



CLAUDIA AFRANIE (FRIDAY)

She/Her

½ of the Future Bubblers team, Singer-songwriter, DJ and Host. Claudia co-runs Future Bubblers Academy which is a talent discovery and mentor project at Brownswood Recordings. Outside of work Claudia is an RnB lover and advocate, and she showcases her love on her radio shows on Rinse FM, The Boat Pod & Voices. In her hosting & DJing abilities she has honed the stage for Tommy Hilfiger, The Jazz Cafe, The Pickle Factory, and most recently KOKO Camden.

Talk to Claudia about radio and best practices for emerging artists.



IBZ OR IBRAHIM ABBA-GANA (FRIDAY & SATURDAY)

He/Him

Ibz (Lord Tusk) is a London-based multidisciplinary artist and cultural producer. With a strong background in music production and performance, Ibz has collaborated with established artists, toured globally, and contributed to numerous films, documentaries, fashion shows and ads. Currently, their focus is on filmmaking, where they address and reshape perceptions of racism, black masculinities, class, and injustice. Ibz has participated in debates and panels at prestigious venues such as Tate Modern, Serpentine Gallery and Brooklyn Museum.

Talk to Ibz about the path to becoming a multidisciplinary artist, discovering wealth through purpose, avoiding stereotypes, seeking enlightenment and mastering the art of completion.



NATE AGBETU (FRIDAY)

He/Him

Nate is a Curator, Strategist and Educator who builds projects exploring the relationship between culture and innovation through brands and institutions.

Talk to Nate about developing ideas and honing in your research skills.

MEET YOUR MENTOR



JASON BARON (FRIDAY & SATURDAY)

He/Him

Recently Photography and Visuals Lead at Comic Relief, Jason was Head of Creative Photography at the BBC for many years. He also runs his own creative consultancy spanning shoot production, mentoring, creative direction, curation, portfolio reviews, competition judging and business development.

Talk to Jason about how to figure out what direction you want to take in your career, and how to present and pitch yourself whilst staying authentic and true to yourself.



JEFFREY OYINLOLA (FRIDAY & SATURDAY)

He/Him

Director & Founder of Pick Up The Mic.

Talk to Jeffrey about harnessing the power of storytelling and diverse voices to create impactful change.



JACOB V JOYCE (SATURDAY)

They/Them

Jacob V Joyce is a multidisciplinary artist whose practice amplifies historical and nourishes new queer and anti-colonial narratives. Their work is continually grounded by collaborations and conversations with activists, community groups and archives. Joyce has self-published several zines and illustrated international human rights campaigns for Out Proud African LGBTI, Amnesty International, Global Justice Now and had their comics in national newspapers.

Talk to Jacob about queer and anti-colonial arts practice.



IMANI MASON JORDAN (FRIDAY)

They/Them

Imani Mason Jordan is an interdisciplinary writer, artist, editor & curator interested in poetics & performance.

Talk to IMJ about curating exhibitions, live performance, & developing a consistent writing practice.



RABZ LANSIQUOT (FRIDAY & SATURDAY)

They/She

Rabz Lansiquot is a filmmaker, programmer, curator, DJ, and is one half of the artistic & curatorial duo Languid Hands alongside Imani Mason Jordan. In 2023, they curated *Across-Over-Beyond*, a group exhibition showcasing the work of 20 trans* artists at SS65, London, as part of the extended programme for Fringe Queer Film & Arts Festival. Rabz is also co-founder of South London dyke night WET, and has had a monthly show on Balamii Radio since 2017.

Talk to Rabz about harnessing the power of storytelling and diverse voices to create impactful change.



LEILA DEAR (FRIDAY & SATURDAY)

She/Her

Visual artist, educator and Somerset House Studios Artist Resident.

Talk to Leila about sustaining your practice and accessing support in the arts ecosystem.



SELASSIE TEVIE (SATURDAY)

He/Him

Selassie is Project Manager, A&R, Label Manager and DJ with years of experience working within the music industry. Selassie Co-Runs Future Bubblers Academy, a talent discovery and mentor project at Brownswood Recordings. He is also an A&R Manager at Brownswood Recordings. He has his own label called Pattern Sounds, DJs under the moniker SelassieTBC and does a radio show on NTS Radio.

Talk to Selassie about getting a project together or radio.



SOPHIA HINTON-LEVER (FRIDAY & SATURDAY)

She/Her

Sophia Hinton-Lever is a doctoral researcher, curator, writer and producer. Her doctoral research investigates the complex relationship between female artists and the contemporary art industry. Alongside her research, Sophia is a creative producer and has produced large scale projects for major organisations including Culture Liverpool, Somerset House Trust and Almeida Theatre. Within all her projects, she holds a specific interest in opening access to the art sector for marginalised groups through sustained community engagement.

Talk to Sophia about how to manage different part time roles and mental health in creative freelancing.



TORI WEST (SATURDAY)

She/Her

Founder of BRICKS Magazine, The Learner Platform and freelance content creator.

Talk to Tori about navigating the creative industry as a marginalised creator, carving your own path against all odds and how to take your side hustle to full-time.