

# Ali Rabjohns

## Textile Artist



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## Personal Profile

Textile artist with specialist skills in natural dyeing, felting, painting, and sustainable practice. Experienced textiles workshop facilitator with a therapeutic approach, leading bespoke creative wellbeing groups and retreats. A particular interest in the richness of cultural diversity and cultural heritage, researching indigenous wisdom. A strong connection to the Q'ero community in the High Andes.

## Employment

- 2022-Present** Associate Therapist for NeuroTribe UK: a diverse team of therapists serving a diverse community
- 2018-Present** Part-Time Transpersonal Arts Counsellor MBACP and Private Practice
- 2010-Present** Private Practice, Complimentary Therapist: specialising in shamanic work
- 2022-2024** Associate Therapist for Compass Homes: working with cared-for children
- 2021-2023** Therapist at Your Space Therapies: working in schools of all ages
- 2019-2022** Transpersonal Arts Counsellor at Mount Camphill Community (Part-Time)
- 2012-2019** Mount Camphill Community: Creative SEN Weaving Tutor, Art, and Cultural Appreciation Tutor, and First Years Tutor for all crafts: felt, basketry, clay, blacksmithing, candle making, cooking, and green woodwork
- 2016-2018** Mount Camphill Community: weavery manager and tutor
- 2008-2012** Friends Centre, Brighton and East Grinstead Mental Health Programme, Felting Workshop Facilitator
- 2012** 'The Wild Star Gathering' Event organiser, fundraiser, and facilitator for a summer educational art project and exhibition trail
- 2005-8** Teaching English as a second language in Primary schools, in Brittany, France using music, art, and drama
- 2004-5** Youtopias, an art project in 4 primary schools 6-11 yrs, East London using willow, papier maché, mosaic, puppets, and sculpture
- 1998 - 2004** Artist in residence and art workshops facilitator in primary schools in London
- 2002-4** Visual Arts facilitator for 5-11 yr olds in city farms, primary schools, and community centres, London. Working with different 3D natural materials including plaster, felt, willow, and re-cycled materials
- 2003** Visual Arts Facilitator at Community Group 'Arts for All ' after school Arts Club
- 2002** Garden Art Workshop facilitator for Bethnal Green Montessori School 3-6yr olds
- 1994-1998** Set Designer and Art Director for Theatre, Film and Television

## Qualifications

**2014-2018** Transpersonal Arts in Therapy (Level 7) at Tobias School of Art and Therapy ( Distinction)

**2010 -2012** PGCE teacher training in the Post Compulsory Sector.

**2003-2004** Certificate in the Therapeutic and Educational Application of the Arts The Institute for Arts in Therapy and Education. Islington, London

**1992 - 1994** Postgraduate in Theatre design at The Slade School of Fine Art (Winner of The Lesley Hurrey Prize for Best Student of The Year)

**1990 -1992** B Tech Higher National Diploma in Theatre Design at Northbrook College. (Distinction)

## Exhibitions

**Nov 2022** [Ditchling Museum, East Sussex, UK](#)

**Sept 2020** [Lewes ArtWave, East Sussex, UK](#)

**May 2017** [North Gallery, East Sussex](#)

**2017** [7th International Wearable Expressions 2017 - Juried Exhibition at Palos Verdes Art Centre USA: wearable art designed for the human body in all media](#)

**Oct 2016** [Pure Exhibition, East Sussex](#)

**July 2016** Elemental Art Group Exhibition at Sussex Prairies 2016: see [Master of Arts in Literature](#)

**Summer 2010 and 2013** [Triennale Internationale des Arts Textiles](#), Moon Rain Centre, Quebec, Canada

**2012** Variegated Threads, [World of Threads Festival](#), a Common Thread International exhibition, Curated by Dawne Rudman and Gareth Bate, Ontario, Canada

**2012** 'The Dream Chamber', outdoor installation as part of exhibition trail at Wild Star Gathering, [Brighton Earthship](#)

**2009 -2012** [Evolution Arts Brighton](#), Artist's Open Houses, (2009 - 2011)

## Training/CPD

- **2021** ECPD94 Families and Beyond: An Introduction to Systemic Thinking
- **2020-2021** Course in Natural Dyeing at Ditchling Museum of Art & Craft
- **2011** Paqo Certificate in Inca medicine - Juan and Ivan Ñunez del Prado Paqo Certificate in Inka medicine - Juan and Ivan Ñunez del Prado: Inka Path 1,2,3
- **2007** Healing the Light Body - Shamanic Training with The Four Winds Society
- **2005** Certified Spiritual Healer with The College of Psychic Studies

## Professional Membership/Publications/Research

- **Membership of the International Feltmakers Association**
- **Accredited Membership of The British Association of Counsellors and Psychotherapists**
- **Membership of the Anthroposophical Art Therapy Association**
- **Membership of The British Art Therapy Association**
- **The Valley of My Ancestors: De Numine Magazine Spring 2024**
- **A Pilgrimage To Authenticity: Connecting Creatively to the Living Cosmos with the Q'ero Tradition: Art Space Journal of Anthroposophic Therapeutic Arts • Feb 2, 2023**
- **Flowering Like A Paqo Kindred Spirit Magazine • Jun 1, 2022**
- **A Pilgrimage To Q'eros Sacred Hoop Magazine • Jun 1, 2021**
- **Felt Matters International Feltmaking Magazine • Mar 1, 2011**