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SUMMMER COURSES

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SYLLABUS

Costume design
for cinema

1st session: June 25th – July 5th 2024

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Course Structure: 45 hours – 9 lesson days

ECTS: 3 ECTS credits*

Intermediate level

*ECTS credits only awarded to university students or participants who are completing or have completed a university or academic study path

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is dedicated to students who want to get an overview of the process of costume design for the performance industry, along with an understanding of the important role that costuming plays in character creation.

During the first week, by analysing and discussing a text, students will investigate the world of costumes by analysing and discussing images, videos, and readings to discover how historical factors, character personalities, proportion, color, materials, and tailoring techniques play into the process. They will make several visits to tailors' shops, theatres, and costume archives.

During the second week, students will work with into groups to design a portfolio of costumes for a live performance or a film. Depending on available time and participants' skills, it might also be possible to create a costume prototype.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Students will work in group. Starting from a moodboard, each group should make a costume project for different forms of staging.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

This course is intended for students with some background in that specific subject area and for students attending or having completed one or two years of their university studies in Art and Design who are keen on building upon this through hands-on training experience.

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OUTPUT

Mandatory: final portfolio (one for each group) + sketchbook (one for each student)
+ the final prototype.

LIST OF MATERIALS AND TOOLS

- Laptop (if possible with illustrator and Photoshop installed);
- USB Key;
- Digital Camera;
- Sketchbook (a book of plain white pages – minimum size A4);
- Pencils (HB – B);
- Colouring tools you are familiar with.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Class attendance is required for successful completion of the course. Attendance will be taken every class period. On the last day of classes, instructors will issue a Certificate of successful attendance only to all students who completed at least 80% of the course.

COURSE POLICY

The Faculty of NABA takes Academic integrity seriously. Instances of academic dishonesty such as plagiarism won't be tolerated. Mobile phones will be kept switched off all the time during class. Use of laptop during classes for personal purposes is forbidden.

TEACHING METHODS

Students are encouraged to work hard and helped to develop their ideas to the full, instilling a sense of purpose.

Throughout the lessons students will be kept focused toward their goal, which is the final presentation, and excited by what they are doing.

Learning by doing: a mix of theoretical lessons, field trips and practical workshops.

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Grading

Total number of ECTS assigned for the successful completion of the course: 3 ECTS

GRADING SYSTEM

GRADING WEIGHTS		GRADING SCALE			
1. Attendance	30%	Excellent = 90-100			
2. Participation and creative process	40%	Good = 80-89			
3. Final work / final presentation	30%	Average = 70-79			
TOTAL	100%	Below Average = 60-69			
		Poor = 59 or below			
	EXCELLENT 90 -100%	GOOD 80 – 89%	AVERAGE 70 – 79%	BELOW AVERAGE 60 – 69%	POOR BELOW 60%
Attendance (30%)	On time, perfect attendance	Seldom late: attended between 95% and 90 % of the course	Occasionally late: attended between 90 % and 85 % of the course	Occasionally late: attended between 85% and 80% of the course	Frequently late, attended less than 80% of the course: FAILED
Participation and Creative Process (40 %)	Demonstrates strong understanding of the topic & thorough, creative research	Shows good grasp of the topic & good research	Exhibits average comprehension of the topic & average research	Shows some awareness of the topic & below average awareness of research	Has shallow insight into the topic & poor grasp of research
Original Project (Final work/ Final presentation) (30%)	Exhibits exceptional analysis of concepts & production of original proposal	Exhibits exceptional analysis of concepts & production of original proposal	Exhibits average analysis of concepts & production of original proposal	Exhibits below average analysis of concepts & production of original proposal	Exhibits poor analysis of concepts & production of original proposal

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1st week

COURSE SCHEDULE*

DAY		LESSON-SUBJECT
Day 1 - Tuesday	NABA Staff	Welcome and Registration What is Costume Design. Role, skills and responsibilities of a costume designer
Day 2 - Wednesday		Investigation on the differences between making costumes for cinema, theatre, ballet, opera, commercial.
Day 3 - Thursday		How to read analyze a script and character breakdown. Visit to a costume production and rental house.
Day 4 - Friday		Historical research and documentation method; Historical research and documentation on the character historical and social contest.

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2st week

COURSE SCHEDULE*

DAY	LESSON-SUBJECT
Day 5 - Monday	Character creative interpretation and costume idea development. Sketches 2D.
Day 6 - Tuesday	Character creative interpretation and costume idea development. Sketches 2D.
Day 7 - Wednesday	<i>Field trip*</i> . Visit to Rocchetti & Rocchetti House of professional wig making and special effect. Choosing fabrics for the project. Visit to textile shops for fabric sampling.
Day 8 - Thursday	Developing the making of the costume in details (hair and make-up, accessorize).
Day 9 - Friday	Editing and closing remarks - CLASSROOM - Creation of a portfolio for the presentation of the costume design idea.

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