

Assessment Guidelines

Year 9 Art Award

Portfolios for Year 9 should be addressed to Director of Art at King's Ely, Alison Rhodes, and should arrive at the school's admissions' office by the second week in January. It will not be possible to consider candidates whose portfolios arrive after then.

No framed works should be included. Cartoons and copies of other works are of little help in assessing a candidate's potential and should, if included, be kept to a minimum.

The assessments take place in the King's Ely Senior Art Department in January and will run for a period of two hours. Students will be provided with a choice of resource material from a still life arrangement of natural and man-made forms.

The requirement is to produce a series of observational studies showing the ability to explore both linear and tonal effects. Students will be working on an A2 sheet of paper and using pencil and/or pen to document their ideas.

The final task is to evaluate a piece of work from around the department. Students will need to produce a paragraph of writing that identifies the type of image, what the artist or designer has been influenced by and use of media and materials. They will describe the composition and personal reaction to the piece.