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Westmeath

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# Bernadette Nugent

ARTIST - EDUCATOR

## EDUCATION

◆ Joint BaHons in Design and Fine Art with Teaching Qualification: National College of Art and Design, Dublin

◆ QQI Level 5: Cavan Institute

◆ Leaving Certificate, 06/2019 - St Oliver Post Primary - Meath

## Personal Statement

Passionate art teacher committed to fostering inclusive education through a dedication to creativity and the transformative power of art. Grounded in core values of honesty and empathy, I strive to create a classroom where every student feels valued and inspired to express themselves creatively. My goal is to create an environment that celebrates individuality and promotes artistic expression.

## Teaching Experience

### ● Trainee Art teacher, 10/2023 - 12/2023

**St Oliver Post Primary** - Oldcastle, Meath

Taught: Junior and senior cycle, visual studies and practical.

Art, craft, and design strands through; Drawing skills (life and object), pattern design, bookbinding, mono printing, collagraph printing, 3D sculpting, painting, calligraphy, and typography.

- Mentored and supported students in extracurricular art activities, including art clubs, competitions, and portfolio creation.
- Collaborated with colleagues to integrate art into cross-curricular projects, promoting interdisciplinary connections and a holistic learning experience.
- Facilitated and organised art trips for students, fostering an appreciation of both historical and contemporary art and design.
- Developed and implemented engaging lesson plans that catered to diverse learning styles, ensuring a stimulating and inclusive educational environment for both mainstream and SEN (Special Educational Needs) learners.
- Curated and organised student art exhibitions.
- Participated in SLARs, created and corrected student exams, tracking progression.

### ● Trainee Art teacher, 02/2023 - 05/2023

**Loreto College Mullingar** - County Westmeath

Taught: Junior and senior cycle, visual studies and practical.

Art, craft and design through; stop motion animation, calligraphy, lino printing, drawing skills (life and object), painting, portraiture, 3D construction, set design.

- Established positive, professional relationships with students, supporting academic and personal growth.
- Delivered creative and engaging lessons focused on artistic techniques and applications through all strands, fostering student talent across art, craft and design.
- Developed critical, contextual thinking in students for improved art appreciation.
- Facilitated hands-on art projects, fostering a collaborative and interactive classroom atmosphere conducive to experimentation and skill development.

## SKILLS AND QUALITIES

- Time management, punctuality
- Communication & teamwork
- Curriculum development
- ICT proficiency
- Patience & understanding
- Empathy
- Energetic & enthusiastic
- Adaptable

## PERSONAL INTERESTS

- Sustainability
- Art history
- Camogie
- Cooking and culinary arts
- Musicals
- Gardening

## REFEREES

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Mr. Brendan Corcoran,  
Principal, St Oliver Post Primary,  
Oldcastle, Meath  
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Mr. Michéal McCafferty,  
Deputy Principal,  
St Oliver Post Primary,  
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## Work Experience

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● **Sales assistant, Graphic designer**, 10/2021 - 08/2023  
**Wines Direct** - Dublin, Westmeath

- Cultivated and managed relationships with a diverse clientele of customers, including high-profile individuals and businesses.
- Played a key role in organizing and hosting wine-tasting events, contributing to the brand's reputation for excellence in customer engagement.
- Assumed the responsibility of cashing out tills at the end of each shift, reconciling any discrepancies
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams to ensure alignment between marketing goals and design strategies.

## Volunteer Experience

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● **Activities coordinator, carer**, 03/2015 - 12/2017  
**Knightsbridge nursing home** - Trim, Meath

- Developed and executed a diverse range of recreational activities, including arts and crafts, music, group sessions and interactive games tailored to the interests and abilities of elderly residents, fostering a sense of community and enhancing their overall quality of life.
- Established trusting relationships with residents, addressing their emotional and social needs through empathetic communication and companionship.
- Managed the scheduling and coordination of visiting performers, volunteers, and guest speakers, creating enriching experiences for residents.

## Interests & Additional Qualifications

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- **Microsoft Certifications:** Full Microsoft training using Word, PowerPoint and Excel. Would be eager to use this knowledge both in class and outside for presentations and workshops. Eager to become involved in the school's Digital Media Literacy team.
- **Fluency in Adobe Suite and Procreate:** Ability to bring digital skills into the classroom. Can seamlessly integrate digital art into the classroom using Procreate and the Adobe Suite for students.
- **Leading portfolio classes:** Through structured portfolio classes, I can offer personalized advice and technical support to help students create cohesive and compelling collections of their work, preparing them for college applications.
- **Artwork Exhibitions:** Experience displaying art in a variety of professional settings and galleries. Knowledge of how to successfully curate and exhibit work would be something I aim to integrate and promote within your school, and would also give me the ability to aid students with the 'Today's World' section of the Leaving Cert exam paper.