

## Why Study The Arts?

The Arts contributes to the development of confident and creative individuals, nurturing and challenging them to become active and informed citizens.

Through The Arts, students learn to express their ideas, thoughts and opinions as they discover and interpret the world. They acquire knowledge, skills and understanding that inform decision-making and aesthetic choices.

Students of The Arts learn how to create, design, represent, communicate and share their imagined and conceptual ideas, emotions, observations and experiences through engaging with the world of artists, artworks and audiences.

The Arts values, respects and explores the significant contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to Australia's arts heritage and contemporary practices through their distinctive ways of representing and communicating knowledge, traditions and experiences.

## For more Information

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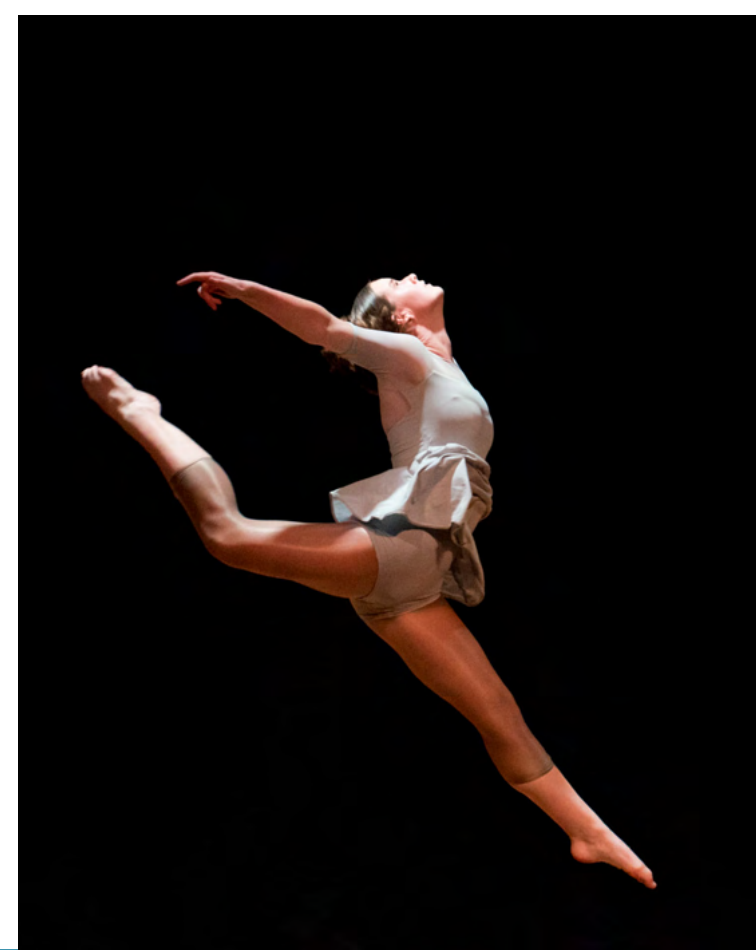
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## Year 7 Performing & Creative Arts



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## Subjects Studied

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**Dance** uses the body as an instrument to communicate and express meaning. Dance education is more than just learning how to dance; it involves reading, writing, thinking, watching and reflecting on dance.

**Drama** explores and depicts real and fictional worlds through the use of body, language, gesture and space to create meaning both as a performer and an audience. Students create, rehearse, perform and respond to dramatic contexts and situations.

**Music** students listen to, compose and perform music from a diverse range of styles, traditions and contexts. They create, shape and share sounds in time and space and critically analyse music.



**Visual Arts** involves students making and responding to artworks, drawing on the world as a source of ideas. Students engage with the knowledge of visual arts, develop skills, techniques and processes.

**Media Arts** learning involves engaging with communication technologies and cross-disciplinary art forms to design, produce, distribute and interact with a range of print, audio, screen-based or hybrid artworks.

## Course Overview

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In Year 7 at Craigslea SHS, students will study The Arts for two 70-minute lessons a week, engaging each semester in the following subjects:

- Dance
- Drama
- Music
- Visual Arts

Refer to Subjects Studied for more detailed information.

## Signature Music

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Signature Music is an extension program with a strong focus on performance. This program is for students in Years 7 to 10 who demonstrate exceptional instrumental and/or vocal talent, and will study the program for the full year as their Arts elective. Throughout the year, students will study the elements of Drama, Dance and Visual Arts.

Selection is by application. Please refer to the Signature Music Program brochure for further information.



## Assessment Summary

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Assessment in all Arts subjects is evenly weighted across the following domains:

- Knowledge and Understanding
- Making
- Responding

Assessments may include written tests, seminar presentations, performances for a specified audience, research assignments, character profiles, storyboards, visual journals and folios of artworks.



## Homework

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Students will be given short homework activities each day to further enhance their classroom learning and they should spend time each night rehearsing their Dance, Drama or Music performances or creating their Visual artworks.

Group work is a major component of the Performing Arts; therefore, students will need to work both individually and collaboratively on some tasks.