

# Ichina PARKER

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## CAREER PROFILE

Tertiary qualified in English and Linguistics, with a Graduate Diploma in Early Childhood Education, currently enrolled at ECU to broaden expertise in visual arts. Highly developed tertiary level written communication skills, with highly proficient IT skills.

Extensive experience in the education industry as an early childhood teacher, with a strong understanding of current best practice and early childhood pedagogy. Experience in network level organisation of interschool support, as well as organising annual conference to cater for all staff in the Joondalup network of schools (500+ staff).

Proven communication and collaboration skills which have developed over 14 years of teaching. Experience is inclusive of detailed mandatory reporting, management of resources, strategic planning, mentoring, adult education, communicating tactfully with parents and caregivers, as well as developing and implementing school and network wide initiatives.

Commissioned to provide professional development to those in the education industry for visual arts, and have delivered professional development in-house in the use of digital technology in the classroom, cooperative strategies and visual arts curriculum.

Currently (very slowly) completing a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Visual Arts at ECU Mount Lawley and seeking to pursue a future career in the visual arts sector, exploring themes to do with bodies, identity and place.

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## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Network Executive Officer | Joondalup Learning Community | Dec 2016 – Dec 2019

Teacher and Art Specialist | Heathridge Primary School | Feb 2012 – Dec 2018

Curriculum Leader and Art Specialist | Craigie Childcare Centre | March 2015 – Dec 2017

Teacher | Mullewa District High School | Feb 2008 – Dec 2009

Teacher | Kalumburu Remote Community School | August 2006 – Dec 2007

Private Violin teacher | 2005 - Current

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## EDUCATION

2015 Undergraduate, Bachelor of Arts – Visual Arts – ECU - Ongoing  
2013 Accreditation in Applied Behaviour Analysis  
2005 Graduate Diploma in Early Childhood Studies - ECU  
2004 Bachelor of Arts – Linguistics and English - UWA

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## ART EXHIBITIONS

2022 ArtsHum ECU graduate exhibition – ‘Hard to Swallow’, glass installation (end of this year)  
2022 Joondalup Community Art Exhibition participant – ‘Bodies of Water’, printmaking  
2017 ArtsHum ECU graduate exhibition – ‘Labyrinthine’, artist book (as second year student)  
2016 Joondalup Community Art Exhibition participant – ‘Alan Rickcat’, pastel on paper  
2015 Basement Underground Gallery – Solo Exhibition – ‘Celebrities as Weird Cats’, pastel on paper  
2015 Joondalup Art Gallery – Solo Exhibition – ‘Celebrities as Weird Cats’, pastel on paper