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Dear Daniel,

AQW 42197/22-27

You recently submitted an Assembly Written Question AQW 42197/22-27 requesting details of schemes supported through Northern Ireland Screen's creative education and careers pipeline, in each of the last three years, broken down by constituency.

As outlined in my response, due to the volume of detail required to provide a full answer, I have arranged for the information attached at Annex A to be placed in the Assembly Library.

Yours sincerely,

Gordon Lyons MLA
Minister for Communities

AQW 42197 22-27 - Annex A

My Department's investment in Northern Ireland Screen supports numerous creative education, digital skills and screen careers initiatives for teachers, youth leaders and young people across Northern Ireland at all stages of Primary and Post Primary education as well as community and youth settings.

Initiatives delivered in each constituency for the past three years are below.

NORTHERN IRELAND SCREEN CREATIVE EDUCATION AND CAREERS PROGRAMMING FUNDED BY DFC 2023-26

The Department for Communities' investment in creative education and careers programming allows Northern Ireland Screen to:

- Finance the three Creative Learning Centres (Nerve Belfast, the AmmA Centre in Armagh and the Nerve Centre in Derry~Londonderry) which support schools to innovate with digital technologies, creative learning techniques and new approaches to learning

- Work with Into Film, Cinemagic and Kippie to deliver programming which helps educators use film to deliver a broad and balanced curriculum, bring subjects alive, increase engagement with learning, develop key skills and broaden pupils' access to culture

- Deliver year-round industry work experience for young people aged 16–19 that builds skills and provides visibility and understanding of better job opportunities available in screen industries

Nerve Centre/Nerve Belfast

The Creative Learning Centres (CLCs) deliver skills development programmes for teachers and young people in digital literacy and in understanding and deploying creative technologies and new approaches to learning in the classroom as a support across the curriculum.

Nerve Centre are based in Belfast and Derry~Londonderry and deliver across NI. The programmes delivered are as follows:

- **Partnership Programme**

- 30 fully funded school partnerships, aiming to empower teachers and build capacity within schools to use technology creatively to support teaching and learning across the curriculum

- **Teacher Professional Learning (TPL) Programme**
  - Teacher training with designed to equip teachers with the latest digital tools and creative techniques for enhanced classroom engagement

Nerve Centre and Nerve Belfast	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
Constituency	**Programme(s)**	**Programme(s)**	**Programme(s)**
Belfast East	CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy	CLC Partnership Programme Youth Out of School Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy
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Belfast South and Mid Down	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy	CLC Partnership Programme Youth Out of School Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy
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North Antrim	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Moving Image Arts CPD	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme

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South Antrim	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy	CLC Partnership Programme Youth Out of School Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy
East Londonderry	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme

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Foyle	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy
Lagan Valley	CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy	CLC Partnership Programme Youth Out of School Programme NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy	CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy

Mid Ulster	CLC Partnership Programme Youth Out of School Programme NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy
Newry and Armagh	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy	CLC Partnership Programme Moving Image Arts CPD BFI Film Academy	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy
North Down	CLC TPL Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Moving Image Arts CPD	CLC TPL Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy

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Upper Bann	CLC Partnership Programme Youth Out of School Programme	CLC Partnership Programme Youth Out of School Programme	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme

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West Tyrone	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy	CLC Partnership Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy
Fermanagh and South Tyrone	CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy	CLC TPL Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Moving Image Arts CPD NI Screen Academies BFI Film Academy

- **Youth out of school**
  - The CLCs have a collective commitment to social inclusion and support creative skills, community learning events and summer workshops for the youth sector, hard-to-reach groups and individuals

- **Moving Image Arts CPD for Teachers**
  - Tailored CPD to enhance critical understanding, technical proficiency and creative expression

- **Screen Academies**
  - After School, industry led academies across Animation, Games and VFX (Visual Effects) for up to 130 16–19-year-olds

- **BFI Film Academy**
  - Short courses to help train and inspire the next generation of filmmakers and production crew, supporting up to 80 16–19-year-olds to develop new skills and gain commercial and cultural knowledge to help build a career in the screen industries

AMMA Centre

AMMA Centre is based in Armagh and delivers across NI. The programmes delivered are as follows:

- **Partnership Programme**
  - 15 fully funded school partnerships, aiming to empower teachers and build capacity within schools to use technology creatively to support teaching and learning across the curriculum

- **Teacher Professional Learning (TPL) Programme**
  - Teacher training designed to equip teachers with the latest digital tools and creative techniques for enhanced classroom engagement

- **Youth out of school**
  - The CLC's have a commitment to social inclusion and support creative skills, community learning events and summer workshops for the youth sector, hard-to-reach groups and individuals

- **AMMA Creative Schools Programme**

– AmmA provide a range of high-quality support structures for schools, shared education partnerships and learning communities. Activities are designed for sustainable practice, optimised for blended learning and enhanced through teacher training and shared planning

AMMA Centre	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
Constituency	Programme(s)	Programme(s)	Programme(s)
Belfast East	CLC TPL Programme		
Belfast South and Mid Down	CLC TPL Programme AMMA Creative Schools Programme	Youth Out of School Programme	CLC TPL Programme
South Antrim	AMMA Creative Schools Programme		
East Londonderry	CLC TPL Programme		
Lagan Valley	AMMA Creative Schools Programme		
Mid Ulster	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme AMMA Creative Schools Programme	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme AMMA Creative Schools Programme	CLC TPL Programme AMMA Creative Schools Programme
Newry and Armagh	CLC Partnership Programme	CLC Partnership Programme	CLC Partnership Programme

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| North Down | CLC TPL Programme

Moving Image Arts CPD

NI Screen Academies | CLC Partnership Programme

CLC TPL Programme

Moving Image Arts CPD

NI Screen Academies

BFI Film Academy | CLC TPL Programme

Moving Image Arts CPD

NI Screen Academies

BFI Film Academy |
| South Down | CLC Partnership Programme

CLC TPL Programme

AMMA Creative Schools Programme | CLC TPL Programme

AMMA Creative Schools Programme | CLC TPL Programme

AMMA Creative Schools Programme |
| Upper Bann | CLC TPL Programme | CLC TPL Programme | CLC Partnership Programme |

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West Tyrone	CLC TPL Programme	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme AMMA Creative Schools Programme	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme AMMA Creative Schools Programme
Fermanagh and South Tyrone	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme AMMA Creative Schools Programme	CLC Partnership Programme CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme AMMA Creative Schools Programme	CLC TPL Programme Youth Out of School Programme AMMA Creative Schools Programme

Into Film

Into Film NI offers a programme of opportunities, workshops, and incentives for schools across the region, including opportunities for young people with an interest in working in the creative industries. The team also develops resources for school and non-school settings to enhance the film education offer. The programmes delivered are as follows:

- **ScreenWorks**
  - A flagship work experience programme that introduces young people to film, television and the wider screen industries. It connects learning with real employers, creative professionals and genuine career pathways. The programme is designed to build aspiration, broaden awareness and grow confidence.

- **Games Programme**
  - Uses video games as a creative learning tool to explore storytelling, design and digital literacy. It helps young people understand how games are made, how they communicate meaning, and how skills developed through play can link to future creative and digital careers.

- **Story Builder**
  - A practical resource framework that supports children and young people to create and explore stories for the screen. Through simple, accessible activities, it helps develop creativity, communication and visual literacy. It also gives teachers an easy-to-use approach for building story-based learning into their classroom practice.

- **Core Programme**
  - Brings together Into Film's wider offer, including teacher support, training, resources, screenings and film clubs. It provides a foundation for broad engagement with film and screen education, helping schools access flexible, curriculum-linked opportunities across Northern Ireland.

Into Film	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
Constituency	**Programme(s)**	**Programme(s)**	**Programme(s)**
Belfast East	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder	ScreenWorks Story Builder Core Programme

		Core Programme	Core Programme	
Belfast North	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	
Belfast South and Mid Down	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	ScreenWorks Story Builder Core Programme	
Belfast West	ScreenWorks Games Programme Core Programme	Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	
East Antrim	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	ScreenWorks Core Programme	
South Antrim		ScreenWorks Story Builder Core Programme	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	

North Antrim	ScreenWorks Story Builder Core Programme	ScreenWorks Core Programme	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme
East Londonderry	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme
Foyle	ScreenWorks Story Builder Core Programme	Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	ScreenWorks Story Builder Core Programme
Lagan Valley	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	ScreenWorks Story Builder Core Programme
Mid Ulster	ScreenWorks Core Programme	Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme
Newry and Armagh	ScreenWorks	ScreenWorks	ScreenWorks

	Story Builder Core Programme	Core Programme	Story Builder Core Programme
North Down	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	ScreenWorks Games Programme Core Programme	ScreenWorks Story Builder Core Programme
South Down	ScreenWorks Core Programme	Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	ScreenWorks Core Programme
Strangford	ScreenWorks Core Programme	Games Programme	
Upper Bann	ScreenWorks Story Builder Core Programme	ScreenWorks Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme	Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme
West Tyrone	ScreenWorks Core Programme	ScreenWorks Core Programme	Games Programme Story Builder Core Programme
Fermanagh and South Tyrone	ScreenWorks Story Builder	Games Programme Story Builder	ScreenWorks Story Builder

	Core Programme	Core Programme	Core Programme

Cinemagic

Cinemagic uses film and television to educate, motivate, and inspire young people, delivering workshops, masterclasses, and hands-on programmes that develop skills and nurture emerging talent. Its Belfast festival and year-round learning activities enable opportunities for schools, students, and young filmmakers. The education programmes delivered are as follows:

- SEN Animation Programme
  - A creative animation programme supported by WheelWorks and accredited by ASDAN that supports young SEN learners and provides vocational skills, soft skills, and creative portfolios

- KS3 Careers Programme
  - Careers programme for Key Stage 3 educators and pupils to profile careers in the screen industries

Cinemagic	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
Constituency	Programme(s)	Programme(s)	Programme(s)
Belfast East		KS3 Careers Programme	
Belfast North	KS3 Careers Programme SEN Animation Programme	KS3 Careers Programme SEN Animation Programme	KS3 Careers Programme SEN Animation Programme
Belfast South and Mid Down	KS3 Careers Programme SEN Animation Programme	KS3 Careers Programme SEN Animation Programme	KS3 Careers Programme SEN Animation Programme
Belfast West	KS3 Careers Programme	KS3 Careers Programme	KS3 Careers Programme

East Antrim	KS3 Careers Programme SEN Animation Programme	KS3 Careers Programme SEN Animation Programme	KS3 Careers Programme SEN Animation Programme
South Antrim			KS3 Careers Programme
North Antrim	KS3 Careers Programme	KS3 Careers Programme	
Newry and Armagh			KS3 Careers Programme
North Down	KS3 Careers Programme SEN Animation Programme	KS3 Careers Programme SEN Animation Programme	KS3 Careers Programme SEN Animation Programme
Upper Bann	SEN Animation Programme		

Kippie

Kippie to delivers **Ctrl, Alt, Create** which is a free games development programme for girls aged 11-14, that teaches beginners to design games using GameMaker, create digital art via Procreate, and learn coding/animation skills.

Kippie	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
Constituency	**Programme(s)**	**Programme(s)**	**Programme(s)**
Belfast South and Mid Down	Ctrl, Alt, Create	Ctrl, Alt, Create	Ctrl, Alt, Create
Foyle	Ctrl, Alt, Create	Ctrl, Alt, Create	Ctrl, Alt, Create
Fermanagh and South Tyrone	Ctrl, Alt, Create	Ctrl, Alt, Create	Ctrl, Alt, Create