

PAT O'TOOLE

Pat is a Theatre Director, Trainer, Facilitator and Personal Development Coach for Business Education and the Arts. Her work encompasses teaching, training, directing, coaching, research and workshop facilitation.

Pat has an MSc. drama diploma and a PGCHE in Learning and Teaching in Performing Arts and is a Fellow of The Higher Education Academy and a qualified Business and Personal Coach. Pat also works with companies and colleges around improving mental health and well-being and is a Mental Health First Aider and qualified Counsellor.

She also works as a Personal Development Consultant and Coach and in 2014 trained as a Lego Serious Play Facilitator (fulfilling a lifelong dream to play with Lego!)

Pat started her directing career with "Equus" at the Covent Garden Museum Theatre and as an assistant at The National Theatre in "A Little Night Music". She has directed over 30 shows from Cabaret to Coward to Chekhov.

She is currently a Course Director at Rose Bruford College (A University Sector Drama School) and an External Consultant Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts and Chichester University. Pat has been involved with the vocational training of actors and actor musicians for over 30 years, having started her career as an actress and now uses her skills as a director, teacher and coach.

An energetic 'plate spinner' who loves a challenge – Pat last worked for The Vienna English Theatre in the late 1990's directing "Huckleberry Finn" for their School's tour. She is delighted to be working with VETA on their final show of the year.