



# HAIR & BEAUTY SHOWCASE

GET INSPIRED



IF YOU'VE GOT CREATIVE FLAIR,  
ARE GOOD WITH PEOPLE,  
AND LIKE A TECHNICAL CHALLENGE,  
YOU MIGHT ENJOY A CAREER  
IN THE HAIR & BEAUTY INDUSTRY.

You will gain commercial  
experience with real  
customers in our on-site,  
open to the public,  
commercial salon.

DEVELOP TECHNICAL SKILLS



## QUICK STATS

### HAIRDRESSING STAFF:

**Curriculum Manager:** Jenny Spires

**Lecturers:** Debi Griffin, Cathie Dickenson,  
Karen Randle, Katy White, Andrea Radford.

### BEAUTY THERAPY STAFF:

Cathy Davis, Sandra Robertson,  
Emily Hemming, Lora Scott,  
Rebecca Sousen, Susan Cullilane

### BARBERING STAFF:

Karen Randle

Check out the full programme  
list on our website!  
[www.coventrycollege.ac.uk](http://www.coventrycollege.ac.uk)



THIS INDUSTRY OFFERS A WIDE A RANGE OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES. WHETHER YOU'D LIKE TO BE A BARBER OR HAIR STYLIST, A BEAUTY THERAPIST OR MAKE UP ARTIST, THERE ARE A VARIETY OF ROLES FOR YOU TO CHOOSE FROM.

You will train in our on-site commercial salon, which is open to the public, so you will gain first-hand experience with real clients, giving you up to date skills and underpinning knowledge.



OUTSTANDING  
FACILITIES



Since studying at Coventry College I'm more confident, I speak to more people and I feel like I can achieve anything now!

Hairdressing learner



INDUSTRY  
EXPERT  
STAFF

# Success Story

COMMERCIAL  
SUCCESS

## Baldesh's Journey

**Baldesh "Bally" Singh completed a Level 3 Diploma in Barbering before establishing Tayper & Ballä in Coventry city centre earlier this year.**

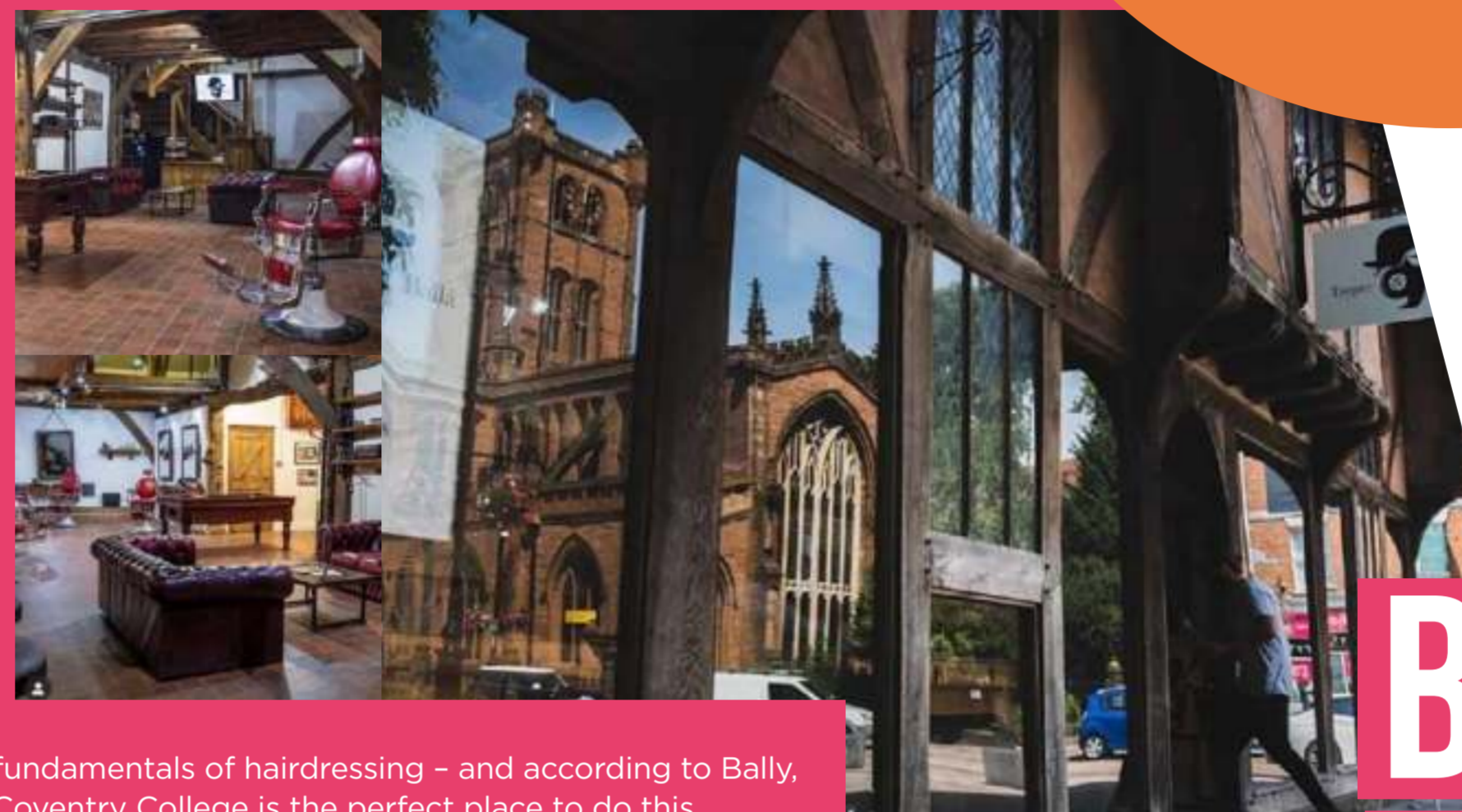
Bally took time out to do some barbering demonstrations for learners while sharing his own personal journey of how he made the cut as a professional barber.

"You have to be passionate about what you're doing," said Bally. "For me, barbering is not only what I do but it's who I am – it's definitely a way of life." While he cannot imagine doing anything else, he hasn't always worked in the hair-cutting industry.

"Before I started my training, I was working for a national bank – but it didn't stimulate me. Barbering gives me the chance to express myself in a way that an office job wasn't able to."

"As a barber, I've seen first-hand how my work can make people feel better about themselves and even boost their morale. It's a great feeling because not only do you feel proud of what you're doing, you also get to interact with people on a personal level, not just as clients."

While his desire to train as a barber may have stemmed from a passion for sharp lines and gradual blends, it is necessary for learners to learn the



fundamentals of hairdressing – and according to Bally, Coventry College is the perfect place to do this.

"The programme tutors taught me the importance of learning the rules before carving out my own style," added Bally.

"Barbering is a creative profession and everyone has their own unique style, but it's crucial that you understand the basics."

Equipped with everything required for a successful career in hairdressing, Bally then set out on a path that would eventually lead to him running a successful city centre barber shop.

A part time job at a well-known barber shop in Rugby soon became a full-time position. But such was his appetite to learn and develop, he would also head into Coventry city centre on his days off armed with his scissors and a chair where he would offer free haircuts.

"I couldn't get enough! The more experience I got, the better I became, but ultimately it was driven by a passion for barbering."

"The most important advice that the tutors gave me was 'you're only as good as your last haircut'. It doesn't matter what you've done before, your reputation is vital. You can't afford to be complacent."

# BALLY SINGH

STUDIED: **LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA  
BARBERING**

NOW: **BUSINESS OWNER  
TAYPER & BALLÄ BARBERS**



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### POSSIBLE CAREER OPTIONS

- Hairdresser
- Barber
- Beauty Therapist
- Salon Manager
- Sales & Retail Assistants
- Beauticians & Related Occupations

### FACILITIES AND TRAINING

- **On-site commercial salon** open to the public.
- **Lecturers have industry experience**, so learners always gain up to date skills.
- **External trained staff** from **MUK** and **Aston & Fincher** come into classes to give product demonstrations and knowledge which learners get to practise with.
- Excellent links with the hairdressing, beauty and barbering industries for work experience placements.
- **External judges** come into the salon to judge an Avant Garde complete look with prizes. Learners use their creative skills to achieve an overall look and gain certificates and trophies for the top 3 achievers. A yearly overall winner will receive a cup engraved with their name to take home and keep for that year.
- **MUK colour expert** comes into classes to give knowledge on products and exciting new techniques. Learners gain underpinning knowledge, have group discussions, one to one questioning with the expert and demonstrations from them on these days as part of the curriculum.
- **Industry professionals** regularly come into the College to demonstrate skills and support some practical sessions giving tips and advice.

### TRIPS AND COMPETITIONS

- **World Skills** and other external competitions, designed to show off your skills and be the best at what you do.
- Trips to visit **Salon International** in London to be inspired by the latest products, techniques and equipment. Live demonstrations and ability to purchase products and equipment VAT free! There are also external competitions with prizes, certificates and trophies.
- Trips to **Beauty UK** at the NEC in Birmingham, which gives an insight of all the treatments and equipment in the industry today.
- Barbers have the opportunity to attend **Barber UK**, **Barbers Connect** and **Salon International**.
- Beauty learners can make residential trips to spas, salons and health farms.
- Guest speakers from industry including, **Steiner Cruise Ships** and **Ragdale Hall**.

EXCELLENT  
PROGRESSION  
OPPORTUNITIES

THE NUMBER OF  
HAIR & BEAUTY SALON  
MANAGER JOBS IS  
EXPECTED TO INCREASE  
BY 2.3% OVER THE NEXT  
FOUR YEARS

MENTORING  
BY INDUSTRY  
PROFESSIONALS

THE AVERAGE SALARY FOR HAIR  
& BEAUTY SALON MANAGERS IS  
£23,858 PER YEAR IN COVENTRY  
& SURROUNDING AREAS



# SALON **FIFTY**

HAIR & BEAUTY

SALON FIFTY IS THE COLLEGE'S ON-SITE HAIR AND BEAUTY SALON,  
WHICH OFFERS A NUMBER OF SERVICES AND  
TREATMENTS TO THE PUBLIC.

The learners working in the salon are fully supervised  
at all times by qualified tutors with vast industry experience.  
The salon is equipped to the highest standard,  
whilst providing great value for money.

CONTACT US

To book an appointment,  
please call : 02476 791 748  
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great value  
hair & beauty  
treatments

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