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College	Highlands College
Pathway	Summer Project
Level	YEAR 2 / Unit 4
Year	2024/25

SUMMER PROJECT

A project for well-being

Start: Summer Break

Deadline: 11th September 2024

Project overview and context

UNIT 4: Understand a specialist industry practice within the creative industries

To the start the new year, you will explore various aspects of a chosen **specialist industry practice**. This will inform your development as a creative practitioner and influence your future career goals. You will be required to develop an understanding of your chosen specialism within the wider creative community/context and apply reflective practice to influence your choices and decisions.

This summer project will form part of the evidence required for unit 4 and the starting point of your first project of the L3 Extended Diploma.



Project description and requirements:

'Well-being' is an aspect of contemporary society which over the last few years grown in acknowledgement and understanding. Mental health is no longer a 'taboo' subject and very visible within social and mainstream media, celebrity culture and our direct community. Wellbeing is playing a crucial role in supporting people with specific or poor mental health. From mindful colouring, mediation, walks in nature etc, 'wellbeing' strategies are being used by many to cope with the struggles in their lives.

In this first project you are challenged to produce work that not only reflects your chosen specialism, but also an aspect of well-being.

I would encourage you to firstly explore 'wellbeing' to identify and aspect of this practice you feel a personal connection with. It is important you have a connection to the practice to speak from an 'authentic' place. You should explore varied perspectives of 'wellbeing', the positive and negative.

You will also need to have a strong understanding of your specialism. Research into practitioners, conventions, theoretical and practical influences will be a necessary component of this project.

Evidence Required for 11th September 2024:

Over the summer you are required to investigate a specialist industry practice i.e.:
Textiles/Photography/Graphics/Fine art and the theme of 'wellbeing'.

This will be used to initiate your first project on your return.

- **Start by finding a detailed DICTIONARY definition of your *specialism*.**
Create an illustrated front page around the definition, visually communicating the text.
- **Produce a mind map of your chosen *specialism*.**
Including: jobs roles, qualifications and practical skills are linked to your specialism.
- **Next, find a DICTIONARY definition for the term 'Wellbeing'**
- **Produce a mind map of your chosen *Wellbeing activity/philosophy/practice*.**
Include key aspects & features. This might also include the type of people who engage with your chose type of wellbeing.
- **Produce 3 x artists studies, these should be explicitly linked to your chosen specialism and CONTEMPORARY.**
Document why you have chosen them, how they link to your specialism and any other key facts you discover about them and their work.

Please provide all new work within a new sketchbook.

Again, congratulations to you all for all your hard work this year and I very much look forward to seeing you in September for the final year of the course.
Have a wonderful Summer!