

**Talent Academy 2022
Preparation Notes and Checklist for Year 5 Visual Arts Applicants
International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme (IBCP)
DSA-JC and Non-DSA**

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TALENT ACADEMY 2022**Checklist for Submission of Supporting Documents to be Uploaded via the TA Portal
DSA-JC and Non-DSA IBCP Applicants**

Apply online via the TA Portal between 8 April 12:00 noon to 17 May 2022, 5:00 pm (SGT)

No	Document Title (to be uploaded directly to the TA Portal)	Maximum File Size	File Type
1	<p>Applicant's Identification Document</p> <p><u>Singaporeans</u> Birth Certificate or Citizenship Certificate</p> <p><u>Singapore Permanent Residents</u> Passport and Re-Entry Permit</p> <p><u>Foreigners residing in Singapore</u> Passport and Dependant's or Student Pass</p>	1 MB	PDF
2	<p>1 recent passport-sized colour photograph</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Should be taken against plain white background ● <u>Do not</u> upload a full-length photograph 	2 MB	JPEG, JPG
3	<p>Academic Results</p> <p><u>8 April to 17 May (All Applicants)</u></p> <p>DSA-JC: Sec 3E/4NA End-of-Year results.</p> <p>Non-DSA: 2021 academic results. All original transcripts not in English should be accompanied with a translated document.</p> <p><u>June – date to be confirmed (Shortlisted Applicants Only)</u></p> <p>DSA-JC: Log in to the TA Portal and upload your Sec 4E/5NA mid-year result. Please make a photocopy of your results before returning your reportbook to your primary school. If you did not make a copy, you may request for one from your school. The General Office is open during the school term break.</p> <p>Non-DSA: Log in to the TA Portal and upload your most recent 2022 academic results. All original transcripts not in English should be accompanied with a translated document. You may skip this step if you do not have any latest results to upload.</p>	2 MB	PDF
4	<p>DSA-JC applicants (if applicable):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mother Tongue Language In-Lieu Letter ● Mother Tongue Language Exemption Letter 	1 MB	PDF

Note:

- It takes about 45 minutes to 1 hour to complete the entire application for **ONE** (1) artform, provided that the portfolio submission and all supporting documents have been prepared in advance
- Applicants are advised to submit their applications early, as the TA Portal may experience slower connectivity due to high traffic towards the close of the application period
- Incomplete applications will be disqualified. Appeals for late submissions will not be considered

The TA Portal opens from 8 April 12:00 noon to 17 May, 5:00 pm (SGT). There will be no extension of deadline for submission of application. Do ensure you have ample time to complete and submit your application.

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Preparation Notes for Portfolio Submission in Visual Arts (for all applicants) International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme (IBCP) DSA-JC and Non-DSA Year 5 Applicants

SOTA offers students specializing in Visual Arts the opportunity to develop deep knowledge and understanding in the techniques, theory, and history of visual arts. Students will develop analytical and critical abilities as they learn to investigate, annotate, and document their ideas and processes, in art making.

SOTA's IB Diploma qualification is recognised by top universities worldwide. Armed with their IB Diploma and extensive arts portfolio, SOTA graduates can look forward to the arts as a career or leverage their arts-enriched educational experience to embark on diverse career options such as journalism, law, architecture and more.

You may consider applying if you demonstrate talent or potential in areas on 2-dimensional (2D) work, such as drawing and painting or design; 3-dimensional (3D) work, such as sculpture and ceramics; or electronic- or lens-based work, such as media arts or photography.

What to Submit for the Visual Arts Portfolio

Item	Description
(1) Final Artworks Portfolio	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 8 to 10 final artworks completed between 2020 – 2022• <u>Artworks that demonstrate:</u><ol style="list-style-type: none">a. A range of technical competencies and considerationsb. A diversity of conceptual approaches, considerations, and development in 2D, 3D or electronic- or lens-based final artworks that are completed and resolvedc. A combination of selected works done in school and at home during your own time is recommended <p><u>Instructions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scan <u>all</u> artworks and combine into 1 PDF document• Save the PDF document with your full name• Complete Annex A (Cover Page)<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ the order of artwork listed should follow the order of the scanned artworks)• Save the PDF document and completed Annex A into a folder• Name the folder with your name• Folder size should not exceed 20mb• Upload the folder to Google drive• Privacy Setting: ensure that it is set to 'Anyone with the link'• Paste the shared link on the TA Portal in the 'Uploaded to External Site URL' field

Item	Description
(2) Sketchbook Pages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 5 to 8 selected sketchbook pages of A4 – A3 size, created between 2020 – 2022 ● A sketchbook page may show a record of images and/or writings as part of a creative process. For example, it can be made up of quick sketches or drawings done in preparation for an artwork, and a short paragraph to explain the art/process for the completed Artworks Portfolio <p><u>Instructions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Scan all sketchbook pages and combine into 1 PDF document ● Save the PDF document with your name ● Complete Annex A (Cover Page) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ the order of artwork listed should follow the order of the scanned artworks) ● Save the scanned PDF document and completed Annex A into a folder ● Name the folder with your name ● Folder size should not exceed 20mb ● Upload the folder to Google drive ● Privacy Setting: ensure that it is set to 'Anyone with the link' ● Paste the shared link on the TA Portal in the 'Uploaded to External Site URL' field
(3) 500-word typedessay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Submit an essay that highlights your art proposal on a specific area of interest and research ● Indicate the reason(s) that would clarify or justify the relevance or importance of your art proposal ● Share some possible approaches you have taken to start the research as well as expected outcomes ● Include reasons of applying for the IBCP programme as well as what you hope to pursue at higher education, career, and your aspirations. <p><u>Instructions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Format: Typewritten, font size 12 points, Arial font, double-spacing ● Save as a word document or .pdf ● Upload document to Google drive ● Privacy Setting: ensure that it is set to 'Anyone with the link' ● Paste the shared link on the TA Portal in the 'Uploaded to External Site URL' field
Note	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Supporting documents, portfolios, and photographs submitted for shortlisting will be retained for the school's records. ● Certificates, achievement records, testimonials, recommendation letters are <u>not</u> required.

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Entrance Tests – Information for Non-DSA IBCP applicants

You may consider purchasing the local GCE 'O' level assessment books for the following subjects to familiarise yourself with the topics and exercises.

Only shortlisted applicants are required to take the tests. More information will be shared with shortlisted candidates on how the tests will be conducted.

Test	Information
English Comprehension and Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● You will be given 5 minutes to read the instructions carefully, and 1 hour 15 minutes to complete the test● Based on an expository text, candidates will answer a variety of questions testing close reading and comprehension skills, vocabulary in context and the use of language for impact● Based on an expository text, students will respond to an author's key arguments.
Mathematics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● You will be given 5 minutes to read the instructions carefully, and 1 hour 30 minutes to complete the test● No calculator or Graphic Display Calculator is allowed● Formula Booklet will be provided● Candidates must complete 10 problem-solving questions that carry a total of 80 marks● The topics that will be covered are as follows:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Prior Knowledge of Year 1 to 4 Mathematics (Elementary Mathematics and some Additional Mathematics) is required○ Functions and Graphs○ Quadratic Functions and Graphs○ Nature of roots for Quadratic Functions○ Logarithms○ Trigonometry: Identities, Double Angle Formula and Trigonometric Graphs○ Differentiation of Polynomials, Exponential and Logarithmic Functions○ Applications of Differentiation: Increasing and Decreasing Functions and Equations of Tangents and Normals○ Integration of Polynomials○ Applications of Integration: Area

Annex A

COVER PAGE FOR SUBMISSION OF ARTWORKS PORTFOLIO VIA TA PORTAL

NO	TITLE OF WORK	DATE COMPLETED (MM/YY)	DIMENSIONS IN CENTIMETRES (E.G. HEIGHT x WIDTH x DEPTH)
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Annex B

Guide to uploading and compressing videos and/or documents for submission via the TA Portal

1. How do I upload videos and files to Google drive?

You may refer to the [Google Support page](#) for assistance

Direct Link:

<https://support.google.com/drive/answer/2424368?co=GENIE.Platform%3DDesktop&hl=en>

Google Search Engine

In google search engine, type the following keywords: How to upload files or folders to google drive

2. How do I upload videos to YouTube?

You may refer to the [YouTube Support page](#) for assistance

Direct Link:

https://support.google.com/youtube/answer/57407?hl=en&ref_topic=7505892

Google Search Engine

In google search engine, type the following keywords: How to upload video to YouTube

3. How do I convert, compress or merge documents to PDF?

There are many free online websites you can use. Below are a few suggestions. Please note that SOTA is not affiliated to any of these sites. The links below will bring you to an external website not hosted by SOTA.

Convert word document to pdf document

- a. www.freepdfconvert.com
- b. <https://smallpdf.com/word-to-pdf>

Compress / Resize pdf documents

- a. http://www.ilovepdf.com/compress_pdf

Merge individual pdf documents into 1 document

- b. http://www.ilovepdf.com/merge_pdf