

Jean McEwan: visual artist, organiser and creative facilitator

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Education

- 2005 BA Fine Art First Class Honours, Leeds Beckett University
- 2004 Erasmus exchange to Universidad Complutense, Madrid
- 2002 BTEC Foundation Diploma in Art and Design, Keighley College
- 1993 MA Hons English Literature and Language, Glasgow University

Selected work with communities

- 2021 - 23 Create Connect Make: lead artist, pilot project developing community-led creativity with Bradford Libraries
- 2019 - date To Wander is To Adventure: creative walking project with Purple Patch Arts and Adults with learning disabilities
- 2015 - 21 Wur Bradford grassroots arts project, Bradford Markets (founder)
- 2019 - 20 Growing Cultures: Temporary Contemporary public engagement project, Huddersfield
- 2018 Processions national mass participation artwork, Artichoke: Bradford banner participatory commission with The Brickbox
- 2017 Free Our Streets: Restorative Solutions anti street harassment project: collaborative design of campaign materials
- 2015 - 17 Super Slow Way: Circle of Friends community residency
- 2016 Kirklees Council: People Make Places public art residency

Selected Work with research projects

- 2020 - date Changing Realities national research project: facilitation of collective zines
- 2022 - date Binks Hub, University of Edinburgh: creative facilitation with collage and zinemaking, member of advisory group
- 2021 -22 Mentoring with Phd student on collage and trauma-informed participatory art Practice (University of Exeter)
- 2023 Co-presenter at inaugural International Creative Research Methods Conference, Manchester
- 2022 - date Music, Creativity and Wellbeing: developing collage graphic scores in collaboration with researcher
- 2022 Navigating Digital Welfare, University of Edinburgh: facilitation of zine activity with participants as research method
- 2019 Above The Noise: 15 Stories From Bradford, Bradford Museum Project
EHRC research project with University of Leeds: creative facilitator
- 2018 Welfare Imaginaries national seminar series: facilitation of collective zine with attendees
- 2017 - 18 Power Up Creative Resistance: community action research Project (Wur Bradford) with University of Bradford Peace Studies

Facilitation and Teaching

- 2017 - 22 My Next Chapter For Creatives programme: co-designer and facilitator
- 2020 - 22 University of Leeds: Guest lecturer
- 2015 - 17 Leeds College of Art and Design: Visiting Lecturer
- 2017 - 18 University of Lincoln, School of Graphic Design: Associate Lecturer
- 2017 - 18 University of Sheffield, Fashion Management: Associate Lecturer

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2018 WE ARE HERE: Kala Sangam, Bradford (Wur Bradford)
- 2017 Full Scale: Art's Use in The Real World, University of Bradford (Wur Bradford)
- 2016 For What It's Worth: South Square Gallery
- 2015 Bowled Over: Glasgow Open House Festival
- 2014 COLONIZE Revisited: Arena Gallery, Liverpool
- 2014 COLONIZE, Dykeman Young Gallery, Jamestown, NY
- 2012 Leeds Vantage Art Prize, Leeds
- 2012 Inhospitable: Liverpool Independents Biennial
- 2012 Supermarket: Stockholm Independent Art Fair
- 2011 Speakeasy: Basement Arts Project, Leeds
- 2011 Fotomania: Malaga, Spain

Awards/Bursaries/Competitions

- 2013 a-n Artist Information Company Re:view artist bursary
- 2013 Vantage Art Prize, Leeds: shortlisted artist
- 2010 Made in Bradford: Bradford City of Film short film competition
- 2005 Emerging Artist Bursary, Four Square project @ South Square Gallery Bradford, Esmee Fairbairn Foundation