Matt Lee

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EDUCATION

2009 - 2011 | MA Visual Arts: Digital Arts, Camberwell College of Arts, University of the Arts London | Distinction

Received a Professional Preparation Masters Award from the Arts & Humanities Research Council

1998 - 2001 BA (Hons) Design: Illustration, Plymouth University | 2:1

EMPLOYMENT

Sept 2023 - Associate Lecturer, BA (Hons) Illustration & Visual Communication, University of Westminster

• Facilitate workshops, undertake group crits, tutorials and contribute to assessment (L4).

Jun 2021 - Associate Lecturer, BA Fine Art Photography, MA Fine Art Digital, University of the Arts London

Facilitate workshops, undertake group crits, tutorials and contribute to assessment (L4).

Mar 2019 - Visiting Tutor, BA (Hons) Illustration programme, Arts University Bournemouth

• Facilitate workshops, tutorials and studio critiques. Contribute to assessment (L4 & L5).

Jun 2018 - Senior Imaging Specialist, BL Qatar Foundation partnership, British Library, London

• Photograph the British Library's collections and manage the imaging studio workflow.

Nov 2021 - Jan 2023 Associate Lecturer, BA (Hons) Illustration/ Graphic Design, Buckinghamshire New University

Led crits, tutorials and contribute to assessment on the Editorial Applications unit (L5),
 Narrative unit (L5) Professional Practice unit (L6) and Integrated Final Major Project (L6).

Sept 2019 - Dec 2021 Tutor, BA (Hons) Illustration programme, Open College of the Arts, Barnsley

• Provided mentorship, formative and summative feedback to distance learning students.

Oct 2011 - Feb 2020 Visiting Lecturer, MA Fine Art Digital (Online), Camberwell College of Arts, UAL, London

• Facilitated online text chat sessions and provided mentorship to postgraduate students.

Jan 2007 - May 2017 Senior Lecturer, Visual Communication Design programme, Srishti Institute, Bengaluru

- Taught foundation, undergraduate and postgraduate courses in illustration, visual communication design, and contemporary art practice.
- · Led innovation design labs and managed client projects with Indian publishers and NGOs.
- Responsibilities: Design and develop course plans, timetables and curriculum, write budgets, provide tutee and colleague mentorship, organise field trips, conduct student and faculty interviews, liaise with clients and industry, write research and funding proposals, end-of-year reports, course reviews, student assessments and references.

Jul 2015 - Aug 2016 Freelance Design Consultant, Deccan Herald, The Printers Mysore Ltd., Bengaluru

- Provided creative direction inputs for the brand and evaluated the design of visual content.
- Presented reports to the editorial board and led the process for hiring senior design talent.

Dec 2014

Curator and Co-organiser, 'The Itinerant Illustrator', Symposium and Exhibition, Illustration Research Network UK, hosted by Srishti Institute of Art, Design & Technology, Bengaluru

- Cocurated an exhibition of 33 international artists and illustrators.
- · Session chair for 'Imaginary Places' discussion panel.

Jul 2013 - Nov 2013 Project Manager, Treasured Islands Book Design Project, Srishti Institute, Bengaluru

- Collaboration between Srishti, ANET, Dakshin and the Department of Education ANI.
- · Worked with 16 undergraduate Visual Communication students to design and illustrate an environmental education teaching resource for government schools in the Andaman Islands.

Jul 2012 - Apr 2013

Founder, The Storybook Lab, Srishti Institute of Art, Design & Technology, Bengaluru

· Worked with undergraduate and postgraduate students to create books and interactive story apps that were written, designed and illustrated specifically for the Indian child reader.

Sept 2011 - Apr 2012 Project Manager, Pratham Books Lab, Srishti Institute of Art, Design & Technology, Bengaluru

- Worked with 21 Diploma Art & Design students to develop innovative forms of low-cost reading material for underprivileged children and Indian government schools.
- Outcome: Delivered viable alternatives to standardised book form that allowed the client to diversify the design and dissemination of good quality reading material across the country.

Jul 2008 - May 2009 Course Coordinator, Foundation Art & Design programme, Srishti Institute, Bengaluru

- Led courses and provided administration for a programme of 120 students.
- Worked with the dean to review and develop the programme's pedagogical framework.

Jan 2004 - Jan 2006 Freelance Illustrator, FT Magazine, The Financial Times, London

• Created over 100 illustrations for Peter Aspden's weekly art and culture column.

SELECTED CLIENTS/ COMMISSIONS

Afar Media | Atelier Works | Bacardi NH7 Weekender | BBC | Beneficial Shock! | BA | British Library Brent Museums & Archives | Cedar Communications | Centaur Publishing | Creative Review | Don't Panic Firewords Magazine | FT Weekend | HSBC | MTV | MullenLowe | Orange | Popshot | Radio Times Shots Magazine | TES | The AOI | The Guardian | The Independent | The Times | Time Out

WORKSHOPS

Apr 2023 Academic Report Writing workshop, BA (Hons) Illustration, Arts University Bournemouth	
Dec 2021 Exquisite Corpse and Online Collections, MA Fine Art Digital, Central Saint Martins, UAL, London	
Oct 2021 Informative Illustration workshop, BA (Hons) Illustration, Arts University Bournemouth	
Mar 2021 Editorial Illustration workshop, BA (Hons) Illustration, Arts University Bournemouth	
Aug 2020 Creativity & AI, online collaborative workshop, Google & British Library, London	
Feb 2020 British Library Cyanotype workshop, MA Fine Art Digital, Camberwell College of Arts, UAL, London	
Oct 2018 Creative Collaboration workshop, BA (Hons) Fine Art, Wimbledon College of Arts, UAL	
Jun 2008 Drawing and Printmaking workshop, Drishya Education Movement, Bengaluru	

• SELECTED LECTURES & ARTIST TALKS

Mar 2021	Professional Practice lecture, BA (Hons) Design: Illustration programme, Arts University Bournemouth
Feb 2021	'Making Watermarks Visible' presentation, 'Thinking Paper' workshop, University of Cambridge
Nov 2019	Professional Practice lecture, MA Fine Art Digital programme, Camberwell College of Arts, UAL
Nov 2019	Blogging & Reflective Practice, MA Fine Art Digital programme, Camberwell College of Arts, UAL
May 2006	Professional Practice lecture, Creative Media programme, London College of Communication, UAL
Dec 2005	Professional Practice lecture, BA (Hons) Design: Illustration programme, Plymouth University

• SEL	ECTED PUBLICATIONS
2024	Featured Book: 'Hiii Illustration 2022', Jiangsu Phoenix Art Publishing House
2023	Featured Book: 'Hiii Illustration 2021', Jiangsu Phoenix Art Publishing House
2022	Featured Book: '3x3 International Illustration Annual No 19', 3x3 Illustration
	Published Text: 'Being Brent: celebrating the rich diversity of the London borough' Art Uk
2021	Featured Book: '3x3 International Illustration Annual No 18', 3x3 Illustration
	Featured Book: 'Hiii Illustration 2019', Jiangsu Phoenix Art Publishing House
	Text Contribution: 'Revelaing Watermarks', Archivoz digital journal
2020	Featured Book: 'Wicked Arts Assignment', Emiel Heijnen, Melissa Bremmer & Astrid Vorstermans, Valiz
	Featured Book: 'Hiii Illustration 2018', Jiangsu Phoenix Art Publishing House
	Published Text: 'Exhibition Review: The World Illustration Awards', #WeAreOCA blog
	Text Contribution: 'Making Watermarks Visible', British Library Digital Scholorship blog
	Published Text: 'Meaning in a Matchbox', Archivoz digital journal
2018	Feature: Issue 7, Into the Void magazine
2016	Feature: 'Fan Mail', September, Mailee Hung, Daily Serving: International Publication for Contemporary Art
	Text Contribution: The Itinerant Illustrator Exhibition', Volume 3, Issue 1, Journal of Illustration
	Interview: June, Lucas Millheim, iF World Design Guide
2015	Feature: 'Home', Winter issue, Please Hold magazine
2013	Interview: November, Jia Khanna, Platform magazine, India Today Group
	Interview: 11th May, Shweta Sharma, The Sunday Guardian
	Feature: '100% Local', Issue 4, 100% Zine
2012	Text Contribution: 'The Curious Case of the Indian Design Student', Issue 12, Kyoorius magazine
	Published Text: 'Nostalgia: Indian Iconography', Issue 10, Design Bureau magazine, Alarm Press
	Published Text: 'India by Design', 8th April, The Indian Express
	Published Text: 'Presence of Absence', February, Tasveer Journal, Tasveer Arts
	Published Text: 'Life in a Matchbox: Happiness is Best Contained', 12th January, The Hindu
2011	Feature: 'Presence of Absence', September, James Cartwright, It's Nice That

2009 | Feature: 'Monograph', December, Creative Review, Centaur Publishing

- Published Text: 'Found Design', September, Design Exchange magazine
- 2008 | Featured Book: 'Basics Illustration 03: Text and Image', Mark Wigan, AVA Publishing
 - Featured Book: 'Fully Booked: Cover Art & Design', R. Klanten & H. Hellige, Gestalten
 - Featured Book: 'The Big Book of Illustration Ideas 2', Roger Walton, Collins Design
- 2007 | Featured Book: 'Illusive 2: Contemporary Illustration and Its Context', R. Klanten & H. Hellige, Gestalten
 - Interview: April 2007, NY Arts magazine
- 2006 | Featured Book: 'Images 30: Best of British Contemporary Illustration', The Association of Illustrators
 - Text Contribution: 'Setting Up A Design Studio', March, Computer Arts magazine, Future Publishing Limited
 - Featured Book: The Art Book 2006, The Society of Artists Agents
- 2005 | Featured Book: 'Images 29: Best of British Contemporary Illustration', The Association of Illustrators
- 2004 | Featured Book: 'Images 28: Best of British Contemporary Illustration', The Association of Illustrators
 - Featured Book: 'The Big Book of Illustration Ideas', Roger Walton, Collins Design
- 2003 | Featured Book: 'Images 27: Best of British Contemporary Illustration', The Association of Illustrators
 - Published Text: 'Telling It Like It Is', May-June, The Journal, The Association of Illustrators
- 2002 | Featured Book: 'Images 26: Best of British Contemporary Illustration', The Association of Illustrators

SELECT EXHIBITIONS

- Mar 2024 | 'War Child presents Secret 7"', Now Gallery, London, UK
- Feb 2024 | 'Seeing the Unseen, Hearing the Unspoken', The John Ruskin Prize, Buoy Store, London, UK
- Jul 2023 | 'Cite', Lea Bridge Library Pavilion, London, UK curated by Vasundhara Sellamuthu
- May Jun 2023 | 'A Basic Unit of Reality', Newark Works, Fringe Arts Bath, Bath, UK curated by Dr Eloise Govier
- Jun 2022 Apr 2023 | 'Being Brent', Brent Museum & Archives, commission supported by ACE and NLHF, London, UK
- May Jun 2022 | 'Wordplay', 44AD Artspace, Fringe Arts Bath, Bath, UK curated by Geoff Dunlop
- Aug 2021 | 'Re:store Re:new Re:imagine', Willesden Gallery, London, UK curated by Nadia Nervo
- Jul Aug 2021 | 'Home', Lacuna Festivals 2021, Online curated by The Lacuna Studios
- May 2021 | 'More or Less Bank', collateral show, Former Swedbank, Gothenburg, Sweden curated by Famous Artist
- Nov 2020 | 'Once Together', P.R.o.M Conference, University of Wyoming, Wyoming, USA
- Nov 2020 | 'Apart but Together', Being Human: Festival of Humanities, Queen Mary University of London, London, UK
- Jun 2020 | 'REALY//REAL', Fringe Arts Bath, Online curated by Toby Rainbird
- Dec 2019 | Hiii Illustration 2018 Exhibition, Nanjing, China
- Nov 2019 Mar 2020 | Wrong Epicentre, The Wrong Biennale, Consorci de Museus de la Comunitat, Valencia, Spain
- Oct Nov 2019 | 51zero, Moving Image and Contemporary Art Festival, Rochester & Canterbury, UK
- Jun Jul 2019 | 'All You Can Eat', Walthamstow Village Window Gallery, London, UK curated by Hero of Switzerland
- May Jun 2019 | 'Size Matters', Fringe Arts Bath, Bath, UK curated by Mark Fearbunce
- May Jun 2019 | 'Streetlight', Roman Susan Art Foundation and Wedge Projects, Chicago, USA
- Nov Dec 2017 | 'Underpinnings', Anna Leonowens Gallery, NSCAD, Halifax, Canada

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Nov - Dec 2017 | 30th Festival Les Instants Vidéo, Friche la Belle de Mai, Marseille, France
Jul 2017 | 'Streetlight', Roman Susan Art Foundation, Chicago, USA
Sept 2016 | Tasmanian International Video Art Festival, Sawtooth ARI Gallery, Launceston, Tasmania, Australia
Jun 2016 | 'The Bangalore Hunt', Venkatappa Art Gallery, Bengaluru, India - curated by Ayisha Abraham
Mar - April 2016 | 'Us, Them & You', Studio Place Arts, Barre, USA
Aug 2014 | 'Tvak', presented by Gallery Shree Arts, Galerie Romain Rolland, Alliance Françoise, Delhi, India
Jul 2012 | 'Scan.It', Gallery 40, Brighton, UK - curated by Gem Barton
May 2012 | 'Action – Reaction', Public Works Gallery, San Francisco, USA - curated by Betty Bigas
Mar 2012 | 'Collections', Fictilis Gallery, Seattle, USA - curated by Timothy Furstnau
May - Sept 2011 | 'Images de l'Inde', Centre Pompidou, Paris, France
Sept 2010 | 'IMygrate', Olio Gallery, presented by Anteism, Victoria, Canada - curated by Ryan Thompson
Nov - Dec 2009 | 'Lumineus Amersfoort', presented by City One Minutes foundation, Amersfoort, Netherlands
Jun 2008 | 'The Square Inch', Thorn Tree Gallery, Tokyo, Japan - curated by Tacaco Matsuoka
Aug 2006 | 'Images 30', presented by The Association of Illustrators, The Old Truman Brewery, London, UK
Apr 2006 | 'Don't Panic', presented by Don't Panic Media, Aram Gallery, London, UK - curated by Joe Wade
Apr 2006 | 'OMP Sketch Mania', P-Gallery SOCO, Osaka, Japan - curated by Tacaco Matsuoka
Jul 2005 | 'Images 29', presented by The Association of Illustrators, Mall Galleries, London, UK
Jun 2005 | 'Moleskine dal Mondo', Galleria Arcivernice, Cagliari, Sardinia - curated by Giorgia Atzeni
Apr 2004 | 'Images 28', presented by The Association of Illustrators, Mall Galleries, London, UK
Apr 2003 | 'Images 27', presented by The Association of Illustrators, Mall Galleries, London, UK
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SELECT SCREENINGS

Jul 2023 'Encounters in Experimental Film', Art Museum, University of Toronto, Toronoto, Canada - cuarated by Nimisha Bhanot with SAVAC
Dec 2019 Open Projections 4, Coventry Cathedral, Coventry, UK
May 2017 Festival Labirinto II, presented by K-Gold Temporary Gallery, Teatro Studio Uno, Rome, Italy
Aug 2016 'Brave New World', presented by K-Gold Temporary Gallery in cooperation with NEON, Lesvos, Greece
Oct 2015 'Drive-by Video', outdoor screening, Bengaluru, India - curated by The Famous Artist Collective
Mar - Aug 2013 'Monitor 9', presented by SAVAC (South Asian Visual Arts Centre) Toronto, Canada Touring: no.w.here, London, Articule, Montreal, AGM, Mississauga, Modern Fuel, Kingston, Canada
Nov 2011 'Mountain Light Box Cinema', BHVU Gallery, London, UK

Apr 2002 | 'Images 26', presented by The Association of Illustrators, Royal College of Art, London, UK

CURATION

Dec 2014 | 'The Itinerant Illustrator', Exhibition, Illustration Research Network UK, hosted by Srishti Institute of Art,
Design & Technology, Bengaluru - curated by Anna Bhushan, Alsion Byrnes, Matt Lee

• COLLECTIONS

- 2020 | Brent Museums Archives, UK 2020 | British Library, UK 2013 | Artlyst, UK
- 2013 | SAVAC (South Asian Visual Arts Centre), Canada 2012 | Museum of Art and Photography, India

AWARDS

- 2023 | Shortlisted Artist, The 6th John Ruskin Prize, UK
- 2023 | Finalist, Publishing category, Hiii Illustration 2022 International Competition, China
- 2022 | Best of the Best, Publishing category, Hiii Illustration 2021 International Competition, China
- 2022 | Merit, Editorial category, 3x3 Illustration, USA
- 2021 | Honourable Mention, Editorial category, 3x3 Illustration, USA
- 2020 | Merit Award, Non-commercial category, Hiii Illustration 2019 International Competition, China
- 2019 | British Library Labs Sta! Award for creativity and innovation, British Library, UK
- 2019 | Finalist, Non-commercial category, Hiii Illustration 2018 International Competition, China
- 2010 2011 | Professional Preparation Masters Award, Arts & Humanities Research Council, UK