



DIANE BERNIER

CIRCUS ARTIST, TEACHER &
FACILITATOR

PROFILE

I am a circus and burlesque artist (juggling, aerial hoop & silks) with a strong inclination for comedy and word play. I teach and facilitate circus activities with kids and adults and have designed my own circus workshops.

TRAINING

2025 **CLOWNING AND PHYSICAL COMEDY** with **Sean Croft**, London

2024 **CIRCUS THROUGH CLOWNING** with **Jon Davidson**, London

2024 **MY AERIAL HOME**, London
• 4-week professional aerial intensive course
• Aerial Teacher training course

2023 **THE CHEEK OF IT!** (Burlesque school), London
Spotlight course: creation of a juggling burlesque act

2020-
2022 **CIRCOMEDIA**, Bristol
Vocational course in Contemporary Circus and Physical Theatre
• Specialisations: aerial and manipulation
• Training in street theatre, stand-up comedy, creative movement, handstands, burlesque...

PERFORMANCES

2021 -
Current **SUPER DROPPER**
• **Cabaret Fantastique** of Marcel Lucont, **The Crazy Coqs**, London
• **Lambeth Fringe**, **Club Silly**, London
• **Broxford** Juggling Convention, Oxford
• **Brainfools** Scratch night, **Jacksons Lane**, London
• **Volt** Scratch night, Circus City, **Circomedia**, Bristol

2023 **JUGGLING BURLESQUE ACT**
• **Infinitease**, **The Gunnersbury**, London
• **Dr Sketchy** (Life drawing Cabaret), **Toulouse Lautrec**, London
• **Bella Whispers Cabaret** Scratch night, **The Glitch**, London
• **The Cheek of It!** (graduation show), **The Bedford**, London

2022 **CIRCUS CAFE, WALKABOUT & AERIAL HOOP ACT**
• **Cirque Bijou**, **Camp Bestival**, Dorset & Shropshire

2021 **CONCEPTUAL CIRCUS: AN EXHIBITION IN THREE ACTS**
• A show by Viola Bruni, **Circomedia**, Bristol

2021 **DOMINO**, **Circomedia**, Bristol

2021 **STREET THEATRE SHOW** and **PARADE**, Hanham, Bristol

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OTHER SKILLS

- Recreational Programme Manager at the **National Centre for Circus Arts**
- 13-year experience in administration, sales, coordination
- Massage Therapist
- French (native speaker), Spanish
- **Enhanced DBS check**
- Driving Licence
- First Aid at Work

INTERESTS

- Ballet, contemporary dance
- Holistic therapies and wellbeing
- Dementia (Level 2 in Principles of Dementia Care)
- Sustainability
- Sewing

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TEACHING & FACILITATING

2024 - Current	NATIONAL CENTRE FOR CIRCUS ARTS , London Circus Arts Teacher • Regular Aerial Silks Teacher (Adult Beginners) • Regular Circus for 50+ teacher • Outreach & Corporate workshop teacher • Cover teacher
2025 - Current	BRAINFOOLS , London Circus Workshop Facilitator • Outreach event • Life Lift, workshops for 55+ at Hoxton Hall, London
2023 - 2025	GREEN SHOES ARTS , Romford Creative Workshop Facilitator • Planned and led 6 circus sessions (juggling/manipulation, clowning...) to adults living with mental health issues • Planned and led one-off circus sessions with young people
2023 - 2024	NATIONAL CENTRE FOR CIRCUS ARTS , London Circus Arts Teaching Assistant
2023 - 2024	UPSWING, Homemade Circus , London Circus Workshop Facilitator in care homes • Co-led group sessions in communal spaces • 2 to 1 bedroom visits
2022 - Current	BRISTOL FOLK HOUSE (Adult Education Centre), Bristol Circus Tutor (2.5 hour circus workshops) • Introduction to the Joy of Juggling • Circus Games: Play, Laughter & Creativity
2022	YOUTH CIRCUS CAMP, Circomedia , Bristol Teaching Assistant