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Exhibitions 2009



4th - 29th April; Highland Open Studios preview Exhibition- **Eden Court**, Inverness.

31st May- 6th June; **Highland Open Studios Exhibition**-Solo exhibition at Lochcarron Fire Station.

18th July 2009; Exhibition at **Inchmore Gallery** - Firefighting art.

work also on display all year round at Inchmore Gallery- Inverness, Carron Pottery- Lochcarron , Asgard Crafts- Lochcarron, Rockvilla Hotel –Lochcarron

Current work 2009



I am a freelance Artist & Crafts worker based in Lochcarron.

Co-organiser of HI EX, The annual Highlands International Comics Expo, In Inverness Feb 2008, at Eden Court. www.hi-ex.co.uk profits in aid of 'Children 1st'.

Relief support worker with Skye & Lochalsh young Carers project. We provide one to one, group support & advocacy work delivered through a wide range of activities, challenges & respite outings. October 2007-current

Freelance art, illustration, comic strips, crafts demonstrations, workshop facilitator etc

Retained **Fire fighter** with Lochcarron Fire & rescue service; duties include operational fire & rescue, community fire safety, web site & admin.

Community education Adult art classes one afternoon a week throughout the year with an annual exhibition.

Some Previous work & experience;



I have 20 years experience in teaching arts, crafts & delivering workshops & organising programmes of events. I have worked with all ages & abilities in a wide range of situations.

Art/Media worker with Skye & Lochalsh Young Carers project June 2006 – Oct 07.






1997 – 2005 I ran **Balnacra Pottery**. Producing pottery as well as organising & delivering a comprehensive program of Art & Crafts workshops through out the highlands area.

Manager of the Lochcarron Smithy Heritage centre 2001 - 2005

Community installations, creation of stage sets & murals, design of logos & booklets etc.

Co-organised the 'South West Ross Arts and Crafts Trail' in 2000, with 26 participants.

I have run occasional Therapeutic art sessions with Campanas outreach mental health worker.

<p>Recent projects;</p>   	<p>July-August 2008, various workshops in 'How to Draw Comics', with 6 – 12 yr olds, Lochcarron, Applecross, Torridon.</p> <p>Merkinch arts festival 18th July 2008. Led 'How to draw Manga' workshop for 12 – 18 yr olds.</p> <p>Sunday 20th July. Employed by the BBC, Teaching 13 – 19 yr olds 'How to draw Comics' a mobile studio with the BBC 'BLAST' Tour.</p> <p>Employed by EDEN COURT to teach 'Manga Drawing' to 6-12 & 20 -18 yr olds.25th May 2008.</p> <p>March-April 2008, Recycled Art installation/seating area at Alness Academy, creating functional Art with cement and non-bio-degradable 'rubbish'. Working with groups of up to 30 pupils, co-produced with 2 other artists. Funded by RoWAN.</p> <p>Created short animation film "Who's Afraid?" in 8 weeks for Inverness film festival as part of the Digital Eden project, Oct 2006. Film is being used by University of Norway. Participated in the Highland Printmakers 'Lochcarron Animation project' 2007, produced "The Giant of Lochcarron" short film.</p> <p>August 2007, worked in 4 west coast primary schools to produce banners & murals for the Blas Festival. Textiles & mosaics.</p> <p>May 2006, comic strip artwork published in three UK comics. October 2007, two comic strips completed & published. May 08, short comic strip published in 'Zarjaz' comic. October 2008, comic strip published in 'Something Wicked'</p> <p>November & December 2007; worked for RoWAN co-creating a recycled mural, Santa's grotto & craft items with Young people from the Alness West End Community centre. Lochcarron Primary School to produce recycled material Christmas gifts, Pantomime costumes & scenery. Howard Doris day care centre recycled crafts demonstration.</p>		
<p>What can I do?</p> 	<p>Pottery, comic strip art, drawing & painting, silk painting, animation, papermaking, mosaic, sculpture, recycled crafts, therapeutic crafts, glass painting, rag weaving, dream catchers, clothing & textiles, illustration, handmade books, collage, banners, paper mache, community projects, murals, costume jewellery, design, digital Art, websites, water colours, oils, acrylic, gouache, Printing, button badges, junk art, & generally improvising, adapting, sewing, soldering, gluing, knotting & hammering one thing into an other.</p>		
<p>Qualifications;</p> 	<p>9 x O-grades (8 A's & 1 B) 4 x Highers (2 A's & 2 C's) BA hon's Art & Design (Edin). Ceramics Certificate in person centered counseling skills 60 credit 2nd level OU. Introduction to Psychology.</p> <p>I have attended many training courses as part of continuing personal development with; the Fire and Rescue service, Youth work, running a business etc. More detailed information is available upon request.</p> <p>I have a full UK clean driving license and advanced SCRO disclosures through the Skye & Lochalsh Young Carers Project & through Eden Court Theatre.</p>		
<p>References;</p>	<p>Marjory Jagger, Project manager, Skye & Lochalsh Young Carers Project, Victoria Cottage Hedgefield Road Portree IV51 9GF Tel; 01478613617</p>	<p>Sandy Catto Watch manager Lochcarron Fire Station Tullich Ind Est Strathcarron Ross Shire IV54 8YS</p>	<p>Suzanne Parsons Lochcarron Library. 01520 722 679 Lochcarron.library@highland.co.uk</p>