

MEDICAL ILLUSTRATOR

Medical illustrators are healthcare scientists who produce resources such as photography or graphic illustrations for healthcare professionals to be used in patient care, teaching, education and research. If you are creative and have an interest in anatomy, this may be the career for you!

The responsibilities of a medical illustrator are varied depending on what you specialise in. A clinical photographer or videographer could get involved in capturing images of patient injuries, producing 3D imagery or taking promotional photography of staff. Artists and graphic designers could be involved in creating patient information posters and leaflets, designing websites or producing illustrations that can be used in medical journals or presentations.

Find out more here - <https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/medical-illustrator>

DID YOU KNOW?

We can see examples of medical illustration throughout history.

In early medical textbooks from the 15th century to the Victorian era, medical illustrations look less photorealistic and more like the art of the period.

In early medical illustration, artistic expression was more important than the need for clinical accuracy.

Find out more medical illustration facts here - <https://www.digitalartsonline.co.uk/features/illustration/what-500-years-of-medical-illustration-has-taught-us-about-art-anatomy/>

YOUR CHALLENGE - test out your own creative skills

 **DON'T FORGET
TO TAKE PICTURES!**

1 RESEARCH

Find some examples of medical illustrations? What detail do they include? Where are they used? Who are they for?



2 DESIGN

Create your own medical illustration. You could take photos or use your drawing, illustration or graphic design skills.



3 FINISH

Decide where your medical illustration will be used. Will it be for a poster or leaflet? Will it be featured in a medical or educational publication? What else will you need to include?