

# Ollie Briggs

Artist

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## Statement

I am a justice driven artist educator, researcher, coach and consultant working in alternative arts education, community resource building and organisational development.

I am dedicated to challenging inequity through creative and critical, anti-oppressive education and collective, community action.

Having taught in schools and set up an alternative arts and therapeutic provision, I have a broad, systemic understanding about the arts, pedagogy and institutions. My strength is making connections, implementing collaborative strategies and developing practices and strategies toward social change.

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## Knowledge and expertise

- Critical, creative and anti-oppressive pedagogies
- Young people - therapeutic approaches to learning: trauma/attachment informed practice
- Research - mixed methods / arts based
- Academic writing
- Evaluation design / implementation
- Facilitation - workshops etc
- Organisational development: systems and strategies
- Teaching - secondary > HE
- Fundraising - crowdfunding campaigns and bid writing
- Teams and leadership development
- Public speaking - conferences/events etc
- Podcast production and interviewing

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## Experience

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### **Tend Towards Justice CIC / Co Director**

Apr 2025 - present, Margate, UK

Organisational development, facilitation, research, coaching

### **Visiting Lecturer PGCE Art and Design / UCL - IOE**

May - Jul 2025 London, UK

Sabbatical cover

### **Artsmark Teacher / Goldsmiths University**

2024 - present, London, UK

Teaching / research

### **[MYCO Creative](#) - independent consultant**

Jan 2024 - PRESENT, Margate, UK

Strategy / systems / coaching / evaluation / consultancy

### **The Line / Project Evaluator**

2024 - Jul 2026, London UK

Developing evaluation framework, data collection and reporting for The Line, an arts based learning organisation based in East London.

### **[Arts Education Exchange \(AEE\)](#) / Founder CEO**

Oct 2017 - PRESENT, Margate, UK

I founded AEE, a registered charity, in 2017 to provide alternative creative learning opportunities for young people in Thanet, who face barriers to education. The organisation is funded by Paul Hamlyn Foundation, National Lottery and Arts Council England among others. My role is strategic and I am responsible for organisation wide cohesion and development.

### **Wye Free School / Teacher of Art, Design and Photography**

Sep 2016 - Sep 2018, Wye, Kent, UK

- Planning relevant and curriculum informed lessons for young people aged 11 - 16
- Assessment and feedback
- Curriculum development
- Setting up photography GCSE

### **Archbishop Tenison's CofE School / Teacher of Art, Design and Photography**

Sep 2012 - Sep 2016, Wye, Kent, UK

- Planning relevant and curriculum informed lessons for young people aged 11 - 18
- Assessment and feedback
- Curriculum development
- Setting up photography A-Level

- Charity liaison

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## Education

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### **RD1st / Relational Dynamics (Level 7 Coaching)**

Jan 2024 - Mar 2024, Virtual

Enhanced self-awareness and emotional intelligence; Negotiation and trust; Motivation, needs and behaviour; Giving and receiving feedback; Difficult conversations and negotiation; Advanced Communication; Working with emotions.

### **Goldsmiths University / Masters Arts & Learning**

Oct 2014 - Jul 2016, London **Pass with Distinction**. Spaces of Practice, Critical Pedagogy, Independent Studies.

### **Goldsmiths University / PGCE Art and Design**

Sep 2011 - Jul 2012, London

### **University of the Arts London / BA Drawing**

Oct 2001 - Jul 2005, London

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## Other relevant training, experience

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**Upcoming article in iJADE: Arts education in the 3rd space: Creative journeys towards critical consciousness and social transformation**

### **Embodied activism certificate / Embodylab**

2025

### **Non violent communication and deescalation / Resilient Voices Alliance**

2025

### **Designated Safeguarding Officer Level 3 / High Speed Training**

2024

### **Mental Health First Aider / MFHA England**

Dec 2023