**EPQ in Photography Application Form**

**Deadline: September 23**

**Please complete and return this form to** [**epq@tpg.org.uk**](mailto:epq@tpg.org.uk)

An Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) is a stand-alone qualification enabling pupils studying in Years 12 and 13 to independently investigate a specific subject of their choice in depth. The outcome of this work can be a 5,000-word report or dissertation, or an artwork/artefact with a shorter piece of writing. An EPQ is a highly-valued qualification for employment and/or progression to higher education, worth half the UCAS points of an A-Level.

The Photographers' Gallery’s EPQ in Photography will support up to 20 pupils to attain an EPQ, free of charge. The programme offers a structured grounding in photography history, theory and techniques, as well as research techniques, through taught lessons; guest speakers; exhibition; and one-to-one mentoring. Pupils are supported to select their topic of personal interest and to independently develop practical or essay-based work for presentation and assessment in April 2023.

**Taught dates are:**

28 September - Online introduction session

12-13 October - First weekend session at TPG

30 October to 1 November 2024 - October half term talks, workshops and planning

6 December 2024 - weekend catch up session (tbc)

19 – 21 February 2025 - February half term talks, workshops and mentoring

15 & 16 March 2025 - weekend catch up session (tbc)

29 March - exhibition preparation day

30 March - exhibition day

**Please note that these dates are compulsory and must be attended in order to complete the qualification.**

Participants will be required to commit a further **70 hours** toward independent research, project development and final written/photographic project creation and presentation as part of this programme with their EPQ coordinators at school.

All pupils interested in taking part in the programme must complete an application by July 2024. Potential applicants will be invited for a short, ten-minute telephone interview in the week beginning July. Applicants will be notified by July if their application has been successful.

**Application Form**

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| **Pupil name** |  |
| **Date of birth** |  |
| **Home address** |  |
| **Email address** |  |
| **Telephone number** |  |
| What is your preferred method of contact:  email, text or phone call? |  |
| **School Name** |  |
| **EPQ coordinator (teacher) name** |  |
| **EPQ coordinator (teacher) email address** |  |

**Application Questions**

(You are welcome to provide an audio answer to the questions below, if preferred. Please record an MP3/sound file between 1:30 and 2 minutes in length. Send your sound file together with the other completed sections of this application form using the [free WeTransfer service](https://wetransfer.com/).

**Let us know, in up to 100 words, what interests you about photography?**

**Let us know, in up to 100 words, how you think undertaking an EPQ in Photography with The Photographers’ Gallery might benefit you.**

**What are your GCSE results or, if currently in Year 11, Post-16 Application (expected) grades?**

(The answer to this question has no bearing on the success of your application.)

**What A-Levels are you taking/continuing with in 2023/2024?**

(The answer to this question has no bearing on the success of your application.)

**Are there any barriers that you feel might impact on your engagement in the programme?**

(The answer to this question has no bearing on your application and we genuinely wish to ensure all participants on the programme are adequately supported to achieve their personal, educational best.)

**Please confirm the following:**

* I can and will attend all programme sessions, if offered a place on the EPQ in Photography programme \*
* I agree to commit a further 70 hours toward independent research, project development and written/photographic project creation and project presentation as part of the EPQ in Photography programme
* I confirm that everything written in this application are my own words and ideas
* I am currently in Year 11 or Year 12

\* We understand that from time-to-time personal commitments do crop up and we are open to discussing any pre-arranged absences on a case-by-case basis.

## Parent/carer to notify in case of emergency, unexpected absence or concerns related to pupil progress

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| **Name and relationship to pupil e.g. mother** |  |
| **Address (if different from pupil)** |  |
| **Home number** |  |
| **Work/mobile number** |  |
| **E-mail address** |  |

## Pupil: Parent/carer:

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| **Name (printed)** |  |  |
| **Signature (digital)** |  |
| **Date** |  |

## Widening Participation/Equal Opportunities Monitoring Form

It is the policy of The Photographers’ Gallery to provide equal opportunities without regard to race, colour, religion, national origin, gender, sexual preference, age or disability.

**EPQ in Photography Programme Monitoring Form**

The EPQ in Photography programme seeks to benefit young people who might not otherwise have this opportunity. The information recorded on this form will be anonymised and collected, stored and destroyed in line with the UK General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) guidelines.

**Widening Participation Information**

**Are you:**

* female
* male
* non-binary
* In another way
* prefer not to say

**Please describe your ethnic origin:**

**Do you consider yourself to have a disability?**

* Yes
* No

**Please state the nature of your disability:**

**Do you consider yourself to be neurodivergent?**

* Yes
* No

**Please state the nature of your neurodivergence:**

**Are you or have you ever been eligible for Free School Meals/Pupil Premium?**

* Yes
* No

**Have any of your parent(s)/carer(s) attended Further Education/Higher Education?**

* **Yes**
* No

Thank you for providing this information.