

Westminster Education Forum Keynote Seminar: The future for cultural education in England

Timing: Morning, Wednesday, 16th October 2013

Venue: Banqueting Hall, Glaziers Hall, 9 Montague Close, London SE1 9DD



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chairman's opening remarks**
Baroness Bonham-Carter of Yarnbury, Member, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Art, Craft and Design in Education
- 9.05 - 9.30 **Children and young people's cultural education**
Dawn Taylor, Deputy Director, Curriculum Policy Division, Department for Education
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 - 10.30 **The components of cultural education**
Perspectives on the elements of a rounded cultural education. How realistic and appropriate are the cultural experiences the Henley Review recommended all young people should have at certain ages; what other experiences, if any, should young people be entitled to in addition to this guidance? How can schools be encouraged to focus on cultural activities such as film and dance that do not feature prominently in the National Curriculum Programmes of Study? What balance should be struck between active participation in culture, such as performing or composing a piece of music, and passive enjoyment, such as watching a play? What weight should be given to contemporary and classical examples in cultural education; what consideration should cultural education providers give to local, national and international cultures? How far should schools encourage cultural experiences that are enjoyed in groups and those that are experienced individually?
Jude Kelly, Artistic Director, Southbank Centre
Lizzie Crump, Manager, Cultural Learning Alliance
Jeremy Newton, Chief Executive, The Prince's Foundation for Children & the Arts
Purni Morell, Artistic Director, Unicorn Theatre
Susan Hodgetts, Vice Principal, Ounsdale High School, Wolverhampton
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.30 - 10.35 **Chairman's closing remarks**
Baroness Bonham-Carter of Yarnbury, Member, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Art, Craft and Design in Education
- 10.35 - 11.00 Coffee
- 11.00 - 11.05 **Chairman's opening remarks**
Fiona Mactaggart MP, Member, All-Party Parliamentary Opera Group
- 11.05 - 11.30 **The role of partnerships in cultural education**
Althea Efunshile, Deputy Chief Executive, Arts Council England
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.30 - 12.30 **Delivering a cultural education for all young people: challenges and opportunities**
What is needed for schools and cultural organisations to be able to deliver an extensive cultural education to all young people, including those in schools with limited expertise in the arts among teaching staff? What are the challenges for providing a cultural education in rural areas without easily-accessible cultural venues, and how can these be addressed? What are the resource issues for schools of providing a thorough cultural education for pupils, particularly when this requires out-of-school visits? How well do the new Programmes of Study for Art & Design and Music support the delivery of cultural education, and how can cultural education be incorporated across the curriculum? What impact has the National Music Education Plan had so far; is there a case for similar plans for other elements of culture? What further steps can schools and specialist organisations take to cater for those pupils with a particular interest or ability in one aspect of culture? How can greater engagement between schools and external organisations be promoted, and how can organisations involved in delivering cultural education work together to ensure coherence and standardisation of the cultural education received by young people? How can the 'cultural education passport' be introduced to be most useful for young people and cultural organisations?
Sandra Stancliffe, Head of Education, English Heritage
Dr Simon Fox, Principal, Flegg High School, Martham, Norfolk
Linda Jasper, Director, Youth Dance England
Sarah Alexander, Chief Executive and Artistic Director, National Youth Orchestra
Alice Hudson, Executive Head Teacher, Twyford Church of England Academies Trust
Alice Young, Head of Arts Award and Artsmark, Trinity College London
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 - 12.55 **The importance of cultural education**
Paul Roseby, Chief Executive Officer and Artistic Director, National Youth Theatre
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chairman's and Westminster Education Forum closing remarks**
Fiona Mactaggart MP, Member, All-Party Parliamentary Opera Group
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Westminster Education Forum