

**NAME & TITLE:**

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MY FAVOURITE THING ABOUT ST BRIDE FOUNDATION IS:

Since attending my first lecture at St Bride in 2006 or thereabouts, the thing that has struck me the most is the incredible community that has congregated around St Bride. For the first time since moving to London, I felt like I had finally found my tribe. To this day, my circle of friends keeps expanding from the brilliant crowd of like-minded folk that flock to the beacon of printy-goodness; I will always be eternally grateful for it.

WERE I A TYPEFACE, THE TYPEFACE I WOULD BE WOULD BE:

This is a very tricky question as it really depends on my mood, but I am currently in love with Caslon Rounded Ornament from Commercial Classics designed by Paul Barnes and Tim Ripper. I am not a flamboyant character but do love wearing a good print and this fits the bill perfectly!

ONE OF MY FAVOURITE ITEMS FROM THE ST BRIDE LIBRARY COLLECTIONS IS:

With me, it always comes back to the people. Would it be terribly cheesy of me to say Bob Richardson, Mick Clayton and the chaps from the St Bride Chapel? Without their knowledge, dedication and generosity of time and spirit, St Bride wouldn't be the same place we all know and love. Aside from the people, my favourite items would have to be the incredible wealth of type specimens that the Library holds. The variety and rich resources found within cannot be matched anywhere else in the world and is a visual feast for any researcher.

MY SIMPLE PLEASURES DURING LOCKDOWN INVOLVE:

My daily walk around the woods near my flat, line-dried bed linen at the beginning of every week, a pint of beer at the end of each day and talking to my amazing group of neighbours who have kept me sane through it all.

WHEN LOCKDOWN IS LIFTED, MY PERFECT DAY WILL BE:

I'd jump on a train to the Gower to visit my sister and her family, (via the amazing Oxfam Bookshop in Swansea on the way to meet them), have a proper hug, go for a walk along one of the beautiful beaches nearby and paddle my toes, have a beach picnic, snooze after lunch, maybe having read a bit of my book, then headed to the King Arthur pub for tea and enjoy a pint or three of real ale in the pub garden until the stars come out to say hello.

