

## **Olivier Salvas**

Function: Commissioned Artist "WE ARE OCEAN Vancouver"

Website: https://www.createiiv.com/about-1

Olivier Salvas (lives and works in Vancouver, BC, Canada)

Originally from Montreal, Olivier Salvas is an artist and educator who works with the media painting, photography and video in a socially engaged way and to foster conversations about identity and arts education.

As a teacher, Olivier uses inquiry-based learning methods and his assignments always have a strong focus on social justice, the integration of technology and fine arts in his lesson planning. He is also engaged with delivering workshops for other staff members based on inquiry-based learning and technology. Oivier has been collaborating with the Vancouver Biennale as an educator since 2015 for the Big Ideas in Schools project.

Olivier is a reporter for the show OutlookTV on OutTV (in Canada), he uses this platform to showcase the LGBTQ2s+ artists and activists across Canada, reporting stories mainly from Vancouver and Montreal. In 2019, Olivier was chosen an ambassador for the Canadian Culture Days representing British-Columbia and was a guest speaker in a conference with the commissioner of the official languages of Canada. The artist is engaged with supporting LGBTQ2S+ refugees, he produces virtual events to support Canadian artists and he produces the event and now weekly Youtube show "Kids N' Queens" for LGBTQ2S+ families.