Art meets engineering at the Engineering Colouring Book launch at Trinity Kitchen

On Saturday 12th March Trinity Kitchen will be helping to launch and give away over 10,000 FREE copies of a new Engineering Colouring Book and inviting members of the public to add their touches to a giant colouring page as part of the Leeds Festival of Science!

A collaboration between the BA (Hons) Illustration students at Leeds College of Art and the Faculty of Engineering at the University of Leeds, the Engineering Colouring Book is a collection of 17 different designs by five different illustrators showcasing the wonder of engineering roles and careers.

Supported by the Heart Partnership, the Single Point of Contact for West Yorkshire and part of the National Network of Collaborative Outreach, the colouring book has been designed to introduce engineering and computing careers to people of all ages in a fun way. The importance of engineering and computing is often not known or misunderstood yet they are the subjects and areas that enable us to live the modern lives we live, that enable us to have safer, better, longer and more fun lives. Engineers and computer scientists mix creativity with scientific knowledge and problem solving skills to provide solutions for problems and issues faced by our modern lives. Whether it be finding the best materials for replacement knee joints, designing earthquake proof buildings or writing code and algorithms for cyber security, these people have a significant impact on our lives.

If you want to add your creativity to this project head to Trinity Kitchen from 9am on Saturday 12th March and make your mark! Children and adults can help colour the 6 metres by 2 metres drawing that depicts careers in engineering, produced by students at the Leeds College of Art. Free copies of an accompanying Engineering Colouring Book will be available on the day to take home.

Professor Simone Wonnacott, Principal - Leeds College of Art said:-

“We’re really excited to be part of this innovative collaboration. The experience our BA (Hons) Illustration students have gained working on this real life brief is invaluable for their future careers. It’s brilliant to see their creativity and talent as professional illustrators being used to engage and educate children about the different career options in the engineering world. We’re looking forward to the launch of the Engineering Colouring Book at Trinity Kitchen!”
Dr Kerry Baker, also on the organising team for the Leeds Festival of Science said:-

“The colouring book has been designed to showcase the breadth and importance of engineering careers to people of all ages in a fun way. Using the colouring book concept, children and parents can learn about engineering while putting their creativity into practice - a very important skill for all engineers.”

Editor’s Notes

Images and animation saved HERE

Journalists wishing to attend, film or arrange interviews should contact: Emma Morris, PR & Communications Officer, 0113 202 8044 or emma.morris@leeds-art.ac.uk

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Our students and staff create a unique community of vibrant, ambitious and deeply creative artists and designers. We are based in Leeds, an internationally acclaimed centre for teaching and learning in addition to being a leading hub for creative and digital industries.