# HELOA

AGM and Annual Conference 2023





# Welcome to Conference

Welcome friends (locally 'Alreet Marras') to Newcastle

It is a huge pleasure to welcome you to conference 2023 & to the city that made a workingclass wannabe chef into a first in family graduate, sociologist, and eventually HELOA superfan. That's just one of the little stories that you will hear over the next few days as we learn, listen and share experiences with each other.

This year has an incredible line up of speakers and sessions for you. My advice is get involved with as much of it as possible. Take your time to relax and reflect on the days as they come (they will fly by). The best of conference usually happens when you don't expect it; the chats over dinner, the stories during coffee breaks and the incredible moves witnessed during the disco.

I'll not shy away from the fact that this year has been a challenge as we have faced physical delivery returning, huge numbers of schools and colleges requesting support to help inform students, revisions to APPs, not to mention a chaotic political landscape.

Facing all of these though have been your fellow HELOA members, and we are at our largest numbers ever, 1700+ making up our incredible support network. Alongside your group meetings, conference is a great place to engage with members from across the UK. Over the next few days I hope you find inspiration, meet new friends, and get plenty of ideas to fuel you through 2023. It's here and now that the smallest of ideas can grow into amazing projects.

Yours in collaboration

Jonny Atkinson **UK** Chair







Welcome along to the HELOA Annual General Meeting 2023. There's lots more information on our webpages that will give you more support on what will be happening during the meeting and how you can get involved.

The 2023 AGM will be a hybrid AGM and for both physical and virtual attendees. The voting process will be via Mi-Voice, an online voting proxies should receive an email from Mi-Voice details and a single-use link to join the voting site which can be accessed through a browser. More information on the primary contact and nominated proxy is included on our webpages

assistance with the online voting site, please contact Mi-Voice at support@mi-voice.com or

# **Further Details**

Use the QR code for further details or head to the HELOA welcome desk where a member of the team will help.



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# Conference Programme

### Workshops Details

For more details about the workshops and their locations, follow the link in this QR code.



# Wednesday 11th January

11:00	Registration opens Bags can be left with the hotel to be collected after check in at 5.15pm
11:30	Lunch The buffet lunch will be open from 11.30 for you to have lunch and network once you arrive at the conference
13:00	Conference opens
13:15	KEYNOTE Where are we heading with access and participation? Dr Kate Wicklow, GuildHE
14:00	What works for you? An interactive session involving thematic round table discussion
15:00	Refreshment break
15:15	HELOA AGM All HELOA delegates are expected to attend the AGM
15:30	Associate members session
17:15	Check in and down time
18:30	Asian buffet Served in the main dining room, come down at a time that suits you before the evening entertainment
20:00	Evening entertainment including the HELOA annual quiz

## Thursday 12th January

7:00 - 9:00	Breakfast opens for full delegates Full delegates can use the leisure facilities from 6.30am
8:30	Arrival and registration for day delegates
9:00	Conference opens
9:15	HELOA Best Practice Awards finalist presentations Voting for awards must be complete by 3.45pm via the online form. One vote per institution
10:00	Workshop 1
11:00	Refreshment break & business exhibition With opportunity to liaise with HELOA Partners, sponsors and visit Best Practice Awards showcases
12:00	Networking lunch Further opportunity to liaise with Sponsors and visit Innovation and Best Practice Awards showcases
13:00	Workshop 2
14:00	Refreshment break With opportunity to liaise with HELOA Partners, sponsors and visit Best Practice Awards showcases
14:15	Workshop 3
15:30	HELOA Group catch up See website for relevant rooms
16:15	Wellness hour Sponsored by UK Uni Search
17:15	Downtime Leisure facilities will be available for full delegates
19.00	Awards and gala dinner The evening starts with a drinks reception sponsored by Unifrog. We ask that all delegates are seated by 7:30 for the awards presentation to start. The awards and gala dinner will be followed by a disco

## Friday 13th January

7:00 - 9:00	Breakfast opens for full delegates Full delegates can also use the leisure facilities from 7am
9:00	Arrival and registration for day
by 9:15	Check out for delegates Bags can be left with the Hotel until conference close
9:30	Workshop 4
10:30	Refreshment break
10:45	Workshop 5
11:45	Refreshment break
12:00	Conference takeaways
12:30	KEYNOTE - What do graduates do? Dr Charlie Ball, Luminate Prospects
13:15	Conference close
13:30	Networking lunch or grab & go sandwich available



# **Business Exhibition**

Thanks to all our sponsors and partners for joining us at this year's Business Exhibition. You can see the logos of exhibitors below and use the QR code below to find out more about them.





















# **Tips for Conference**

Here in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, there are plenty of sessions to take advantage of over the coming days. Here are a few tips from past delegates to help you make the most of your time here with HELOA.

- Sit with people you don't know make sure to meet new people!
- Keep your lanyard on, there are plenty of faces to remember
- Look out for your Group committee there will be some friendly faces
- Make the most of the sessions there are real experts here from across the sector, don't miss your chance to ask a question!
- Get the most out of the AGM it's a great chance to find out more about HELOA and how it works

Not sure on anything? Use the QR code below to head to our FAQ page or head to the welcome desk where a member of the HELOA team will be on hand.

#### **Exhibitors Details**

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# **Commendations**

Each year HELOA asks to receive commendations for individuals who imbue the spirit of the organisation from its membership. It is due to the commitment and passion from our members that we can support students to make informed choices, share best practice and support the development of group and national activity.

This year you will find all those nominated to receive a commendation on our website with more information about their work within the sector.

Congratulations to all of this year's nominees.

Awards

The HELOA Best Practice Awards are a fantastic opportunity to celebrate best practice across the sector, in a number of different areas, and celebrate the amazing work that has been taking place.

We will be celebrating examples of best practice across the sector. This could be in any aspect of higher education liaison work across our three categories:

Best Practice
Access, Outreach and
Recruitment Award
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Best Practice Marketing and Communications Award

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Best Practice Collaboration Award Sponsored by



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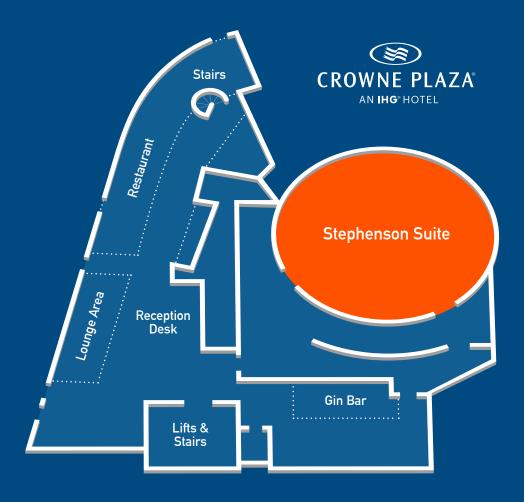
#### **About the Nominees**

To see the nominees and more about their work, follow the link in this QR code.

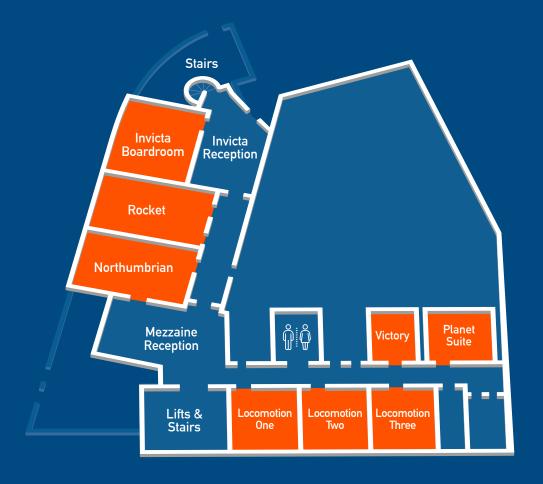




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