

## THE Awards 2019 - Outstanding Technician of the Year Institution/Nominee James Davoll, Newcastle University Title Teaching and Project Support, with particular reference to Polluted Leisure URL https://pollutedleisure.wordpress.com and https://davoll.net/ Submission James's contributions to research and teaching at Newcastle University make him stand out as a technician not only at Newcastle University but in comparison to multiple other universities I have worked at in the UK, China, and Australia. His ability to inspire undergraduate and postgraduate students is evident in student feedback: "It is inspiring to have a teacher so knowledgable about the technical aspects of filmmaking, as well as being very personable and fun in lectures" (EvaSys comment, 06/2019). Driven by an Equality, Diversity and Inclusion ethos, he helps shape important university policy. James's work on the research project Polluted Leisure demonstrates his ability to contribute to cutting edge interdisciplinary research in the fields of cultural studies, environmental humanities, creative arts, leisure studies, and media studies. His artistic practice has been showcased in exhibitions, the media, scholarly articles and radio series. James is an inspiring and agenda setting member in the School of Arts and Cultures.