

VCASS VISUAL ARTS INTERVIEW INFORMATION 2020

ENTRY INTO YEAR 11, 2021

Introduction

We provide a nationally and internationally recognised specialist Visual Arts Program. The mission of our school is to help identify, and assist, students with exceptional potential, regardless of their personal circumstances, to benefit from world-class specialist training as part of a broad and balanced education. Positions are open to year 11 students throughout Victoria, Australia and the International community. There are limited positions available for year 12 entry.

Key Dates

Interviews for Visual Arts are scheduled in the week of July 27th 2020.

*Please Note: All audition dates are subject to change due to the availability of specialist panel members and room accessibility.

PLEASE NOTE: You are applying to audition for a Visual Arts extension program that provides education above the standard school curriculum. This extension program attracts a fee of approximately \$750 per term plus essential education fees of approximately \$600 per annum.

Guidelines for interview

Visual Arts interviews are 15 minutes long.

Applicants must arrive at least **15 minutes** before scheduled interview time. At the interview, applicants will be required to:

- Present and discuss a folio of their work that comprises the use of a range of media and techniques. The folio should contain finished artworks as well as a range of drawing studies, trials and experiments. Students should also include visual diaries that they have compiled.
- Supply at least two pieces of writing about artworks they have studied in the past to discuss with the panel.
- Photograph large artworks rather than transporting these to and from the interview.

Multimedia artworks in the folio are encouraged, however, students need to have technology ready for the work to be shown on an appropriate device selected by the student.

Applicants will be given ten minutes to discuss their work with the panel comprising of VCASS teaching staff and visual arts professionals and lecturers. During the interview, students have the opportunity to present their folio and demonstrate their skills, knowledge and understanding of the visual arts.

Students are required to demonstrate their interest and commitment to learning about art with a specific focus on contemporary art ideas and practices. Students should also be willing to discuss exhibitions they have attended

in the past twelve months as well as artists that inspire and motivate them to make art.

- **Applicants should note that it is not the policy of the school to give feedback on interview.**
- A copy of your **Semester One 2020 School Report** must be brought to your audition and submitted to Main Reception upon your arrival. All applications and their contents remain the property of VCASS and will not be returned to applicants.
- Our cafeteria will be open during the interview period.
- Please note that car-parking facilities are **NOT** available on the school campus. Parking is available in nearby streets and at the Arts Centre and the Australian Ballet Centre.

Need help developing a folio for entry into the Visual Arts Program at the Victorian College of the Arts Secondary School?

The Visual Arts Program highly recommends contacting the following organisations:

The Art Room – Footscray: www.the-art-room.com.au

Rings Road Studio: www.ringsroadartstudio.com

Please note: Interview date/time will be emailed after closing date of applications

Visual Arts curriculum information

To view detailed information about the Visual Arts curriculum at VCASS, please visit the Visual Arts page under 'Programs' on our website: [Visual Arts Handbook 2020](#)

Contact

General enquiries

For any general enquiries call our office on 03 8644 8644