MA FINE ART

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The University of Kent’s Fine Art programmes are based within the School of Music and Fine Art at our Medway campus, just 45 minutes from London. This multidisciplinary, waterfront environment incorporates a wide range of recently developed, professional-standard facilities.

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Our programme gives you the space to grow as a professional artist, as well as opportunities to explore curating and arts writing in a unique interdisciplinary environment. You have your own studio space in which to explore a variety of media, with full access to materials and resources.

Fine Art students experiment with approaches to artistic production and its context. You are encouraged to produce a body of work and to understand its place in the world, gaining professionalism in research and practice. The MA culminates in a Final Degree exhibition.

The programme also explores approaches to artistic and critical writing and curation. You are encouraged to produce events and exhibitions and to develop professional and research skills through generating publicity for your work.

Compulsory modules

All students are taught together in an interdisciplinary environment that reflects the world of professional artistic culture within which artists, critics, writers and curators share and discuss practice as part of realising their projects. The compulsory modules are:

- Collaborative Project
- Development of Practice
- Resolution
- Dissertation.

Practice and collaboration

The programme emphasises learning through practice, equipping you with the skills, experiences and techniques to enter your field with confidence and ambition. You are encouraged to work together to produce projects in public and to construct experimental collaborations across the disciplines of Fine Art and Music.

World-leading research

The School of Music and Fine Art has an international reputation for its research with a diverse community of research-active academic staff. Postgraduate students are invited to join our interdisciplinary programme of research events, including conferences, symposia, seminars, performances and exhibitions.

Sound-Image-Space Research Centre

The School of Music and Fine Art is home to the Sound-Image-Space Research Centre which promotes practice-led research underpinned by theory and scholarship within the broad domain of image, sound and the spatial arts. The focus is on new collaborative relationships that generate research outputs through multiple modalities; these include the production of new creative work, performance, publication, and exhibition and curation.

Historic Dockyard location

The School of Music and Fine Art is located within the Chatham Historic Dockyard, a waterfront complex adjacent to the main Medway campus. The Dockyard has a range of historic buildings and is often used as a film location and as the site of large-scale public art projects.

First-class facilities

As Fine Art MA student, you will benefit from a multimillion-pound suite of studio blocks, exhibition spaces, seminar rooms and social facilities at the Historic Dockyard site. The newly renovated Boiler House Workshop has been designed to cover a wide range of making processes.

Features include a woodworking area with a variety of machine tools, a laser cutter, a kiln room, a walk-in spray booth and a metal workshop complete with a welding bay. There is also an outside sculpture yard with a covered work area supplied with compressed air, light, power and lifting equipment.
The Graduate School
As a postgraduate student, you also have the support of the Graduate School, which promotes your academic interests, co-ordinates transferable skills training and the Global Skills Award, and facilitates cross-disciplinary interaction and social networking.

University of Kent
Kent is a top 20 research-intensive university. All of our academic schools produce world-class research, and Kent is rated as internationally excellent, leading the way in many fields of study.

Entry requirements
You should hold a good first degree (usually at least an upper-second class classification or equivalent) in fine art, design or a related subject such as literature, film, journalism, philosophy and sociology. If English is not your first language, you will need to provide proof of proficiency.

You are asked to submit an electronic portfolio of your creative work and a sample of written work.

Other opportunities for postgraduate study
The School of Music and Fine Art also offers a variety of other opportunities for postgraduate study in related areas. MA Sound and Image encompasses artists’ film, audio art, installation, interactive and multimedia works. We also offer PhD supervision in Fine Art (Practice as Research). For further information, please see www.kent.ac.uk/smfa

Tuition fees
For the most up-to-date information on tuition fees, see www.kent.ac.uk/pgfunding

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Excellent study resources
The £8 million Drill Hall Library has over 100,000 items including books, journals and electronic information. As a student, you have access to a range of services such as IT support, library support, and public PCs and printers. Wireless internet access is widely available. The Library also has a netbook and laptop computer loan scheme.

School of Music and Fine Art
The School of Music and Fine Art offers excellent teaching, a strong research culture and superb facilities. Our programmes combine academic rigour with exciting study options across all of the School’s main subject areas: Creative Events, Fine Art and Music and Audio Arts.

Cover image: Natasha Pocock, MA Degree Show 2013 (Winner of the Vice-Chancellor’s Prize).

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