

Welcome to AccessArt 2026

We're glad you're here. AccessArt is a [Subject Association for Art and a Registered Charity](#), supporting our [members](#) to help inspire and enable high-quality art education, and advocate for the importance of art in all our lives.

We hope you enjoy exploring. If you have any questions, please [get in touch](#).

AccessArt to Help Shape the National Curriculum for Art and Design

"We're excited by the task ahead and committed to delivering a curriculum teachers enjoy and one that gives every child the chance to thrive creatively."

AccessArt is pleased to announce that our CEO and Creative Director, Paula Briggs, has been contracted by the Department for Education (DfE) to help draft the new National Curriculum programmes of study for art and design. [Read more](#)



What Can Art Educators Learn from Non-Extractive Practices?



As we welcome in a new year, starting a new term and imagining new ways of being, perhaps we can, as art educators, turn also towards new ways of understanding our relationship with our sense of creative purpose. [Read more](#)

Upcoming cpd

Welcome to the Spring Term CPD program of Zoom events aimed at supporting and connecting educators across a variety of educational settings.

Explore all upcoming CPD [here](#).

Drawing Progression Across the AccessArt

Primary Art Curriculum



Wednesday 11th February
4.00 pm – 5.00 pm (Via Zoom)
Free for [AccessArt Members](#)

In the studio: The AccessArt Treehouse Challenge



Wednesday 4th March
4.00 pm – 4.30 pm (Via Zoom)
Free for [AccessArt Members](#)

**Unlocking Creative Confidence: What
AccessArt Offers ITT Providers and
Trainees**



Wednesday 11th March

9.30 am – 10.30 am (Via Zoom)

Free for [AccessArt Members](#) and non-members

LATEST CPD RECORDINGS

Most of our CPD sessions are recorded for our [full AccessArt members](#) to access after the event.

Explore our evolving collection of CPD session recordings [here](#).

cpd Recording: What's Next for Art, Craft & Design in Schools?



[A summary of the recently released Curriculum and Assessment Review](#), and the government response, in relation to art, craft and design education

cpd Recording: The CLA Capabilities framework



[Learn about the CLA Arts Capability Framework](#), a set of core pillars that define the capabilities and qualities nurtured through engagement with expressive arts

CPD Recording: AccessArt Treehouse Challenge



In this practical session, we launched an AccessArt Treehouse Challenge, [Transforming Letters](#)

Thought Piece: 3 Lenses

A recording of the presentation given by Paula Briggs, CEO & Creative Director AccessArt, at the July 2025 All Party Parliamentary Group for Art, Craft and Design Education.

[In this presentation](#), Paula shares three lenses which inform our current thinking about what art education needs from us right now.

[Find more Thought Pieces from AccessArt here](#)

AccessArt Treehouse



The [government's statistics](#) show 20% of pupils are “persistent absentees”, and many more parents and learners find a more appropriate education outside the formal education system.

AccessArt Treehouse ensures that ALL pupils can access a high-quality art education, at a time when they need it the most. [Find out more...](#)

The AccessArt Primary Art Curriculum

AccessArt is perhaps best known for our innovative yet accessible way to teach art in Primary School. [Explore everything you need to know about our approach and resources here.](#)

New Resource: Drawing with two hands

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Explore a series of experimental drawing exercises that require drawing with both hands, putting the emphasis on the process over outcome and challenging preconceptions of what makes a 'good' drawing. [See the resource](#)

Latest Resources

We work in collaboration with artists and educators and we also create content in house. The resources are designed to inspire and enable open-ended creative learning and to make the visual arts as accessible, relevant and engaging as possible.

[See all our resources here](#)

Collaged Costume for Cardboard Figures



Create experimental mixed-media costume designs on cardboard. [Explore here](#)

Speech Bubble Challenge



Explore communication through simple cardboard sculptures. [Explore here](#)

Landscapes inspired by john piper



See how Jo Blaker captures the energy of the sea and landscapes using collage and mark-making. [Explore here](#)

Pedagogy: What Is Material Literacy?

AccessArt works hard to build understanding of best practice in art teaching and learning. Explore our latest Pedagogy resource: [What is Material Literacy](#).

[Explore all pedagogy resources here.](#)

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We are so proud and grateful to our 24,000+ members, and we are excited about where we all go next. Thank you for being part of the AccessArt journey.



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