



## iJADE International Conference, Chester

### International conference of Art and Design Educators

In November 2015 I attended the *iJade International Conference*. *iJade* is the International Journal of Art and Design Education. The Principal Editor, Professor Jeff Adams, was an M.A. tutor of mine.

The conference was intense and overwhelming in the best of all possible ways. I listened to many lectures, each researcher bringing forth new knowledge and discoveries to challenge and inform us. In between lectures, conversations with colleagues flowed; we were all connecting our experiences to the stream of information that was coming through.

The final Key Note was given by Susan Coles, the then-President of NSEAD (National Society of Education in Art and Design). Her speech was rousing, challenging, comforting and funny.

It was such an encouragement to be introduced to an international world of art and design teachers who are so on fire for their subject and all it can bring to the world of education.

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