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LCCA Careers Development Week

AUTUMN 2026



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STARTS HERE**

**12 - 18
OCTOBER 2026
MON - SUN**

WELCOME TO CAREERS DEVELOPMENT WEEK

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Careers Development Week is your chance to explore what's possible after LCCA.

Taking place across Sceptre Court and The Amp, the week brings together employers, recruiters, alumni and the Careers & Employability Team to help you develop the knowledge, skills and confidence to achieve your career goals.

At LCCA, we know that every student's journey is different. Whether you're exploring career options for the first time, looking for placements or internships, preparing to graduate or thinking about starting your own business, you'll find activities designed to support your next step.

We encourage you to get involved, ask questions and make the most of every opportunity throughout the week.

We look forward to supporting you on your journey.



Nadim Choudhury
Director of Employability & Careers



CAREERS DEVELOPMENT WEEK OVERVIEW

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Careers Development Week (CDW) is a programme of careers-focused events and activities designed to help you prepare for life after LCCA.

Whether you're studying fashion, graphic design, gaming, business management and entrepreneurship or hospitality management and leadership, there's something for you. Throughout the week you'll find a wide range of activities taking place across both campuses. You'll have opportunities to:

- Meet employers, recruiters and active industry professionals
- Connect with LCCA graduates and alumni
- Develop practical employability skills
- Explore career pathways related to your course
- Receive careers advice and CV support
- Build your professional network



Whether you attend one session or several, you'll leave with practical advice, new connections and a clearer understanding of your next steps.



PLAN YOUR WEEK

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Many CDW activities take place alongside your taught sessions, making it easier to get involved.

You'll find a full timetable in the following pages showing session times, locations and speakers. We encourage you to explore activities beyond your course if something catches your interest.

MAKE THE MOST OF CAREERS DEVELOPMENT WEEK

- Attend the sessions recommended for your course and level of study.
- Bring your CV or portfolio if you have one.
- Introduce yourself to employers, speakers and fellow students.
- Ask questions and take advantage of networking opportunities.
- Follow up afterwards by booking a careers appointment.



**EVERY CONVERSATION
COULD HELP YOU DISCOVER
A NEW OPPORTUNITY.**

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FAQS

- 1 Do I need to register to attend Careers Development Week the career sessions?

There is no registration process for Careers Development Week. Your lecturers will bring classes to selected sessions during the week. You are also welcome to attend additional activities that interest you.

- 2 How do I get careers support after the CDW?
You can book a 1:1 in-person or virtual careers appointment with a Careers & Employability Consultant via the LCCA Careers Hub. Email the Careers & Employability Team at careers@lcca.ac.uk

- 3 What happens if there is a train strike and lessons go online?

If any planned tube / rail strikes go ahead, sessions scheduled for those days will move online. Your lecturers will send you a Microsoft Teams links in advance.

We want Careers Development Week to be inclusive and accessible for everyone.

If you require any support or adjustments, please contact the Student Wellbeing team in advance.

Email: disabilityservice@lcca.ac.uk

DAY	COURSE	EVENT TITLE	SPEAKER	LOCATION
TIME: 10:30 - 13:15 (Daily) Drop in to the Career Studio for practical careers advice, including CVs, LinkedIn, jobs, internships and Symplicity.				Careers Studio, 3rd Floor, Sceptre Court
MON 12.10.26 TIME: 13:45 - 14:45	Social Sciences	How Investors Identify and Support High-Growth Businesses	Surakat Kudehinbu, Senior Investment Executive Green Angel Ventures	Auditorium, AMP
MON 12.10.26 TIME: 15:30 - 16:15	All Courses	Employability Workshop: AI and Your Career	Geeta Dhar Manager, Careers & Employability, LCCA	Auditorium, AMP
MON 12.10.26 TIME: 14:00 - 15:00	Graphic Design	Workshop: A Look Into Advertising and Its Hottest Couple: Copy and Design	Afy Rezaei, Senior Copywriter Chris Sharp, Graphic Designer, Chatter Communications.	Garage, Sceptre Court
MON 12.10.26 TIME: 15:00 - 16:00	Graphic Design	Talk: Be More Vandal	David Speed, Graphic Designer and Artist	Garage, Sceptre Court
MON 12.10.26 TIME: 16:30 - 19:30	All Courses	Level Up Your Career - Networking & Insights Into The Games Industry	Nick Poole, CEO, UK Interactive Entertainment	Garage, Sceptre Court
TUE 13.10.26 TIME: 10:00 - 11:30	Fashion	From Fashion Student to Fashion Week	Maximillian Raynor	Auditorium, AMP
TUE 13.10.26 TIME: 14:00 - 15:30	Fashion	Talk: Preparing students for the industry	Daniel Peters, Minority Report	Auditorium, AMP
TUE 13.10.26 TIME: 14:00 - 15:00	All Courses	Employability Workshop: Prepare to Pitch	Tom Smithson, Careers & Employability Consultant, LCCA	Garage, Sceptre Court
WED 14.10.26 TIME: 10:00 - 11:00	Creative	Masterclass: Accounts and Finances for Creatives	Erin Achilleas Walls ACA, Director & Founder, WallsMan Creative	Auditorium, AMP
WED 14.10.26 TIME: 14:00 - 15:00	Games	Creating the Art vs Directing It: Creative Direction and UI in Games	Nene Parsotam, Executive Director & Board Member, Access: VFX	Games Lab, AMP
WED 14.10.26 TIME: 14:00 - 15:30	Creative	Tired of your CV? Make a Zine Instead	Zoë Thompson Zoë Thompson Creative	Auditorium, AMP
WED 14.10.26 TIME: 15:30 - 16:30	All Courses	Interview: Hard Truths and Realities of Entrepreneurship	Harry Leckstein, Director of Industry Engagement, Employability LCCM Harry McDonough, Head of Enterprise LCCA	Garage, Sceptre Court

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THU 15.10.26 TIME: 10:00 - 11:00	Creative	Masterclass: Social Media for the Freelance Creative	Sophie Arinde, Founder & Director, The Kollab Network	Auditorium, AMP
THU 15.10.26 TIME: 13:45 - 14:45	Social Sciences	Talk: Between Tech and Art: A Journey From Data Building Something New	Domenico Gidari, CEO & Founder of Priceyourpainting	Garage, Sceptre Court
THU 15.10.26 TIME: 15:15 - 16:15	All Courses	Talk: Life After LCCA - The Journey	Simona Marra, Graduate Outcomes Manager & Omer Arbel, Interim Alumni Marketing & Engagement Manager LCCA	Garage, Sceptre Court
FRI 16.10.26 TIME: 14:00 - 15:00	Games	Talk: Press Play - The Business of Brand Partnerships in Gaming	Rianne Quintyn-Braithwaite, Assistant Partnerships Manager - Gaming, Miai Brand Partnerships	Games Lab, AMP
FRI 16.10.26 TIME: 14:00 - 15:00	Graphic Design	Ryan Huff: My career in cool music vs corporate work.	Ryan Huff, Graphic Designer	Garage, Sceptre Court
FRI 16.10.26 TIME: 15:00 - 16:00	Graphic Design	Talk: Navigating Your Creative Self	Jael Umaerah-Makeleми, Art Director, Designer and Illustrator	Garage, Sceptre Court
SAT 17.10.26 TIME: 11:30 - 12:45	Social Sciences	Talk: The Journalist Who Built a Business	Mary Isokariari, Founder & CEO, Socially Curious	Garage, Sceptre Court
SAT 17.10.26 TIME: 13:45 - 14:30	All Courses	Employability Workshop: Career Pathways	Geeta Dhar, Manager, Careers & Employability, LCCA	Garage, Sceptre Court
SUN 18.10.26 TIME: 11:30 - 12:45	Social Sciences	Workshop: From Connections to Opportunities – Networking & LinkedIn	Nina Dova, Careers Consultant & LinkedIn Specialist and Katerina Tounta, Careers & Employability LCCA	Garage, Sceptre Court
SUN 18.10.26 TIME: 13:30 - 14:45	Social Sciences	Workshop: Positive Communication in the Workplace	Afrodite Varvitsioti, Workforce & Reward Manager, Operose Health	Garage, Sceptre Court

MEET OUR SPEAKERS

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MON 12 OCT



Surakat Kudehinbu
Senior Investment Executive at Green Angel Ventures, combining engineering and start-up experience to support climate-focused businesses and innovative technologies.



David Speed
London-based aerosol artist known for his signature neon-pink work exploring identity, connection and untold stories. He is also the host of the Creative Rebels podcast and mentors emerging artists.



Afy Rezaei
Award-winning advertising creative and copywriter who has worked with KFC, M&S, Nando's and Royal Mail, creating stories that connect brands with audiences.



Chris Sharp
Leeds-based graphic designer specialising in branding and visual identity, with experience across global brands including ASOS, McLaren, KFC and Footasylum.



Nick Poole OBE
CEO of UKIE with extensive leadership experience across the creative and cultural sectors, specialising in policy, partnerships and public engagement.

TUE 13 OCT



Maximilian Raynor
Emerging British fashion designer known for theatrical collections combining British heritage, humour and experimental craftsmanship. His work has been worn by Lady Gaga and Chappell Roan.



Daniel Peters
Founder of Minority Report Group
specialising in equity, diversity and inclusion across the creative industries. He has worked with brands including HUGO BOSS, ASOS and Fendi.

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WED 14 OCT



Erin Achilleas Walls
Founder and Director of WallsMan Creative, providing specialist financial services for the creative industries. She is a qualified FCA with a strong focus on continuous learning and improvement.



Nene Parsotam
Executive Director at Access: VFX with two decades of creative leadership, championing diversity, emerging talent and greater representation across the creative industries.



Zoë Thompson
London-based zine-maker and facilitator using workshops and editorial design to encourage creative expression. She is also the founder of sweet-thang zine, supporting Black creatives worldwide.



Harry Leckstein
Director of Industry Engagement, Employability & Alumni Relations at LCCM, specialising in education strategy, student engagement and industry partnerships.



Harry McDonough
Head of Enterprise & Entrepreneurship at LCCA, specialising in business incubation, start-up development and supporting founders from start-up to scale-up.

THU 15 OCT



Sophie Arinde
Founder of The Kollab Network, connecting emerging creatives with jobs, training and development opportunities through a community of over 7,000 young creatives.



Domenico Gidari
Data leader with experience at Booking.com, Shell and Just Eat Takeaway.com. He founded Priceyourpainting.com, combining data, AI and art to support emerging artists.



Simone Marra is
Higher education professional specialising in graduate outcomes, student success and data-informed strategy, developing initiatives that support students and strengthen institutional performance.



Omer Arbel
Works in LCCA's Alumni Department, supporting graduates and creating opportunities for alumni to stay connected, engaged and involved with the LCCA community.

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FRI 16 OCT



Rianne Quintyn-Braithwaite is Brand partnerships professional at Miai, specialising in gaming and helping global brands connect with audiences across one of entertainment's fastest-growing industries.



Ryan Huff, is a multidisciplinary creative specialising in design for underground culture. With over 13 years' experience across print, digital and motion, he has worked with brands including Google, Nike and the National Lottery.



Jael Umerah-Makelemi Art Director at Octagon working across sports marketing. She also runs Nubi Collective, an illustration and design studio championing representation and self-expression.

SAT 17 OCT



Mary Isokariari Multimedia journalist with 16+ years' experience at the BBC and ITV. Founder of Socially Curious, specialising in social media strategy and AI training.

SUN 18 OCT



Nina Dova Careers Education Lecturer and LinkedIn specialist with 11+ years' experience, specialising in personal branding, career positioning and professional visibility.



Afrodite Varvitsioti International recruitment specialist with experience across Europe, the Middle East and Asia Pacific, focusing on global hiring, recruitment strategy and candidate experience.

CAREERS SUPPORT AT LCCA

Our Enterprise Hub supports students and alumni to explore ideas, start and grow businesses, and turn creative ambitions into opportunities. From mentoring and coaching to business planning, pitching, funding and investment readiness, we provide practical support to help you move your ideas forward.

Where to find the Careers & Employability Team

Business & Hospitality: Careers:

Studio, 3rd Floor, Sceptre Court, 40 Tower Hill, London EC3N 4DX

Fashion, Gaming and Graphic Design: 5th Floor, The Amp 41–71 Commercial Road, London E1 1LA

You can access the Careers & Employability services in the following ways

- The LCCA Careers Hub is where you can also book 1:1 career appointments with a Careers & Employability Consultant.
- To login to the LCCA Careers Hub: Canvas > Student Support Hub > Careers & Employability > LCCA Careers Hub

Email the Careers & Employability Team at careers@lcca.ac.uk

CDW is just one part of the support available to you throughout your time at LCCA. Our Careers & Employability Team can offer:

- Careers advice and guidance
- CV, portfolio and LinkedIn reviews
- Internships, placements and graduate opportunities
- Workshops and employability skills
- Enterprise support
- Networking events
- Career planning from Foundation through graduation
- *Accelerate Your Career*, LCCA's micro credential programme
- Access to careers support for up to three years after graduation

Scan the QR Code below to register for and log into the LCCA Careers Hub



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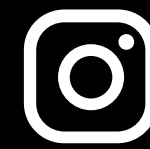
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THANK YOU AND STAY CONNECTED

Thank you for taking part in Careers Development Week. We hope this week has given you new ideas, valuable insights and the confidence to take your next steps.



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