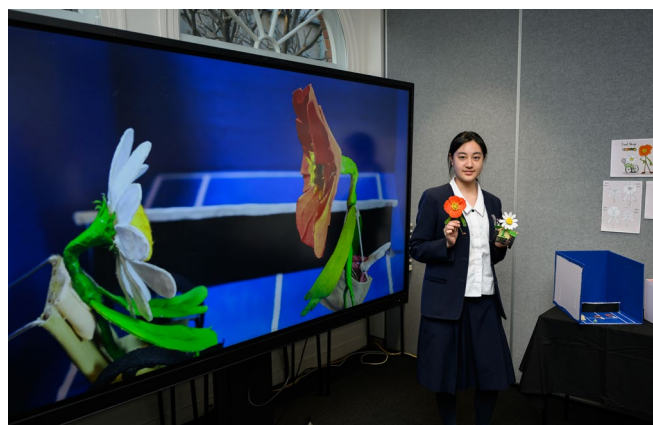


Design and Creative Arts students go global

Tina Tian and Courtney Au (Class of 2024) have been accepted into leading schools in design and the arts in the USA.

Courtney received a place at the highly respected Parsons University, New York, and Tina Tian was awarded a scholarship at California College of the Arts in San Francisco, based on her impressive portfolio.



Tina Tian

In her time at Meriden, Tina studied Design and Technology in Years 11 and 12, with her Major Design project taking inspiration from Australian sporting royalty and wheelchair tennis player Dylan Alcott.

Tina drew inspiration from an interview with Mr Alcott in which he advocates for the benefits of sport to people with a disability. Her creation, *Let it Bloom!*, is a stop-motion animation short film that follows the story of a girl with disabilities rediscovering sports.

Meanwhile, Visual Arts student Courtney crafted highly detailed drawings that she transformed into a short film about memories and loss.

Her drawings were highly detailed and showcased her passion and skill in art.

Head of Tertiary Pathways, Mr Ryan Richards, shared, “Both Tina and Courtney are highly passionate and creative individuals who always wanted to make an impact on a global scale. Their stories show that students who are committed to their work can seek to study beyond Australia at some of the most prestigious schools in the world.”

“Additionally, this also shows the tremendous talent our Design and Creative Arts teachers possess in guiding the likes of Tina and Courtney throughout their time at Meriden. Our amazing teachers equipped them with highly technical and industry-ready skills.”

We look forward to following both girls as they embark on what will be an incredible journey.

Ms Gillian Legge

Head of Design and Creative Arts

Mr Ryan Richards

Head of Tertiary Pathways



Courtney Au