

Lesley Millar, professor textile art, Speaker "*Inside/outside: textile art and art education*"

Lesley Millar is Professor of Textile Culture and Director of the Anglo-Japanese Textile Research Centre at the University for the Creative Arts. She is an exhibition curator specialising in textiles and has been project director for 7 major international touring exhibitions: 'Revelation' (1996-98), 'Textural Space' (2001), 'Through the Surface' (2003-05), '21:21 – the textile vision of Reiko Sudo and NUNO' (2005-7), 'Cloth & Culture NOW' (2008), 'Cultex: textiles as a cross-cultural language' (2009-11) and 'Lost in Lace' (2011-12.) She is currently leading an EU project 'Transparent Boundaries' (2012-13) with partner organisations in Denmark, Greece and Italy. In 2008 she received the Japan Society Award for significant contribution to Anglo-Japanese relationships and in 2011 was appointed MBE for her contribution to Higher Education.