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To: SQA Co-ordinators
Secondary Schools and FE Colleges

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Dear Colleague

Invitation to Launch Event of Music and Drama National Progression Awards

SQA has recently designed and developed a number of new Group Awards in Music and Sound Production and Drama and Technical Theatre and these new National Progression Awards (NPAs) will be formally launched at a venue in Stirling on Friday 19 March 2010.

These National Progression Awards are available at SCQF level 6 in the following areas:

- ◆ Music Performing, Music Business, Sound Production: Recording, Sound Production: Live
- ◆ Acting and Theatre Performance, Professional Theatre Preparation, Musical Theatre, Technical Theatre in Practice

Further information on the nature and purpose of the new National Progression Awards can be found on <http://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/38279.html>

Many colleagues from the education and business sectors have contributed their expertise to this development programme and we would like to extend an invitation to you to nominate a representative from your centre to attend the launch event.

This event will provide the opportunity for us to present to you:

- ◆ the content of each National Progression Award
- ◆ assessment requirements
- ◆ delivery methods

At the event on 19 March the Music and Sound Production NPAs will be launched in the morning and the afternoon session will be devoted to the Drama and Technical Theatre NPAs. Please indicate clearly on the enclosed booking form which half day session you would like to attend and return the form by **5 March 2010**. Full confirmation details, including a programme for the day and a map of directions, will be sent to you approximately two weeks prior to the event.

If you have any enquiries about this event or the delegate registration procedures, please contact sqaevents@sqa.org.uk or telephone 0845 213 5295.

Yours sincerely

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