

The Documentary Academy is open to anyone aged 15-19 from across the North East and is completely free.

Each year there are 16 places on the programme and participants learn the basics of making a documentary film from coming up with the initial idea through to screening the finished work at Tyneside Cinema.

You don't need any previous filmmaking experience, just the desire to say something about the world you live in and a commitment to turn up at each session and get involved.

What will you do?

- Meet other young people interested in film
- Plan, shoot, edit and screen your own short documentary film
- Work with industry professionals to develop your filmmaking skills
- Receive free training in the use of professional camera, sound and editing equipment
- See your films screened at a special premiere event at Tyneside Cinema
- Have your work entered into festivals and awards at home and abroad

Previous participants have used their experience from the programme to gain a place at university or as part of a portfolio to get work in the film industry.

All academies run take place at Tyneside Cinema Pop-Up Film School, Pilgrim Street, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 6QG.

How to apply?

Each year, around March/April we open up applications for the Documentary Academy on our website.

Check the website regularly or email us filmschool@tynesidecinema.co.uk to be put on the mailing list.

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