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Art:

Education

- Institute of Education, University of London - Training for Artists in Schools, 1996-7
- Coventry University - BA Fine Art (Hons), 1990-93
- Ravensbourne College of Design and Communication - Foundation in 3D Design, 1989-90

Solo Exhibitions

- *Waterways*, Stiwdio 1 at The Queens Hall - July 2021
- *Dreamscapes*, Cwtch Coffee Shop & Art Gallery, Pembroke Dock, May 2019
- *Views from Lawrenny*, Cwtch Coffee Shop & Art Gallery, Pembroke Dock, Mar-Apr 2018
- *Beautiful Cleddau: Views from Lawrenny*, The VC Gallery, Haverfordwest, Feb-Mar 2018
- *Thorgod*, Hayes School, Kent, Dec 1995
- *Who Am I Your Mother?*, Hayes School, Kent, July 1995
- *Retrospective*, Coopers School, Chislehurst, Kent 1994

Joint/Group Exhibitions

- *Breaking Out of the Gallery*, Haverfordwest, Summer 2021
- *Power of Pembrokeshire* with the VC Gallery, Tenby Museum & Art Gallery, Jan/Feb 2020
- *Dreamscapes: Visions from the Subconscious*, with Sebastian Ward Turner, West Barn, Bradford on Avon June 2019
- *Winter Show*, Oriol Q, Queens Hall, Narberth, Nov-Dec 2018
- *Breaking Out of the Gallery*, Haverfordwest, Summer 2018
- *Exit*, Coventry University, 1993

Galleries, Shops and Work on Display

- Eastgate Creative Hwb CIC, Pembroke, Nov 21 to Apr 22
- Cwtch Coffee Shop & Art Gallery, Pembroke Dock, Pembs 2020
- Haulfryn Jewellers, Narberth, Pembs, March 2019 - Feb 2020
- Pure Art Gallery, Milford Haven, Pembs 2018-19
- Anna's Gallery, Milford Haven, Pembs 2018
- Penlon on the Beach, New Quay, Ceredigion, Summer 2018
- Bridge Street Gallery, The VC Gallery, Haverfordwest, Pembs 2018
- Sospan Fach, Narberth, Pembs, Summer 2017
- Coopers School, Chislehurst, Kent 1993 ongoing

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Teaching:

Creative Art Workshops - Adults & Families

Sept 2020 I took over the former Oriel Q Gallery at The Queens Hall in Narberth, as my studio, gallery and teaching space. During this time, Covid rules allowing, I ran creative art workshops and courses for adults. These began before vaccination and so various degrees of social distancing and rules based attendance were employed in order to make the workshops happen, giving a vital lifeline to many of the participants. Teaching has been an important part of my artistic art practice since 1994.

- Louise Burdett Artist Workshops & Courses, Stiwdio 1 @ Queens Hall, Sept 2020 to May 2022
- The Big Retreat Wales, Lawrenny, (Director of Adults Art & Making) 2020 (event postponed)
- Louise Burdett Art *Spring Workshops*, Lawrenny & Tenby Mar 2020 (cut short by Lockdown)
- Springboard & JMA Tutor, Pembrokeshire County Council, 2019, 2020, 2022
- The Big Retreat Wales (painting & drawing workshops & drop-in area), Lawrenny, May 2019
- Louise Burdett Art *Paint, Draw, Relax*, Lawrenny, Pems, Nov 2018
- Weds Community Workshops, The VC Gallery Pembroke Dock, Sept 2018 to Jan 2019 (voluntary)
- The Big Retreat Wales (painting workshops), Lawrenny, May 2018

Collaborative Art Residencies - Schools

Working as an artist in residence with students ranging in age from 8 to 18 to complete painting, drawing and sculpture projects which would always end with an exhibition of the finished work. I consider projects completed at Hayes School, and in particular 'Beasts', where students took over classrooms with their own installations, some of my proudest achievements to date.

- **Visual Identity** - 4 week drawing & portraiture project with yr 4. Pickhurst Primary School, Bromley, Kent, Jan 1997
- **Transcendence** - 12 week installation project & public exhibition with Yr 13, Hayes School, Bromley, Kent, Jan to Jul 1996
- **Cheese** - Week-long installation project with Yr 6. Oaklands Primary School, Bromley, Kent, June 1996
- **Beasts** - 12 week installation project with Yr 13 & public exhibition. Hayes School, Bromley, Kent, Sep to Dec 1995
- **The Generations Mural** - 12 week art history mural project with Yr 12. Hayes School, Bromley, Kent, Apr to July 1995
- **Totem** - 6 week sculpture project with Yr 7. Coopers School, Spring 1995
- **You Watching Me Watching You** - 12 week painting project with Yr 12. Coopers School, Kent Sept 1994 to Apr 1995 (voluntary)

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Additional Work Experience:

Festival Director, Lawrenny Fish Festival 2017

Within a week of moving my family to Pembrokeshire I started organising a small local festival with the county council (voluntarily).

Career Break 2013 - 2015

Bringing up kids; helping to run our family business; being a school Governor; helping to run a pre-school.

Corporate Partnerships Manager, National Trust, 2008 - 2013

Developing and managing commercial relationships on behalf of the the National Trust. Delivering on core projects notably Ancient Tree Register and ancient tree management as well as reducing reliance on fossil fuels at historic properties and the let estate through energy efficiency and renewable energy projects.

Marketing & Collections Manager, Office Green, 2003 - 2007

Responsible for all marketing including strategic charity partnerships. Manager of a team of customer service agents working in the tricky area of reverse logistics.

Project Manager: Made in History, HM Tower of London, 2004

Production and curation of fine crafts exhibition with an historical theme.

Business Development Executive, RLSB, 2002

Organising fundraising events, community development and marketing.

Trade Events Executive, BBC Worldwide, 2000 - 2002

Organising large trade briefings on behalf of BBC Worldwide showcasing BBC books, video and audios to major high street retailers. Working with third party events companies with budgets up to £100k. Organising accompanying celebrity book-signing tours working with logistics, press & PR.

Sales Materials Assistant, BBC Worldwide, 1997-2000

Developing point of sale materials working closely with the design & production teams and third party print manufacturers. Producing other bespoke sales materials for the team as required.

Student Ball Organiser, Dirty Hands & Smelly Feet, 1991-1994

Co-running all aspects putting on an annual student ball at the Leofric Hotel, Coventry

Additional Qualifications

Advance Diploma in Professional Studies: Heritage Management 2008, Greenwich University

Six Weeks Office Skills Course 1997