



PATHWAYS TO CREATIVE CAREERS



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Find a space (online or offline) where creatives share feedback.
Prepare 1 piece of your work to share and 1 question to ask.

Look for professional support such as a career coach or ask your mentor for professional advice.

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Is there someone in your network who could act as a peer mentor in a community of practice?

Jot down how you could start a conversation with them.

Discuss with your mentor for suggestions

Choose a mentor talk, interview or Q&A online. Watch it and list 3 insights that struck you the most.

Discuss them with your Mentor for suggestions on how to dive deep.

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What is 1 online course or resource you can explore this week to learn about an art field that you like?

Jot down 3 steps to access it and 1 expectation

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Imagine your ideal mentor. What would you want to learn from them?

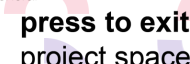
Jot down 3 goals you'd like your mentor to help you achieve.

Discuss with them

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Join or organise regular meetups / online groups to keep connections.

List 3 existing meetups or online groups of your interest.

Ask your mentor for suggestions or guidance.

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Who do you know who works in a creative field?

Reach out with 1 question about their journey and note what you learn.



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List 3 creative skills you'd like to explore over the next year.

What would be your first step for each?

Ask your Mentor for suggestions on what you want to dive deep.

LL&CB

Reach out to other creative professionals to join or build a community of practice.

List 3 names and think ways to connect or collaborate, ask your mentor for suggestions.

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Attend or research a creative meetup.

After the event, jot down 3 things you observed or learned that can help your practice.

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Find an online event or group related to your artfield of interest.

What would you like to ask or share if you joined?

Write your introduction message.

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If you could ask a mentor in the creative industries 1 thing now, what would it be?

Jot down your question and a short message to approach them.

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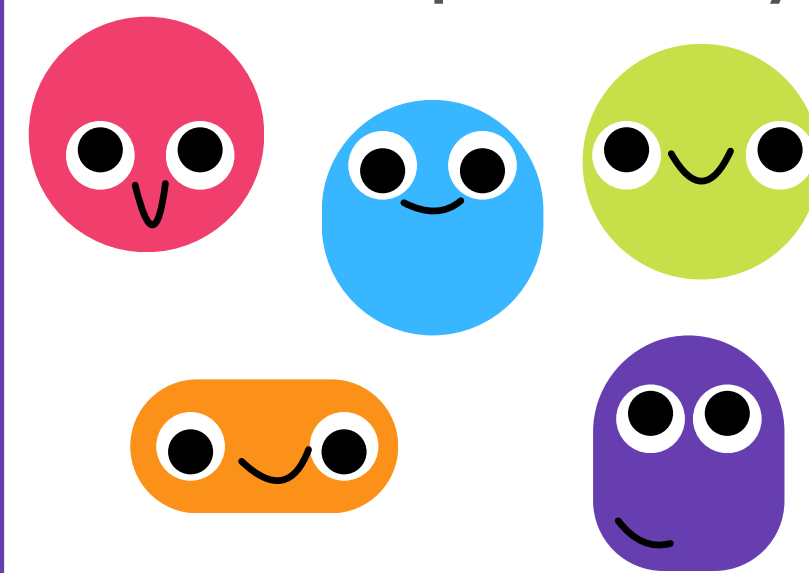
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Identify one specific skill you want to improve.

Search for an online tutorial or course and plan when you'll start it this week.

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List 1 group (online or in presence), or creative community you could join to practise your skill with others.

Join an entrepreneurial group or event this month. How would you introduce yourself, pitch your work? What questions or topics will you bring to the discussion to get valuable insights?	Identify 1 creative entrepreneur in your network or industry. How could you collaborate with them in order to expand your opportunities?	Find and attend an online course or resource on creative entrepreneurship. What is 1 key takeaway you can apply immediately to your work?	Free Notes	Don't know where to start? Find out which profile suits you 
List 3 challenges you're facing in turning your creativity into income. Who could you talk to for advice on each? Discuss with your mentor/s	Free Notes	Discuss with your mentor for an assessment of your career strengths and needs for improvement. Jot down the main aspects you want to dig deep with your mentor.	Write a short message to a creative you admire asking if you could shadow or assist them on a project, even just once. What can you offer to engage and collaborate?	 Scan the QR code to access the Profile Mapping chart and Zine Instruction
Free Notes	Look up an online portfolio or behind-the-scenes video of a creative professional. Jot down what part of their process you would like to try then plan or discuss with your mentor how to implement it	Ask someone with experience in your field how they got their first opportunity. Jot down the findings and eventually discuss with your mentor.	Attend a creative showcase, open mic or exhibition. Jot down 1 observation about creative process and 1 about audience engagement you would like to implement. Discuss with your mentor.	COLOR CODE Awareness & Inspiration A&I Skills Development SD Mentoring & Guidance M&G Lifelong Learning & Community Building LL&CB Real World Experience RWE Entrepreneurial support ES Recognition & Celebration R&C
How does engaging with online resources help you recognise and celebrate your artistic growth? Identify a free tool or platform where you can publish your work online. Set a date to upload something you're proud of. R&C	In what ways could you engage with a creative community to increase your visibility? List 3 ways you can implement this month.	Attend or create a virtual "showcase." What work of yours would you present? How would you introduce it? R&C	Share a creative win (big or small) with someone you trust. Write a short message acknowledging your own effort and send it. R&C	Free Notes R&C