

# POPPY LEVISON

I am a third year undergraduate on the BA(hons) Architecture course at Central Saint Martins and Part 1 Architectural Assistant at DSDHA. My lived experience as a blind woman gives me a particular interest and expertise in the politics of inclusive design and architecture's tendency to fixate on the visual.

## Work

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**October 2022 - Dis/Ordinary Architecture x Re-fabricate - Seats at the Table for London Festival of Architecture\***

I am part of a team of Dis/Ordinary Architecture and Re-fabricate, who won the London Festival of Architecture's, Co-designing Equity in the Public Realm competition. We will be carrying out co-design workshops, fabricating and building an installation in the City of London, June 2023.

**August 2022 B-made Technician and Tutor - The Bartlett School of Architecture**

Working as a workshop technician and tutor on the Architecture Beyond Sight summer school, for blind and visually impaired people, run by Dis/Ordinary Architecture. The course helps introduce the students to architecture, develop a creative practice and fabrication skills.

**July 2022 - DSDHA - Part 1 Architectural Assistant**

I have worked across a broad range of projects from a large commercial development to public realm improvements mainly in the early RIBA stages, including several acquisitions. I am also leading a Design Think Tank at the London School of Architecture on behalf of DSDHA.

**March 2022 - UX Accessibility Testing - Freelance**

**March 2020 - University of the Arts London - Student Ambassador**

**2018-2022 The American Museum in Britain - Sales Assistant**

## Speaking

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**November 2022 London Build Expo - Attracting & Retaining Diverse & Disabled Talent\***

**October 2022 The Architectural Association - New Standards: Senses\***

**2022 Beyond the Visual: Non-Sighted Modes of Engaging Art\***

**December 2021 UCL The Bartlett - Inclusive Spaces: Crippling Educational spaces\***

**October 2019 Walmer Yard - The Lesser Senses**

## Media

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- January 2023** **The Bartlett Review** - Opening Up Architecture Beyond Sight (podcast)\*
- November 2022** **Architects Journal** - LFA Names Square Mile and East London Pop-ups Competition (article)\*
- August 2022** **BBC Radio 4** - In Touch: Wine and Architecture Courses (radio programme)\*
- November 2020** **Architects Journal** - Is disability architecture's final taboo? (article)\*
- October 2019** **VocalEyes** - Exploring Architecture with Audio Description: Open House London 2019 with VocalEyes (article)\*
- September 2019** **The Guardian** - Can Blind People Make Great Architects? (article)\*

## Voluntary

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- 2021-2022** **Disabled Intersectional Voices in the Arts (DIVA) (UAL)**  
**Disabled Students Rights/Political Coordinator**
- 2019-2022** **AS:CSM (UAL) - Connector (2019/20), Vice-president (2020/2022)\***
- 2019-2022** **London Architecture Schools Collective (LASC) School Representative, Peer Review Organiser and Facilitator\***

## Education

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- 2019 -** **University of the Arts London - BA(hons) Architecture**
- August 2019** **UCL The Bartlett - Architecture Beyond Sight (short course)**
- 2018/19** **Bath College - UAL Level 4 Foundation Art and Design Diploma**
- 2018** **Ralph Allen School - Geography, Photography and Maths A-levels 2018, 10 GCSEs 2016**