

# SHIFT

## Conversations

# What are they all about?

This is an Easy Read resource about  
the Conversations side of SHIFT



## WHAT ARE THE CONVERSATIONS?



As part of SHIFT, Jennifer decided there was a need for conversations to take place between learning disabled and neurodivergent artists, supported studio staff, gallerists and curators



These conversations would provide learning disabled and neurodivergent artists with a place online to share their views about being creative

They would also be able to share their views about the contemporary art world, and how they think they are seen by others in the art world



Over the years, Jennifer has noticed that this group of artists often have their work hung in learning and education spaces, rather than in actual gallery spaces in museums and galleries

**This needs to change!**



Learning disabled artists also spoke of recognising that their work was seen to have little worth in comparison to art made by non-disabled people



These conversations will look at these issues, and time will be spent trying to find solutions – to provide better outcomes for everyone



By having conversations with curators and gatekeepers (meaning those in charge and those making decisions), Jennifer hopes changes will be made about what artwork is selected to hang in galleries and museums

Jennifer will attempt to get more written about this group of artists, to inform people about them, and challenge ideas people may already have



New conversations will be added regularly to this website

Do come back online to see how it all develops

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