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I am a proactive, committed person with great sense of responsibility and leadership. I am extremely organised, deadlines are not a threatening for me. My practice is intimately related with experimental methods and material research which allows me a more speculative approach to the design process. My presentation skills are good and I feel very comfortable to speak in front of people that I do not know. As an undergraduate I was trained to learn liability, grow as an accomplished, creative and autonomous professional, respect and help my colleagues, creating strong friendships and networks.

Education and Qualifications

BA Hons Contemporary Jewellery

University for the Creative Art, 2011 - Current
Rochester, UK

Tutors: Debra Allman; Lina Peterson;
Pamela Rana; Martin Rivers;
Chris Woodcock

Artistic Jewellery Course

(18/20 – Equivalent to a 1st)

Escola Artística Soares dos Reis, 2008 - 2011
Porto, Portugal

Tutors: Ana Andrade; Liliana Guerreiro;
Fernanda Meireles

Other Qualifications

High-Fired Enamel Workshop (Feb 2011)

Escuela n° 3 de Madrid (Madrid, Spain)

Creative Ceramics Apprenticeship (July 2011)

at Professor Fernando Andrade
studio (Ovar, PT)

Experience and Skills

IT Skills

Word (confident)

PowerPoint (confident)

InDesign (confident)

Illustrator (confident)

Photoshop (intermediate)

Workshop Skills

Mould making for Ceramics,

Silicone and Resin

Sculpting skills in Ceramics,

Resin, and Acrylic

Woodwork and Metalwork skills

Interpersonal Skills

Student Ambassador - UCA Rochester, UK (2013)

Course Representative - UCA Rochester, UK (2012/2013)

Member of Student Union - EASR Porto, PT (2011/2012)

Team Leader in Scouts - Avanca, PT (2004-2008)

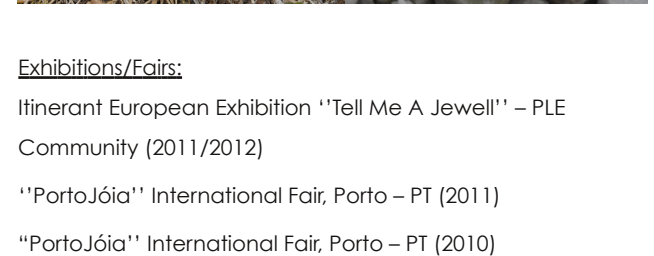
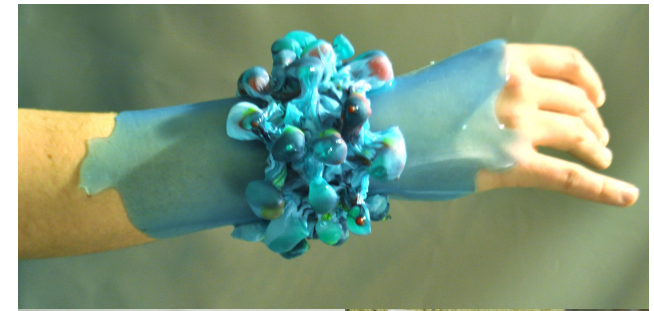
Work Placement

Sessional Lecturer - ESAD Matosinhos, PT (March-April 2013)

Production Trainee - Moldit S.A., PT (March 2013)

Awards - "Rui Alberto Prize for Science" by Nestlé, Avanca - PT (2008)

Shortlisted, "Design Factory" Design Museum, London - UK (2013)



Exhibitions/Fairs:

Itinerant European Exhibition "Tell Me A Jewell" – PLE
Community (2011/2012)

"PortoJóia" International Fair, Porto – PT (2011)

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