



Glow Moment

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Freelance art teacher and textile artist.

BRIEF EXPERIENCE I worked as a primary school teacher for over 20 years before taking a change in direction and now work as a freelance art teacher, planning and delivering high quality art sessions for both pupils and teachers in schools across the Tees Valley. I believe that inside everyone is the ability to create, whatever medium they choose and in my workshops one of the aims is to empower people to believe in themselves by creating something they are proud of.

MOTIVATION In the workshops I run I have the privilege of seeing how visual arts can change people's perceptions of themselves, the privilege of seeing the smile on a children's face when they realise they CAN be creative, the privilege of seeing confidence and self-esteem increase when children realise there is no right and wrong and they can achieve something they didn't think they could. I wanted to be part of a project that would enable teachers to see those changes and empower them to be able to exact those changes themselves WOW

Lead Artist Practitioner Jan Barker

MOMENTS Seeing teachers grow in confidence as they team teach with the artists and feedback comments such as "I wouldn't have attempted something like this, it's given me the confidence to take risks" Allison , teacher "I get it; I absolutely get it! I've changed from thinking I don't have time for art to thinking that art can lead the curriculum" Sarah, teacher

Working with an amazing team of artists and schools who have been willing and keen to embrace all we have asked of them. Working with a steering group who are constantly evaluating and reviewing what's happening and finding ways forward whatever comes our way. This website being a great example as we respond to the challenges brought on by the current situation!