

MEET THE ARTISTS

HYDE PARK MURAL MAP



@ joyroonestudio

JOY ROONEY

Joy studies Printed Textiles and Surface Pattern Design at Leeds Arts University. Joy often uses playful colour and symbolism to bring her artwork to life.

“ Public art can be hugely beneficial to areas like Hyde Park, I wanted my design to be fun and celebrate the brightness of the community. ”

@ evhardaker

EMMA HARDAKER

Emma is a visual artist and art facilitator; she uses art as a tool to unite and bring people together. She is best known for her abstract, bold and vibrant murals, representing local history and architecture. Emma has been an active member of the project management team, acting as a creative consultant.



“ Public art is a great way to encourage people to be present and reconnect with the place they live. I have met and chatted with so many local residents who are really excited about this project and have seen first-hand the positive effect it can have. ”

@ niall_unger_illustration

NIALL UNGER

Niall is an undergraduate student at the University of Leeds, studying Graphic Communication Design. Hyde Park has become a second home to him, providing a huge inspiration within his artistic endeavours and daily life.

“ Hyde Park has changed me in more ways than I can count, and it has been incredible to be able to give something fun back to the neighbourhood. ”



@ mayacrossodemudia

MAYA CROSS ODEMUDIA

Maya moved to Leeds three years ago to study Printed Textiles and Surface Design at Leeds Arts University. Throughout university, Maya has developed bold, linear illustration drawing styles, as used within her Hyde Park mural.



“ I use my work to reflect the interactions between people and inspire communities to connect. ”



@ charliembrown

CHARLOTTE BROWN

Charlotte is a graphic designer who lived and worked in Hyde Park while studying at Leeds Beckett University. She often experiments with painting, screen printing and collages to create her abstract artwork.

“ It's wonderful to be involved in this project and relive fond memories of visiting the Picture House and the Brudenell. It's great to create work which celebrates the local area and people. ”



@ femsorcell

FEM SORCELL

Fem Sorcell is a Sheffield based artist who lived in Hyde Park when she studied Textiles and Surface Pattern Design at Leeds Art University. Her style draws you into a dreamlike world, filled with neon pink swirls and splatters.

“ Community art has the ability to brighten peoples' environment and uplift their mood. ”



THE PROJECT

This leaflet documents the 2019 Colour Hyde Park project, created through collaboration with the people, businesses and schools of Hyde Park.

We invite you to use this as a guide to understand more about the murals and to encourage you to take a tour of Hyde Park, the latest destination for community art!

In January 2019 the University of Leeds teamed together with a local artist and the Hyde Park neighbourhood to deliver a community mural project. Murals and street art are a wonderful way to preserve our city's cultural identity and inspire communities to feel ownership and pride for the place they live. We developed this project with local people; providing workshops and activities prior to the murals being painted to ensure the community was involved from the start and that the designs truly resonate with the residents of Hyde Park.

Our project team feels passionately about Hyde Park and creating art that is accessible and representative of the neighbourhood that it visually reflects. In June 2019 we came together to create the murals through workshops, events and painting. The artists for this project were chosen by our community panel, each artist with their own connection to Hyde Park. The designs created reflect the spirit of Hyde Park, incorporating local landmarks with shapes and symbols that celebrate the core culture of the area and the people.

This project would not have been possible without the support and positivity from local residents, councillors and businesses.

The project was funded by the University of Leeds, Leeds Inspired, the Inner North West Community Committee and supported by Leeds Beckett University.

WORKSHOPS



During workshops at Brudenell Primary School, the children shared their own stories and experiences of Hyde Park. Emma and Fem used this as inspiration for their mural designs, presenting Hyde Park from the perspective of the children.

The children created artwork showing places that they have visited, such as the Makkah Mosque and Abu Bakr supermarket. Another popular shape was ice cream, often eaten by the kids out on Woodhouse Moor. The shapes and styles created by the children have been incorporated into Emma and Fem's murals.

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JOY ROONEY

Joy's design incorporates key landmarks and buildings within the neighbourhood. She uses playful colour, block shapes and stylish motifs representing the quirky and diverse community of Hyde Park.



EMMA HARDAKER

Emma's design uses the patterns and shapes created by the children at Brudenell Primary School. She combines bright block colours to create a fun, vibrant design.



NIALL UNGER

Niall's mural has been heavily influenced by the vibrance of the area. The mural incorporates the hubs of Hyde Park; including the Picture House, Brudenell Social Club and LS6 café; whilst also depicting the diverse community.



MAYA CROSS ODEMUDIA

Maya's artwork demonstrates the interaction between people and the area; her mural intends to promote a sense of togetherness and positivity.



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CHARLOTTE BROWN

Charlotte's mural references the local architecture, including the Hyde Park Picture House, Makkah Mosque and Woodhouse Moor. It draws on elements of all these buildings and combines them to make a vivid tapestry of patterns.



FEM SORCELL

Fem's design is inspired by the drawings created by the children at Brudenell Primary School. It reflects the natural beauty of the area using different flowers and leaves that can be found around Hyde Park.



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