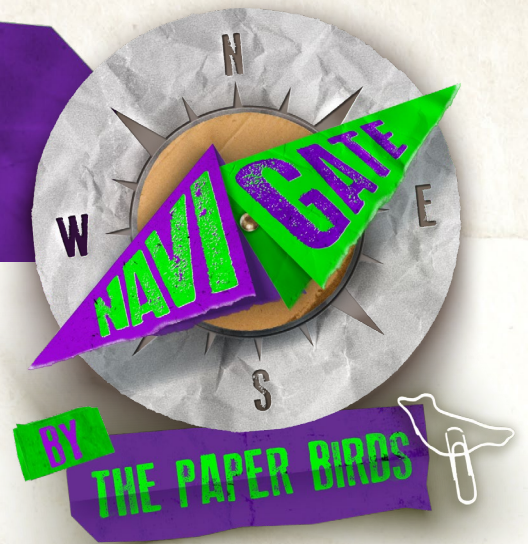


ROUTES INTO THE CREATIVE INDUSTRIES



There are many opportunities available for young people looking to get started in the creative industries.

From apprenticeships and internships to workshops and young board members. In this document we will explore the types of opportunities to get you started.

If you are planning to study for an undergraduate degree within the creative realms, [UCAS](#) is a great place to start exploring creative subjects available at university. [Get into Theatre](#) is another useful search tool highlighting training options including degrees, apprenticeships, internships, work experience and opportunities.

In recent years there has been an increase in Youth Advisory Boards across creative organisations, giving young people the opportunity to make impactful change on the creative landscape. To find practical experience in your chosen career path, the [ERIC](#) app is designed for young people aged 16+ and allows you to browse thousands of creative internships, events, training schemes and courses.

The University of Arts London (UAL) delivers a range of creative disciplines including animation, film making and editing, fashion design, set design, special effects makeup and theatre design and many more for [16-18 year olds](#) and [11-15 year olds](#).

[The Victoria Albert Museum](#) (V&A) host a range of Young People Programmes including apprenticeship, internships and work experience opportunities

Apprenticeships in The Creative Industries

Apprenticeships, particularly technical apprenticeships have been a staple in theatres for many years, and the creative industry has seen an increase in its offering in a wider range of areas across the board. Explore the following links to find out more about available apprenticeships to kick start your career in the creative industries:

For a range of available opportunities, be sure to check out:

[The Apprenticeship Guide](#)

[National College Creative Industries](#)

[Arts Jobs](#)

[Creative Access](#)

Get into Theatre

Get into Theatre list a range of apprenticeship opportunities available across the UK, including [Marketing and Events](#), [Carpentry and Joinery](#) and [Technical Theatre](#).

Royal Shakespeare company

RSC offer a wide range of apprenticeships in customer services, venue management, scenic carpentry, scenic engineering, catering, costume, nursery, prop making, automation and maintenance engineering.

The apprenticeships are designed for people aged 16 and over and are particularly suited to non-graduates.

National Theatre

The National Theatre has hosted over 40 apprentices since launching their apprentice scheme in 2011. The list of Backstage apprentice roles include Creative Venue Technician, Scenic Artist, Scenic Carpenter, Scenic Metal Fabricator and Props maker. The National Theatre also offer apprenticeships in Business operations including IT Support Engineer, Facilities, Marketing Data Analyst and Events.

Ambassador Theatre Group

The Ambassador Theatre Group (ATG) launched their apprenticeship in 2013 and now take on 5 technical apprentices each year. Their Technical Theatre Apprenticeship lasts for two years and gives apprentices time working with lights, flies and stage so that on completion, apprentices have the skills and experience required to work as a multi-skilled technician.

Mackintosh Foundation

The Mackintosh Foundation launched a new apprenticeship scheme in association with 13 venues across the UK in 2023. The initial cohort taking part in the Regional Theatre Technical Apprenticeship Programme are:

[Birmingham Hippodrome](#) - Creative Venue Apprentice

[Bristol Old Vic Theatre](#) - Workshop Theatre Trainee

[Chichester Festival Theatre](#) - Production Management Apprentice

[Curve Leicester](#) - Creative Venue Apprentice

[Edinburgh Lyceum Theatre](#) - Creative Venue (Lighting) Apprentice

[Leeds Playhouse](#) - Costume Making Trainee

[Lyric Theatre Belfast](#) - Production Management Apprentice

[Northern Stage](#) - Creative Venue (Video and Sound Apprentice)

[Nottingham Playhouse](#) - Creative Venue Apprentice

[Royal Shakespeare Company](#) - Wigs, Hair and Makeup Trainee

[Sheffield Theatres](#) - Creative Venue Apprentice

[Theatre Clwyd](#) - Costume Making Trainee

[Theatre Royal Plymouth](#) - Production Management Apprentice