

# NERISSA CARGILL THOMPSON

theatre designer and community arts worker

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## training

BA(Hons) Theatre Design, Nottingham Trent University, 1992-95  
Foundation Diploma in Art & Design, Nottingham Trent University, 1991-92  
Body Noise, Digital Video Project, Contact Theatre, Manchester, 2000.  
Young Directors Scheme, Contact Theatre, Manchester, 1998/99.

## skills

Set and costume design  
Workshop facilitator  
Model making  
Scenic painting  
Prop making: masks, puppets, polystyrene carving, basic woodwork, clay, wire, card etc  
Banners and textiles  
Driving license + own car.

## theatre and film design for youth and community

<u>Year</u>	<u>Show</u>	<u>Director</u>	<u>Company / Venue</u>
2008	Love Platform 1	Tom Hogan Sue Caudle	Burnley Youth Theatre, short film. DIY Theatre Company, Lowry Studio.
2007	Millboys, Chavs & Space Cadets	Ellie While	Activ8, Bolton Lads & Girls Club.
2006	Because You're Worth It The Treasure of Albion High Rise	Tom Hogan Andrew Walkington Tom Hogan	Proud & Loud, Lowry, film/theatre. British Youth Film Project, feature film. Creative Partnerships, live soap opera.
2005	Risk It? Life, Love & STIs.	Tom Hogan	Middleton Sexual Health Project.
2004	What Are You Waiting For? Expectation / Limitation = Life I Want to be a Superhero	Tom Hogan Tom Hogan Michael O'Hara	Proud & Loud, short film. Proud & Loud, Zion Centre, film/theatre Gazebo T.I.E, Special Schools tour.
2002	Ziggurat- The Spiral Way East Side Story	Dinos Aristidou Kate McCoy	Lowry Partners, Quays Theatre. Openshaw Community Theatre/TIPP.
2001	S for Sugar Dream On	Dinos Aristidou Kate McCoy	Wise Monkey, Robert Powell Theatre. Ince Community Theatre Project/TIPP
2000	Airwaves As You Like It Jane Eyre Frame of Mind	Bill Hopkinson Kate Webster Bridget Foreman Pete Smith	MYT, Contact Space1, Manchester. MYT, Contact Space2, Manchester. MYT, Royal Exchange Studio. Activ8, Octagon Theatre, Bolton.
1999	Blood Wedding The Winter's Tale	Bill Hopkinson Janet Amsden	MYT, Royal Exchange Studio. MYT, Library Theatre, Manchester.
1998	Red Devils Trilogy Agamemnon	Emma Gee Bill Hopkinson	MYT, Green Room, Manchester. MYT, Library Theatre, Manchester.
1997	Cabaret Our Country's Good The Nativity The Passion	Bill Hopkinson Kaite O'Reilly Phil Brennan Mike McKrell	MYT, Library Theatre, Manchester. MYT, Library Theatre, Manchester. MYT, Manchester Cathedral. MYT, Manchester Cathedral.

## **costume**

- 2010 "In Other Words", DIY Theatre Company, Salford.
- 2009 "Rhythm & Blues", Theatretrain, Palace Theatre, Manchester.
- 2008 "Cinderella", Back o the Moss Girls Group, Heywood.
- 2006 "Bobbies", TAPP street theatre show, International Youth Games Opening at Bury FC.
- 2005 "Quantified", street theatre project, Activ8/Aqueous Humour.  
Operation TAPP, costumes & props for street theatre project, Bury Met.
- 2003 Oldham Mental Health Project, costume supervisor.
- 2002 "Feast of the Pacific" Parade, Bury Arts Unit, costume designer and maker.
- 1999 "2 Touch", costume supervisor, Touchdown Dance company.

## **painting and sculpture**

- 2008 "Drink, Drugs, Sex & Anger" project, design & construction masks, Aqueous Humour.  
"Into the Woods", prop & set design and construction, Footlights Theatre School.
- 2006 "The Treasure of Albion", British Youth Film Project, feature film.  
"Strange Capers", DIY Theatre Company, touring.
- 2004 Mural Project, Miles Platting Library, Groundwork. (also design)  
"Panzer Bob", Cheshire Youth Film Project, short puppet film.  
Birthday Cake, Opening ceremony, Pittenweem Arts Festival. (also design)
- 2002 Christmas Installations, Pyramid Centre, Warrington. (also design)  
"Choices", Pembroke Halls, Salford Educational Arts Festival. (also design).
- 1998 Guy Fawkes based set for TEC conference, Impact Theatre Company. (also design.)  
"Ghetto", MYT, Library Theatre, Manchester.

## **workshops**

- 2008 Alice in Wonderland Prop & Costume making, Lord St Primary, Horwich. Spark/Activ8 Bolton.  
Monster Masks, Proud & Loud Arts, Salford.  
Americas Day Mask making workshops. All Saints Primary School, Marple.  
Doll making workshops, women of non-British origin, Lanternhouse, Ulverston.
- 2007 Time Capsule workshop, Bolton Lads & Girls Club.  
Mask making workshops, Alpha Plus summer project.
- 2006 Hat making workshops, MAP, Gorton Youth Centre.  
Mask making workshops, Spirit of Langley, Langley & Hollins Community Centres.
- 2004 Design workshops, Mural Project, Miles Platting Library, Groundwork.  
Creative Partnerships Project, Year 7, St Peter's School, Longsight, Walk the Plank.  
Mask Making Workshops, Big Arts Week, Manchester Pupil Referral Unit, Hulme & Gorton.  
Banner Making Workshops, Adults with learning disabilities, The Holiday Project, Warrington.
- 2003 Puppet Making Workshops, Network Arts, Next Stage, Rufford Country Park.  
Costume workshops, Big Arts Week, Chorlton Primary School.
- 2002/3 Theatre Design workshops, 2D>3D exhibition, Sheffield.
- 2002 Art workshops, Hattersley Youth Explosion, TIPP.  
Caribbean costume workshops, 7-17 yr olds, Warrington Borough Council.  
Sculpture workshops, 9-10 yr olds, Teach UK.  
"Disney", "Around the World" + "Out of Africa", workshops for 4-14 yr olds, Teach UK.
- 2001/2 Design workshops for 9-15 yr olds, Clifton Tar Pond Regeneration Project, TIPP.
- 1999 Contact Youth Theatre, 13-14 yr olds, acting/devising. (part of Directors Scheme)

CV with non youth and community work also available

**Referees are available upon request**