

■ ILLUSTRATION 2: RESPONDING TO A BRIEF

I ILLUSTRATION 1 : KEY STEPS

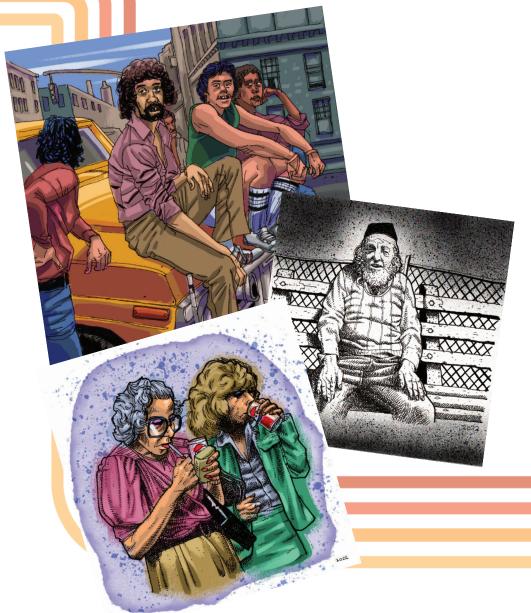
ILLUSTRATION: SKETCHBOOKS

I ILLUSTRATION: PRINTMAKING

ILLUSTRATION 2

Level 2 on the illustration journey so far, and i've reached Illustration 2 : Responding to a brief, this zine project is the final assignment of the section.

This particular portion of the zine project covers highlights or rather favourite parts which lenjoyed most from The practice of illustration up to the present.



DRAW, DRAW AND DRAW AGAIN



Here, the idea was to take a previous sketch or drawing then reproduce in a simplified form, with each iteration becoming slightly more abstracted into just line work, and culiminating in a study from memory based on the the original image. Each version is clearly different yet similar enough to impart relevant information from the original drawing.



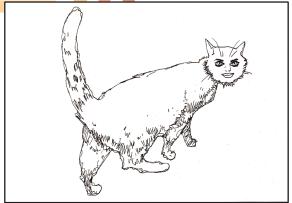




MIXING AND MATCHING

Mixing and Matching took a range of images based around the theme of Hybrid and went through a process of analogue creation, then to digital, then back again.

This was a fun project and I ended up with several quirky results!







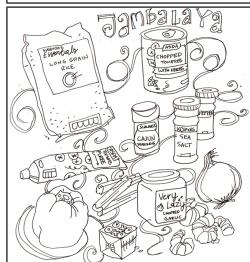


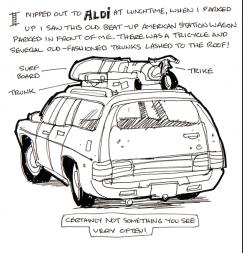


DRAWING ON THE FAMILIAR









Drawing on the familiar was an exercise in recording a familiar space using images and dialogue, so a loose narrative task really, using just a sketch book, I took a few studies over a few days and made quick notes to recap what was occurring at the time.

These add up to quite interesting snapshots of daily incidents and junctures which may seem quite mundane on the surface, but the addition of what content to include and what to omit, along with descriptive text can turn them into curious and often more interesting insights.

GENERATING CONTENT



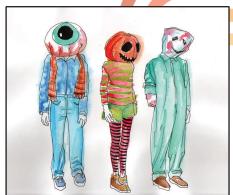
Drawing on location offered an interesting excuse to take a sketch book along to the famous Whitby Goth festival. This occurs twice a year and the Autumnal event is generally the better of the two, the earlier one being around easter when the weather can be unpredictable.

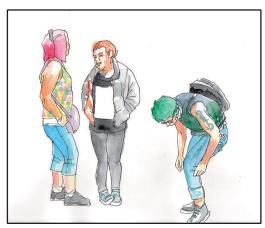
The later event sees the streets teeming with fantastic fashions and characters from every Goth sub culture such as cybergoth, Steampunk etc. The event is always a huge draw for photographers, although I didn't see any other artists hanging around on corners sketching! I later embellished a few of these sketches with ink and highlighter pen.

EVERYDAY FASHION

Not too dissimilar to the previous exercise, here the task was to draw a range of different people in different clothing. Any excuse to draw people!







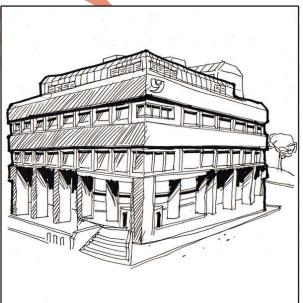






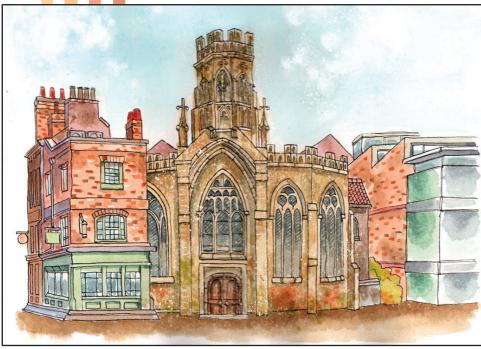
ARCHITECTURAL ILLUSTRATION

I enjoy sketching buildings second only to drawing people so this was a nice exercise. These studies were drawn from Leeds and York.









ONCE UPON A TIME



Once upon a time, there was a little girl who lived in a village near the forest. Whenever she went out, the little girl wore a red riding cloak, so everyone in the village called her Little Red Riding Hood.



"Remember, go straight to Grandmas house", her mother cautioned. But when when Little Red Riding Hood noticed some lovely flowers in the woods, she forgot her promise to her mother. She picked a few, watched the butterflies flit about for a while, and then picked a few more.

Little Red Riding Hood was enjoying the warm summer day so much, that she didnt notice a dark shadow approaching out of the forest behind her...



Then she realized how late she was and quickly excused herself, rushing down the path to her grandmas house,

The wolf, in the meantime, took a shortcut...



The wolf, a little out of breath from running, arrived at Grandmas house and knocked lightly at the door.

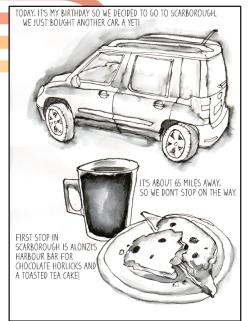
"Come in dear, come in!", said Grandma, thinking that the knock on the door was her Granddaughter.

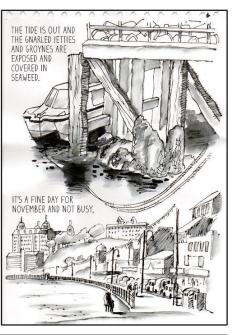
The wolf let himself in Poor Granny did not have time to say another word before the wolf gobbled her up!

In this exercise, the aim was to produce a series of black and white illustrations in response to a popular fairy story or folk tale. I chose Red Riding Hood, an ever popular tale. I almost picked Hansel & Gretel instead!

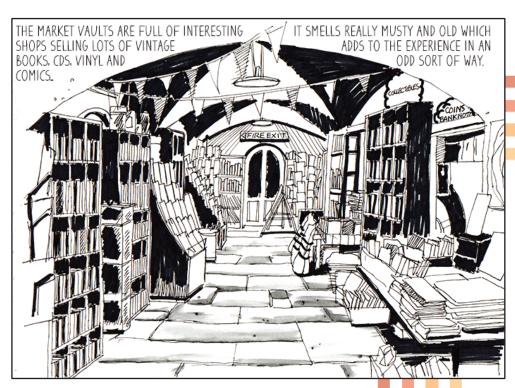
THERE AND BACK AGAIN

The aim here was to document a journey using a sketchbook and as we recently replaced our family car, it seemed fitting that the day out would be the subject.







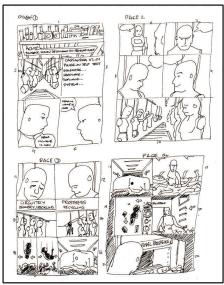




GIRL MEETS BOY

This was a particular favourite, as I got to create a comic strip. The result ended up far more involved than it probably needed to be, but I was getting so pulled in by trying out different things that I turned into a more finished strip than I intended..

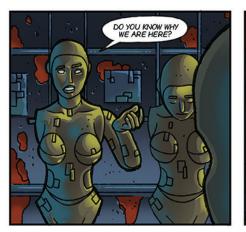




I began with a script in a kind of short hand which loosely broke down the narrative and flow to some degree, then created rough panel layout to see how the flow actually worked when illustrated.

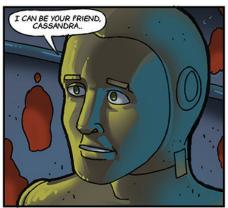














ANIMAL FARM

here, the aim was to create an Anthropomorphic character. As an inspiration, I chose one of our cats Salem, a mischievous Selkirk Rex who does everything on her own terms, is very intelligent and fun loving.





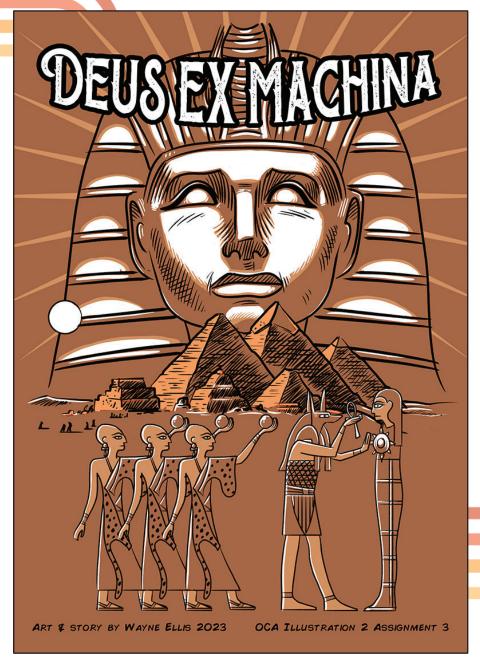


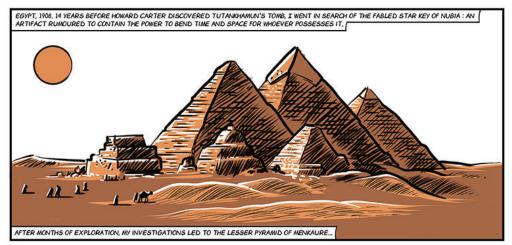




ASSIGNMENT 3: A GRAPHIC SHORT STORY

This assignment was similar to boy meets girl in that the aim was to produce a short graphic story. Here, I went with a rather ridiculous tale based in Egypt in the days just before the discovery of King Tut's tomb.





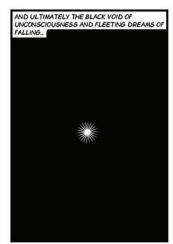












CARICATURE AND CHARACTER

In this exercise, the task was to produce a caricature of a celebrity or personality: someone with a public or on screen persona who perhaps has a bit of a reputation. For this one, I chose Philomena Cunk, the alter ego of comedienne and writer Diane Morgan.

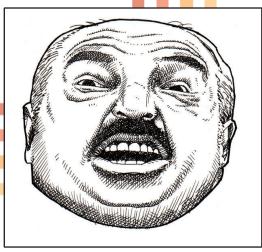


WORLD AFFAIRS

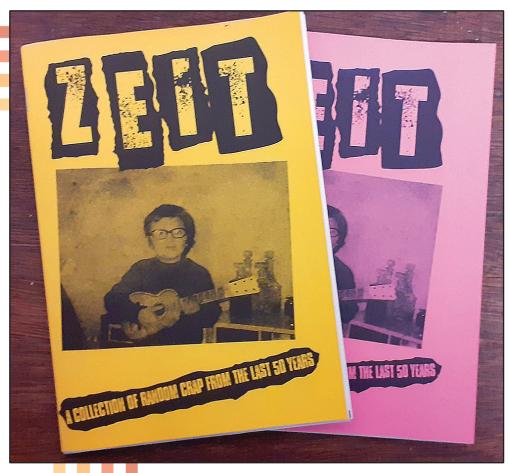


This exercise required a contemporary news event illustration implementing satire as it's focus. I chose the ongoing power struggle between eastern and western superpowers, and the conflict in Ukraine. This was a challenging one to complete, not least because it has five caricatures in there which were a challenge alone.





SELF PUBLISHING



In this exercise, the aim was to develop a small self-published book based on an idea from your sketchbooks. I've never done a Zine before and this was fun to do. I tied everything together loosely on a theme of ramblings mostly with some sketches interspersed based on things or themes I'm particularly drawn to.



PIXELLATED IMAGES

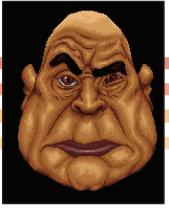
In this exercise, the aim was to produce a series of illustrations that explored my own relationship to digital technologies. Pixel art is something I've had a long affinity with, stretching as far back as my school days when I had my first home computer.













STREET ART





In this exercise, the aim was to produce an idea for a piece of Street Art. I was greatly inspired by what I had recorded in the research point for this and I've always liked old school Graffiti and how pervasive it's become in popular culture.

CONTEMPORARY CERAMICS

With this exercise, the brief was to create a range of illustrations for contemporary ceramics that draws on the visual history and symbolism of pottery in some way. I chose to go with a MesoAmerican/Mayan theme for this exercise.



