

Careers Information & Opportunities



Dear Parents, Carers & Students

Welcome to the weekly Careers News bulletin.

If you have any career tips, comments, suggestions – or come across useful resources - please get in touch.

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Local Opportunities/News/Vacancies

Careers In PR/The Arts - For Historians/Web Designers/Media Students

Are you interested in a career in PR and/or the Arts?

South Mill Arts in Bishop's Stortford are offering our students a wonderful opportunity to get involved with their Arts Centre. They are launching a FREE 6-week programme **with tuition from a professional web designer, for media and history students who are also interested in website development**. As much of museums' work is via websites and social media, it's fast become an essential skill for the industry. The programme will cover branding, logo design, website design and content with the best work forming the foundation of their new museum website. In addition students' blogs will feature on the website. SMA need enthusiastic students to apply who will make the most of this fantastic opportunity - and they particularly encourage applications from students who may not otherwise have the resources to access this sort of opportunity. Sessions will take place on Thursdays 4-6pm on the following dates: 10th, 17th, 24th October, 7th, 21st, 28th November. Applicants should be available to attend all the sessions.

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jshepherd@southmillarts.co.uk by 7th October explaining why you would like to join. If oversubscribed then places will be offered on the strength of a student's email.

Local Job Opportunity

Two opportunities available: Part-Time and an Apprenticeship.

Based in a small team in Little Hadham, a trainee metal worker is needed for a local metal fabrication of aluminium and brass picture frames. They are a metal frame manufacturer for the fine art market whose clients include art galleries, artists, museums such as V&A and Houses of Parliament. No previous experience is needed but they are looking for someone who wants to learn, has patience for detail, and curiosity to develop their skill and role in the business.

Main Roles Include:

Cutting, Grinding, Sanding, and Polishing, and will teach welding of Aluminium and Brass.

Flexible working hours available & review to increase hour rate as skills increase.

Pay: £10.50-£12.00 per hour for expected hours: 25 – 40 per week

Benefits are casual dress, flexitime, on-site parking

Schedule: 8-hour shift, Monday to Friday + overtime & weekend availability

Ability to commute/relocate: Ware, SG11 2DY: reliably commute.

Work Location: In person

For the Part-Time Position:

Minimum age: 15

Qualifications/interests/experience needed: No experience needed, training will be provided but best to have an interest in DT or art.

Hours of work: flexible hours available ideally 8am-4pm or weekends.

When to start: ASAP

Rate of Pay £10.50

Who/how to contact you: Ian Smart 07983353818

accounts@metalframes.co.uk

For Apprenticeship:

Minimum age: 16

Qualifications/interests/experience needed: No experience needed, training will be provided. Interest in DT or art.

Hours of work: 8am - 4pm

When to start: ASAP

Rate of Pay: £10.50 with regular pay review as skills increase.

Trainer provision: All metal work training will be provided as well as learning to MIG weld.

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Please get in touch with Metal Frames if you require further information – here is their Instagram which gives a good idea of what they do: <https://www.instagram.com/metalframesltd>

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Instructables. [Here is the link](#)

Apprenticeships

***Students with a Unifrog log-in can see all
apprenticeship listings, on-demand webinars & more
Students should research the many apprenticeship websites
(Amazing Apprentices, Springpod, Uptree, Success at Schools etc) and
if they haven't already, register with the government website, [click here](#)***

Apprenticeships Listing – Nationwide.

For a list of nationwide apprenticeships, sign up via faa.vacancies@education.gov.uk

A Day In The Life Of

Meet current apprentices and hear about a day in the life of an IBM apprentice and an accountant apprentice.

[Click here](#)

Army Apprenticeships – Webinar Wednesday 16th October 6pm-7pm

In July, The British Army were crowned #1 in the Top 100 apprenticeship employers for the 4th year running.

Parents/carers are invited to join this webinar with Army colleagues and parents of current apprentices to learn more about their offer and what makes them a great employer. Wednesday 16th October 6pm-7pm. Please register to join and receive the recording by clicking [here](#)

Success At Schools

Lots of application information on their website now available. [Click here](#) Register then see the apprenticeship tab.

Latest Higher & Degree Listings

From *Amazing Apprenticeships* - register and download. **The Higher & Degree** listing is a bi-annual publication, with the next release planned for October 2024 - [up to date list here](#)

Apprenticeship Success

Rate My Apprenticeship is one of the leading homes of apprenticeships for 14-18 year olds.

Access real-life stories from apprentices to finding out what it's really like to do an apprenticeship:

[Success Stories](#) | [RateMyApprenticeship Hub](#) Also from *Rate My Apprenticeship* is the **Parent/Carers Hub** full of comprehensive apprenticeship resources for students; from expert career advice and detailed industry guides by sector to apprentice success stories and free events.

Just in from *RmA*, is news of a session *What, Exactly, Is An Apprenticeship?* taking place on Thursday 28th November 5pm-7pm. [Register here](#)

Things I Wish I'd Known Before Starting My Apprenticeship

If applying for apprenticeships, you will probably find this post from *NotGoingToUni* very useful. [Click here](#)
[Register/home here](#)

All You Need To Know About Apprenticeships

Amazing Apprenticeship have a terrific website packed full of facts, information and guidance. Here's the link to explore everything you might need to know, [click here](#). Meet *Amazing Apprentices* – and apprenticeship levels explained in *Rapid Resources*, [click here](#)

College/University Information

Did You Know There Is A University That's Perfect For Fashionistas!

At the *Fashion Retail Academy*, there's a wide range of fashion-focused courses, including Fashion Buying, Data Analytics, Fashion Business, and Digital Marketing. They work with over 250 brands to ensure that graduates have the skills needed by the industry plus their brand partners also provide work placements, projects, talks, and workshops. Sign up for course info, news, open events etc. [Click here](#)

Creative Degrees

If you're interested in an Animation, Games, VFX, Concept Art or Motion Graphics degree, have you heard of *Escape Studios*? There's a taster day on Saturday 5th October 10am-1pm at the Studios in London. [Click here](#) to find out more about *Escape* and to book.

Fast Forward Vocational Training

Harlow TeamSport offer a Level 1 and Level 2 in Motor Vehicle Studies for 16-18 year olds.

For more information and open events contact **Harlow TeamSport**, 26 River Way, Harlow CM20 2SN.

Tel 01482-460464. Email sales@racewaytraining.co.uk

Ethos Sport & Education

Ethos we are a sports pathways company that has worked with schools in the UK and Globally for almost 15 years. With extensive experience of guiding athletes, they offer **University, Pro, and Career** pathways, designed to support a student's academic and athletic journey. Pathways are:

- **University Pathway:** For aspiring student-athletes, providing expert assistance in navigating the US college sports system. From identifying the right schools and programs to securing athletic scholarships and ensuring academic success.

- **Pro Pathway:** For those aiming for a professional sports career; personalized guidance and support connecting students with top coaches and training facilities, facilitating try-outs and team placements.

- **Career Pathway:** For athletes seeking to transition into the sports industry; mentorship and networking opportunities. Whether in coaching, sports management, or another field, there's help to chart a fulfilling career path.

Ethos are hosting an information webinar on 7th October at 8pm. Register to [find out more here](#)

International University – Open Event At Bishop’s Stortford College

Bishop’s Stortford College are co-hosting another **International University Roadshow** with *The University Guys* at BSC, on **Friday 4th October** between **3:30pm and 4:30pm**. Students of The Bishop’s Stortford High School plus any parents/carers are invited to attend. If interested in attending. Please email Claire Jonas if interested in attending so that I can track numbers. Over twenty universities will be represented, as well as [The University Guys](#) themselves being available to discuss international opportunities and applications more generally:

Local College Open Events

Capel Manor College – Open Event

If you are interested in some rather different types of college courses, then Capel Manor might be for you. Courses offered include arboriculture & forestry, garden landscape design, agriculture, dog grooming, animal management and saddlery & shoemaking. **Date: Saturday 5th October 2024**. Time: 10am to 3pm. Where: All Campuses
Tour the facilities, meet with tutors and students, view the animal collections. Apply and secure a place to study for September 2025. [Click here](#)

Chelmsford College

The open event takes place on **9th October** 6pm-8.30pm. [Book here](#)

Stansted Airport College

Saturday **12th October** 10am-2pm. [Book here](#)

Harlow College

Open event takes places on **17th October** 5pm-8pm. [Register here](#)

Cambridge Regional College

The next Open Evenings are **17th October** 5.30pm-7pm for Huntingdon Campus and the **23rd October** 4pm-7pm for the Cambridge Campus both of these are open for booking places. More details and how to book by [clicking here](#)

Long Road College

The next round of open events will be held in summer 2025 – and aimed at Year 10 students.

T-Levels

Harlow, Cambridge Regional and Hertford Regional Colleges all offer various Post-16, 2 year T-Level Courses; study with industry placements of at least 315 hours/45 days. For more information on T-Levels, [please click here](#)

Tool Showing Grades For Uni Courses

Students hoping to start undergraduate courses in 2025 will be able to see the grades that recent successful applicants have achieved at A-Level/BETEC. Click link for BBC News article. [Click here](#)

The Uni Guide Podcast

Episode 28 explores Law at university, featuring insights from Rosie, a current student at Durham University, and Paige, a Trainee Solicitor and star of BBC's How to Crack the Class Ceiling. Listen to this and all episodes on wide range of university related subjects [HERE](#)

UniTasterDays - University Event Directory

UniTasterDays are hosting online university events for students and here’s a handy one-stop directory where you can search online. There are listings for taster days, masterclasses, workshops and open days in every imaginable subject – some 127 pages – with filters! Additional sessions such as, *Understanding The UCAS Process*, *UCAS And Personal Statements* and *Student Life*. It’s available [here](#). **Special Note:** Workshops can prove useful background research for subjects, EPQs etc. Here’s a link to the home page of this terrific directory:

<https://www.unitasterdays.com/> The latest bogs features an [introduction to university widening participation and fair access](#).

The Uni Guide - Subject Guide Webinars

Impartial video guides on studying various subjects at university. The latest release is a guide to studying illustration. Watch this and hundreds more [HERE](#). Also, inspired by the latest series of the Traitors, where two contestants were Vet Nurses. Hear from Lyn at the Royal Veterinary College and discover what to expect as a Vet Nursing student.

University Subject Tasters

Sheffield University also host subject tasters – great for experiencing a university lecture or seminar and get a feel for what studying at university is like. Interactive online sessions are available from **3rd October**. [Click here](#)

UniTasterDays Parents' Guide to University FREE To Download

The Parents' Guide to University has been produced by *UniTasterDays.com* in collaboration with *HELOA* - to help parents or guardians support their young person with their higher education decisions. Editorial has been provided by over 40 colleagues at universities and schools and colleges throughout the UK on topics including student finance, university applications, university events, student wellbeing and more. [Click here](#)

Is It Worth Going To University?

The Guardian ask the experts. With a cost of living crisis, lecturers' strikes and high fees, is university still worth it? [Click here](#)

Free Download Guide For Parents

From *Success at Schools*, this free digital guide will help parents and carers support their children to make informed decisions about their next steps after school and is designed to provide them with all the information they need to make a successful application to uni. Articles include: Is university right for my child? How to choose a university, applying through UCAS, writing a personal statement, student finance, Summer Schools (Sutton Trust), accommodation - and lots more. Current edition is 2023-24 but watch out for new release. [Click here](#)

Choosing The Right Degree

Lancaster University have gathered together their top resources to help students struggling with that decision, along with some guidance on how to pick a degree course. [SACU](#) - great for Year 12s struggling to decide on the right degree or apprenticeship for them. Take a short picture-based quiz and SACU will come up with a cloud of subject areas that would suit a student. [Prospects](#) - another great website for browsing through degree subjects and the careers they can lead to. *Prospects* is also useful for working backwards - starting with a desired career in mind and seeing which degrees or other pathways would be best for achieving a role within that industry. [Hear from Student Ambassadors](#) – a blog on how to choose between universities.

Everything You Need To Know About Russell Group Universities

Whether asking what is a *Russell Group* university - or weighing up whether they are worth it - here are some answers. [Read More](#)

Graduate Case Studies – Sheffield University

The University's [Graduate Case Studies database](#) is an excellent resource for anyone undecided about their future career path. Often they know which subject they would like to study but not where it can lead to afterwards. The database gives examples of previous graduates from the university, and students can filter by different sectors.

UCAS Subject Guides

[Click here](#) for information on subject study at university. Read the threads too on *The Student Room*.

A-Z List of University Courses

From *British Uni*, here's a list of university courses, [click here](#)

UCAS for Parents

The UCAS website provides a wealth of information geared towards parents including a guide that you can download and information on financial support and budgeting, [click here](#)

Choosing The Right University/Course

Click the link for tips/advice [here](#)

Years 11-12 – Have you Considered All The Options?

University is a great choice for many students but if you're not sure, there are other options. [Click here](#) for an overview from *Success At Schools*. For the pros and cons of university, [click here](#). Which university and what degree to choose? There's some help [here](#) and [here](#). Finally, here's some general information on open days and how to make the most of them, click [here](#)

Work Experience

It's vital students sign up to Uptree & Speakers for Schools who have lots of face to face and virtual opportunities – check with your Head of Year before attending any sessions that fall on a school day

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Uptree

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Years 10-13 Speakers For Schools

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Opportunity For Those Seeking Careers In Film/TV Production

Herts For Learning are offering Year 13 students the opportunity to attend a **Careers Day** featuring **The Franchise**, with *Warner Bros/CrewHQ* partners on **Friday 11th October**. The event will take place at the Warner Bros. Studios in Leavesden and will include a showing of the pilot episode of Sam Mendes and Armando Lannucci's new comedy before its premiere on Saturday 12 October at the London Film Festival. As with our previous Career Insight days with *Warner Bros*, the *CrewHQ Careers Days* aim to offer inspiration and insight into below the line careers in film and TV production with crew who made the show that is being featured.

To apply for your student(s), please complete the information within the **application form** by **Thursday 3rd October (midday)**. We will confirm if your application has been successful by Friday 4th October. Please note this opportunity is for students only, and they will be expected to travel to the event unsupervised.

We welcome applications from all Year 13 students, min age 18 years. Please ensure that all the information on the form is included, here is the [link](#). Expenses incurred for all travel and accommodation (if required) will be covered by Warner Bros. **More detailed version of this opportunity was emailed directly to Year 13 students.**

8th Student Career Compass Event – 16th October

This event is both an in-person and online event, supporting students to make informed career choices. The organisers have an optional early session on interviewing skills, and at the end of the event two of the companies participating will undertake a live mock interview each on stage – so students get to see first-hand what to expect. Throughout the evening, students are invited to participate in sessions run by some of the UK's largest and well-known organisations. Spanning a range of sectors, participating this year are the *BBC*, *CBRE*, *Deloitte*, *FDM Group*, *Kier Group*, *NatWest Group* (including *NatWest Markets*, the Investment bank), *Rathbones Group* and *Trowers & Hamlins LLP*. They will share the following insights:

A day in the life of a particular role and industry

What career trajectories look like

The journey of recent graduates and apprentices

What direct entry routes are available

What they look for in a candidate and how to make a strong application

Those attending in person will benefit additionally from the market stalls that each organisation will be hosting and be able to have more personal one-to-one conversations with both their recruiting teams and their current graduates and apprentices. Students will also have the option to bring their CV in and have it assessed and critiqued by industry experts in the CV Clinic.

The Student Career Compass website: thestudentcareercompass.co.uk details the timings of all the sessions and holds the registration link on the Upcoming Events tab. For those selecting to participate online, their confirmation email will contain the zoom webinar link for the event.

Stansted Airport Jobs Fair

Are you interested in working at the airport? There's a huge range of opportunities on offer at Essex's largest employer, including apprenticeships. They are hosting a **Jobs Fair** at The Radisson Blu Hotel, London Stansted Airport Stansted CM24 1PP, on 23rd October 10am-2pm and you should book tickets to attend. [Click here](#)

Careers Videos From Speakers for Schools Library

Lights, camera, equality: celebrating PRIDE and screen careers with Into Film & BAFTA

Daring to explore the world with renowned explorer, writer and photographer, Levison Wood

Tackling violence against women with Rachel Nolan, Assistant Chief Constable for Essex Police

Career Webinars From Speakers For Schools

Inspiring the Future Maritime – 9th October, 9:30 - 10:30am

In celebration of *Maritime UK Week*, hear from different maritime professionals about the varied and exciting careers in this sector. [Register Here](#)

From Cockpit to Control Tower - Diverse Roles in Aviation 15th October, 9:30 - 10:30am

Take flight with a career in aviation. Explore roles in flight operations, engineering, and beyond as well as the pathways to these careers. [Register Here](#)

Get Ready for Green Careers – 5th November 11am - 12pm

In partnership with *WorldSkills UK* and in celebration of **Green Careers Week**, this showcases inspiring career

journeys through the technical and apprenticeship route, the importance of green skills, and why choosing a green career is not only vital for the future but an exciting and prestigious path to success. [Register Here](#)

Exploring Green Careers in Engineering and Technology 7th November, 11 - 12pm

In partnership with *WorldSkills UK* and in celebration of **Green Careers Week**, students will explore a wide range of green engineering and technology careers. The webinar will highlight the importance of green skills and showcase the technical and apprenticeship pathways available—prestigious routes that offer hands-on experience and the chance to make a real impact in protecting our planet. [Register Here](#)

PLUS

How To Win On LinkedIn With Hannah Steiner

Join **Hannah**, a social and content marketing expert, for an inspiring session on how students can use LinkedIn to kickstart their career. Monday 30th September, 10:00am-10:45am. Age 11-19. Can watch on demand. [Click here](#)

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Updated News From LCN (LawCareers.Net)

Below is just a selection of advice and information from LCN. Sign up to receive info <https://www.lawcareers.net/>

Solicitors' practice areas HOUSING/LANDLORD & TENANT – TROWERS & HAMLINS LLP Yetunde Dania

"My work is purely for large and small housing associations, and private landlords. It relates to the tenant and landlord relationship..." **READ NOW**

Meet the Barrister TEN OLD SQUARE Naomi Winston

"During pupillage, I saw work on offer at Ten Old Square from trusts, tax and probate disputes to arguments among partners in limited liability partnerships, as well as fights between landlords and tenants." **READ NOW**

LCN Blogs WHAT I LEARNED FROM MY LAW CONVERSION COURSE The Rookie Lawyer

"A law conversion course is certainly not for the faint of heart, but I can't say it wasn't worth it. If you're considering doing the Postgraduate Diploma in Law, read on for an idea of what to look out for." **READ NOW**

Solicitor Apprenticeship

White & Case announces starting salary for its new solicitor apprenticeship.

Year 12-13 Interested In Law

Open Days, Insight Days, Work Experience & Access Programmes

Take a look at this list of firms offering fantastic opportunities and select. Research firms direct for further information, [click here](#) and [click here](#)

Don't forget the Law Portal for excellent advice & information <https://www.thelawyerportal.com/>

Insight Programmes – Uptree

Amongst many resources are the fantastic **Insight Days** from Uptree

Forsters: Solicitor Apprenticeship Early Careers Application Q&A, Virtual

Application deadline date: Tuesday 29th October for Thursday 31st Oct. [Click here](#)

Solicitor Apprenticeship Work Experience Day with Trowers & Hamlins

For: Year 13 students Date: Various depending on location. [Click here](#)

National: Coca-Cola Europacific Partners, Apprenticeship Application Masterclass

For: students aged 17-21 Date: Wednesday 25th September. [Click here](#)

Army Newsletter

All students in Years 10-13 were emailed with the latest Army Newsletter which gives information on diverse recruitment, info on bursaries & scholarships including medicine, legal services, nursing & university study, plus information on the **Army Insights Day taking place on 16th November**.

Employment at Stansted Airport (Owned By Manchester Airport Group)

For vacancies at Stansted Airport, sign up to the Employment Academy; many fulltime and parttime opportunities available. Email Employment.Academy@stanstedairport.com

Year 13 - With Unifrog Log In

Here's an overview of some of the upcoming *Unifrog* events:

All Years - New Careers Quiz

Here is *The InvestIN Career Quiz!* By answering a series of expertly crafted questions, students unlock a personalised report that unveils an industry aligned with their skills and interests. [Click here](#)

BBC Bitesize

BBC Bitesize have some great advice from leading careers experts and over 350 job case studies from people who've found the right path for them. [Click here](#) for the home page. Check out *Where could your favourite subject take you?* *Explore careers by job sectors* and *Careers A-Z – Find your Perfect Job*.

Careers Website

Explore and find out about careers using this website – lots of useful tools. [Click here](#)

A Guide to Career to Options 2024

This guide is full to the brim with career and application advice for students. You can download the online version of the free guide [here](#).

Careers Unwrapped

Careers Unwrapped is a podcast series where accomplished industry leaders share their career stories, advice and reflections to inform and inspire young people.

All Years - Careers Fairs

From *UK Careers Fairs*, here's a list of Careers Fairs taking place in many major cities in England. [Click here](#) Also from *UK Careers Fairs* are these useful box links. [Click here](#)

Potential – Career Sense

The Find Your Potential resources from Nat West's Career Sense, support 13-18 year-olds to discover their strengths and skills for the future world of work. Students will receive personalised information on future careers they may want to pursue, based on their strengths and what they enjoy. The resources help students develop self-awareness and confidently start to think about career next steps. **Register now to download the resources.** [Click here](#)

Careers Websites

When free, do take a look over the *All About Careers* website as there's lots of information to digest regarding careers, [click here](#)

Find Out More About Individual Jobs

For snapshots into the world of work, visit the *icould* website to explore hundreds of videos about different jobs - search by filters such as job type and school subject. [Click here](#)

Begin! - Careers Guide

University of Nottingham has just launched a new careers guide called *Begin!* Whilst this is targeted at university students, it may also be relevant for sixth form students. Wherever students are with their career journey, this is the place where they can begin. [Click here](#)

Resources

Education In Chemistry

Happy & enthusiastic chemists might find these articles of interest!

Probing the seas of Saturn's largest moon

By Nina Notman

Could Titan's alkane seas support life?

Alkali sponge fights climate change

Rechargeable hydrolysis produces a sustainable method for carbon capture

Cutting the carbon footprint of fertiliser production

Have we found a sustainable way to make nitrate from air?

What's the world's strongest glue?

Find out about the world's stickiest glue and how adhesives bond things together.

[READ MORE SCIENCE ARTICLES](#)

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Years 12-13 Languages Event – Local

There's a special language event taking place at Hockerill Anglo European School in Bishop's Stortford on 1st October. This fast-paced fun event is based on journalism and will increase students' confidence in reading, writing, speaking and listening. Students from Years 12 or 13 studying French or German or Spanish welcome – and they will be teamed up with others studying the same language. The event is £29 plus VAT per student and if your son/daughter is interested, please ask them to make it known to their language teacher. Info/booking form is on [this link](#).

Cyber Explorers

Cyber Explorers is an initiative led by the UK Government and is a fun, free learning programme for 11–14-year-olds that introduces students to the opportunities and risks of digital technologies, showcasing the relevance of cyber security in everyday roles. It encourages students to apply existing skills, such as research and problem-solving, to potential cyber security professions, fostering interest in STEM subjects.

By completing Challenges and Missions, students can achieve **Cyber Explorers - Cyber Squad Member** and **Cyber Explorers - Cyber Champion certificates**. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to enter the world of cyber security and provide them with valuable, certified skills for their cyber-centric futures. It's a must for anyone interested in learning more about coding, programming etc and excellent content for a Personal Statement.

[Click here](#)

What University? What Career?

Live on-demand video series is now open to view. With so many options available, knowing where to start can be overwhelming. Using this brand-new video series, students can navigate the post-school options, find out how to get started with applications and avoid some common mistakes. These are **free, on-demand, short videos**. [Click here](#)

General/Competitions

Imperial College, London Competition

The Faculty of Natural Sciences Science and Innovation Competition returns for the new academic year.

Open to teams of young people, Imperial welcome entries from schools, community and youth groups. There is no limit to the number of teams that can enter and **registration is now open**. There are four entry groups including: 11 – 14 years old (KS3), 14 – 16 (GCSE) and 16 – 18 (A-level) plus an Open Category for teams of mixed age groups. The competition aims to motivate young people to engage with science, to encourage them to work together as part of a team and to engage them in a fun activity that is motivated by their curiosity and drive.

Teams are asked to develop a new and innovative scientific solution to help achieve one of the United Nation's Global Goals for Sustainable Development.

To enter, teams will be asked to create a 5-minute film that: Briefly outlines the goal they have selected, Describes their innovative solution, Explains the science behind their idea, Illustrates how their idea would address the goal. Initial entries will be judged by our team at Imperial College London and finalists will be selected and invited to participate in the finals at Imperial College in April 2025.

Find out more and see details of last years final and competition winners. Registration for entry will close on Friday 13th December. Questions to Dr Simon Foster ssfoster@imperial.ac.uk or fonsschoolscompetition@imperial.ac.uk

Royal Society of Biology – Biology Week/BioCraft Competition

The *BioCraft Competition* will open to entries during **Biology Week 2024, from 7-11 October**, and is open to all. Create a biology-inspired 3D artwork from recycled, or other, materials and in a photo to enter.

Details of how to take part will be posted asap.

Choosing the BioCraft winners - A judging panel of RSB staff will decide on a winner and runner up for both the individual category and group entry category. The BioCraft Competition winners in each category will receive a prize for their creation. Entries will be judged on:

the variety of materials used, the variety of creative skills used, the aesthetic quality of the piece, the originality of the piece, how well the piece captures the biological basis of the subject matter
Inspiration

From the very big to the very small: BioCraft entries can take inspiration from the smallest parts of the natural world that only a microscope can see: think cell structures, bacterial colonies and microscopic organisms.

Entries could instead feature environments or ecosystems. Art could be based around great savannahs, wide-open plains, the deep oceans or immense rainforests and the huge range of diversity contained within them.

Hands-on science: Lab or field equipment could be the focus of your artwork, with fascinating tools and apparatus being used by scientists to provide ways to make wonderful discoveries.

Scientific concepts: Your art could help explain a biological concept, theory or area of biology that particularly interests you. Art can be a great way to visualise something that may seem complex or difficult to understand.

Please email queries to engagement@rsb.org.uk. [Info here](#)

Year 13 – National Poetry Competition

Run by *The Poetry Society* since 1978, The National Poetry Competition is one of the world's most prestigious prizes for an unpublished poem of up to 40 lines, open to all poets worldwide aged 18 or over. Prizes: First prize £5,000, second prize £2,000, third prize £1,000, commended prizes £500. Closing date: 31 October 2024. [Click here](#)

*If you are willing & able, do think about hosting a lunchtime careers workshop;
they are fun and informal, plus a great way of providing insights into careers.
Volunteers from the parent body are extremely welcome to host, as are alumni.*

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