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HRUC students showcase talent and creativity at end-of-year celebrations



Students from across HRUC (Harrow, Richmond and Uxbridge Colleges) marked the end of the academic year with celebrations, exhibitions, and creative showcases.

Richmond upon Thames College students demonstrated their creative skills at a showcase at the historic Orleans House Gallery in Twickenham on Friday 12 June. The event included a display of artworks by Level 3 students, live music and dance performances, an interactive exhibition, and work from media students.

It also featured a new student adaptation of *The Importance of Being Earnest*, performed in the gallery's Grade II listed Octagon Room.

Acting student O'shai Linton said: "I was thrilled to see all the students showcasing their amazing work. It was great to see what everyone has been working on this year."

Jo Terrell, Head of School for Creative Arts at Richmond upon Thames College, said: "None of this would be possible without the commitment, creativity, and resilience of our students. They should all be immensely proud of what they have achieved, well done!"

Later in the month, media students from Uxbridge College had the opportunity to see their work on the big screen at this year's Final Major Project film screening on Tuesday 23 June. Held in partnership with London South Bank University, where the screening took place, students presented a diverse and impressive body of work that demonstrated creativity, technical precision, and confident storytelling.

Awards were presented to the top three films in Level 2, Level 3 Year 1, and Level 3 Year 2, as voted for on the night.

The following day, thought-provoking and inspiring work created by Harrow College's art, design and media students was displayed at an Art & Design Exhibition in the college's Hadid Building. The work reflected a broad spectrum of specialisms, ranging from fine art and sculpture to fashion, photography, and interior and 3D design.

Students worked incredibly hard to get their work ready for the exhibition and, for some, it marked the first time their work was shown to an audience. They took great pride in sharing their creative journeys and successes with their families and friends.

An art exhibition also took place at Uxbridge College on Wednesday 24 June. The displays included 2D and 3D art, installations, sculptures, architectural maquettes, graphics, posters and films.

Level 3 Art Lecturer Ines Rebelo said: "The exhibition celebrated the creativity and ingenuity of students in all shapes and colours. It is brilliant to experience the panoramic view full of complex interests that our students have articulated, with much emotional depth."

This was followed by a fashion show at Uxbridge College on the evening of Thursday 25 June, where students proudly presented their original designs on the runway. Bringing their designs to life allowed them to showcase the skills they have developed throughout their studies.

Kiran Khan, Fashion Course Leader, said: "The students worked incredibly hard alongside their tutors, technicians, and media staff to present their highly imaginative garments to a professional standard."

These events marked the culmination of students' hard work over the past academic year and offered the opportunity to celebrate all they have achieved.

Rose Etim-Ibom, Head of School for Health & Social Care and Creative Studies at Uxbridge College, said: "Our end-of-year celebrations were a fantastic showcase of our students' creativity, talent, and dedication. Seeing learners proudly present their work

and celebrate their achievements was truly inspiring and a fitting reflection of the hard work and passion they have shown throughout the year.”

Note to editors: Following a merger in 2023, HRUC (Harrow, Richmond and Uxbridge Colleges) has rapidly evolved into a thriving educational hub with three colleges and a strong apprenticeship provision.

The diverse and aspiring college group now serves nearly 15,000 learners across west and south London, offering a range of courses, including A-Levels vocational programmes, T-Levels, and apprenticeships. The College group also proudly supports over 850 learners with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND), providing tailored programmes and internships to help them thrive.