

GETTING AHEAD



Start to develop skills that are relevant to your course before you join HSDC this September!

Music Performance & Production – UAL Level 2 Diploma

At different points since the 1950s different genres of music have been classified as 'popular' or 'popular music'. For example, the music of Led Zeppelin and Jimi Hendrix has been classified as 'popular' at certain points in pop music history despite the fact that they are now commonly known as 'rock' artists.

Every artist that you listen to has been inspired by others that came before. Take for example, Kurt Cobain from Nirvana;

- Iggy and the Stooges
- Pixies
- The Beatles
- Black Flag

Listen

Listen to two of the four bands listed above. Don't worry if you've never heard of them before! This is an opportunity to discover some new music. When you have chosen two bands and listened to them, think about Nirvana again.

Record and write

Record or write down some ideas you have about what Nirvana and the two bands you have chosen have in common. For example, maybe both bands play 'power chords' on the guitar? Maybe they have a similar vocal style? What do you think Kurt Cobain would have liked about these artists?

Bring your thoughts and answers with you on your first day to discuss with your new class. We look forward to seeing you here!

We look forward to seeing you in September!

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