding the construction of

garments and are required to source materials appropriate to their design.

COST: \$40

TIMBER PRODUCTS AND SKATEBOARD CONSTRUCTION

This course will allow students to be creative through the construction of timber products combined with the challenge of design. The emphasis is on the development of practical skills used to construct timber products and skateboard decks with the application of veneer marquetry.

Students will be required to pay an additional \$60 per skateboard deck if they choose to make extra decks after the initial one has been constructed.

Pre-requisites:

Specific skills and knowledge that will make it easier for students to be successful in this course include-

Interest in being challenged.

Being creative using a variety of materials.

A willingness to work independently to complete a task.

Capacity to work co-operatively within a group.

Demonstrate self-direction and motivation.

