Charlie Brookes

A well organised, resourceful, creative individual working across technologies and disciplines.

EDUCATION

BA (Hons) Design / **First Class Degree** Goldsmiths, University of London *Sept 2016 - May 2019, London*

Fine Art, Graphic Design, Media Studies / **A**, **A**, **A** Queen Elizabeth Sixth Form College Sept 2014 - June 2016, Darlington

SKILLS

Ceramics:

- Throwing, hand building, slip-casting
- Teaching classes
- Developing classes
- Kiln operations and minor repairs
- Glaze testing and mixing
- Wild clay processing and testing
- General studio maintenance and upkeep.

Administration:

- Microsoft Suite
- Google Suite
- Finance packages: Xero, Squareup, Squarespace
- Webshop management
- Ordering supplies, stock taking, restocking materials, communicating with suppliers

Graphic Design:

• Adobe Creative Suite: Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator.

Other:

- Enhanced DBS
- Level 2 Food Hygiene Certificate
- Key holder

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Ceramics Technical Assistant & Workshop Leader Victoria & Albert Museum

November 2022 - present, London

- Teaching hand building and throwing workshops for young people and schools.
- Teaching classes for V&A members and various external charities.
- Managing the on-site ceramics studio, providing technical support for the artist residency and learning programmes.
- Working with the artist-in-residence to help realise their ideas.
- Reviewing and updating all COSHH risk assessments, MSDS, as well as putting a new H&S procedure in place.
- Developing new inventory documents for tools, equipment and materials.
- Leading induction and training days for V&A staff.
- Facilitating ceramics workshops with visiting artists.
- Organising kiln and equipment repairs with contractors and manufacturers.

Studio Assistant & Teacher / SkandiHus

May 2023 - present, London

- Teaching classes
- Loading/unloading kilns
- · Reclaiming clay: Pugging, wedging
- Mixing glazes
- Kiln maintenance: replacing thermocouples/relays/wires
- General studio maintenance

PROJECTS/WORKSHOPS

Ceramic Narratives / V&A Museum

January 2024 - December 2024

This year I have written a regular Friday ceramic workshop for schools (KS2&3) visiting the V&A. The workshop explores storytelling via themes of identity, home and belonging.

Upstart Careers Festival / V&A Museum

November 2023

Drop-in workshop making buttons insipred by artist Lucie Rie. The workshop aligned with last years Upstart theme of fashion.

Artist Maker / The Bowes Museum

August 2023 - present, Barnard Castle Ceramic workshops inspired by objects in the collection. In June 2024 I will be running an online CPD for teachers.

Field Recording Workshop Lead / Peckham Supply

16th September 2021, Peckham Supply Introduction to field recording and sound design including sound walk through Peckham.