



JK Russ

Visual Arts



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JK (Joanne) Russ is an artist originally from New Zealand, now based in Las Vegas, NV. Known for her surreal, hand-constructed collage works where high fashion, high art, and hybrid human/creatures merge, she has created large-scale interactive collage installations at prominent venues including the Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas, Delano Hotel, and UNLV Barrick Museum of Art.

JK has served as an Adjunct Professor at the UNLV College of Fine Arts and has developed collage workshops for diverse organizations such as the Nevada Museum of Art, Nevada Humanities, and Meow Wolf in Santa Fe. She is a member of the Teaching Artist Guild and has facilitated workshops aimed at participants of all ages and abilities, focusing on the importance of creative community-building outcomes.

Her career began in New Zealand where she worked as an editor and graphic designer before obtaining her Bachelor of Visual Arts from the Manukau Institute of Technology in Auckland. Over the past fifteen years, she has concentrated on collage, utilizing recycled materials like found landscape prints, record album covers, and magazines.

JK has designed and led collage workshops for various venues in Las Vegas and has extensive experience in delivering arts programming for both young and senior participants. Her work has included leading workshops for the Sprat intergenerational program and during the pandemic, she adapted to virtual teaching, creating instructional videos for remote participants.

Community Programming

Cute and Creepy Creatures: Collaborative collage project with take home card or mask for participants. Focuses on our connection with our desert creatures. Designed to build a sense of community and creative confidence.

Cut and Color: Creative Collage Visualization: When we visualize our goals and dreams, we become inspired to make them happen.

Fun With Scissors, Glue and Gratitude: individual collage project, designed to explore the art of building gratitude, one cut-out at a time.

Program Types

Workshops, classes and residencies

Language Proficiencies

English

Fees

Contact to inquire

Availability

Contact to inquire

Audiences

Students grades K – 12, young Adult, Adult, seniors, Indigenous youth, individuals in correctional facilities

Venues

Schools, community centers, correctional facilities, Indigenous organizations

Technical requirements

Contact to inquire

Counties

Clark, Esmeralda, Lincoln, Nye

