Olga Pope

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Summary

Award-winning Creative Director, Copywriter and Brand Consultant with over 10 years of experience in branding and advertising. I work directly with clients and through top creative agencies in London, New York, and internationally, creating and overseeing brand platforms and campaigns for businesses and organisations ranging from British Airways, IKEA and YouTube to the United Nations and OXFAM, as well as ambitious startups — from Seed to Series B.

Work history

cummins&partners nyc, Creative Director since January 2025

- Leading and mentoring a team of four across design, copywriting, and creative.
- Overseeing the creative process from concept to delivery, working closely with clients across diverse sectors.
- Heading the agency's copywriting function, creating and reviewing copy across all client projects and internal initiatives.
- Shaping the agency's creative vision as the sole Creative Director, partnering with leadership to define and push creative standards.
- Developing proactive creative initiatives for key clients, contributing to business development.
- Played a key role in building and structuring the creative function from the ground up, including workflow systems, creative reviews, and mentoring.
- Coached a newly formed creative team (Copywriter + Art Director) from their first project together to successfully pitching and selling standout ideas and platforms to high-profile clients across diverse sectors.

Director, Olga Pope Ltd (self-employed)

March 2020–December 2024
Working alone or in partnership with independent strategists and creatives, through agencies and directly with clients.
Clients: The United Nations, UN Women, Plan International, The National Trust, Hendrick's, Guinness, Haribo, St Tropez, LEGO, British Airways, Monzo, Vueling, Hiscox, Chelsea FC, UK Pet Food, Drambuie, Nets, Miele, Volcano Coffee Works, UKTV, Action for Children, Riviera Travel, Bailey's, London Business School, Schwartz, Cafédirect, Tullamore D.E.W., and many others.

Senior Creative, AMV BBDO (London, UK)

January 2015-February 2020 Clients: *Guinness, Mars, Snickers, Walkers, Bodyform, Braun, Currys PC World, TENA, Pepsi MAX, Nicorette, Galaxy, Sainsbury's, Martini, Metropolitan Police, Twinings, Whiskas.*

Creative, WCRS (London, UK)

November-December 2014 Clients: *Warburtons, Santander, Bupa.*

Creative, Mother (London, UK)

July-September 2014 Clients: *Boots, IKEA, Cancer Research, United Nations, Chipotle.*

Creative, TBWA\London

July 2013-June 2014 Clients: *Adidas, Lidl, Four Seasons, Nissan, The Advertising Association.*

Skills

Creative direction. Verbal and visual identity. Creative strategy. Copywriting. Copy coaching and team training. Brand storytelling. Naming. Tone of voice development. Pitch strategy and pitch decks. End-to-end campaign creation. Creative workshops and facilitation. Mentoring. Client leadership and stakeholder management. GenAl prompt engineering (visual+verbal). Research.

References

Louis Lunts

Managing Director, <u>cummins&partners nyc</u>

louis.lunts@cumminsandpartners.com

Craig Mawdsley and Bridget Angear <u>craig+bridget</u>

Multi-award-winning creative strategists, former joint heads of strategy at AMV BBDO (London, UK)

craigandbridget@craigandbridget.co.uk

Testimonials

Olga's impact was immediate, tangible, and deeply felt. Any team would be lucky to have her.

Louis Lunts,

Managing Director, cummins&partners nyc

Beautiful copy.

— Steve Vranakis, ECD of Google Creative Lab

At last... a writer who can really, truly write.

— Creative Director of Writing, Apple

Olga is an extraordinary thinker and listener. I've simply never come across someone so adept at hearing your story then converting it into spot-on, effortless copy.

— Marisol Grandon, Founder and CEO of Unfold Stories, Managing Director of Tellus

A prodigiously talented copywriter.

— Peter Souter, writer, former chairman + CCO of TBWA London, former ECD of AMV BBDO

I wish all voiceover scripts I get were more like this.

— Sally Hawkins, Golden Globe-winning actress

Awards

Cannes Lions

1× Grand Prix, 1× Gold, 1× Bronze

D&AD

2× Wood

Clio

1× Silver

Creative Circle

3× Gold, Gold Jury (Copywriting)

Education

Central Saint Martins (UAL)

Graphic Design (2012-2014) Grade: 1:1 (First Class Honours)

University of Brighton

Graphic Communication (2010-2012)
Grade: Distinction

But wait, there's more!

Creative Mentor at the School of Communication Arts 2.0 (London, UK) since 2022

Published author

(short fiction, horror)

Medium's Top Writer on Entrepreneurship 2022

Lead Mentor at Prince's Trust

2019-2020

Translated 'Stripped', the Depeche Mode biography by Jonathan Miller, from English into Russian for Amphora Publishing 2008

90+ Word on the Street quotes

I've supplied a statistically significant number of weird overheard things to TimeOut London: 90+ published so far.

www.olgapope.com/word-on-the-street

Proudest career moment

Rapping about malaria in front of the entire marketing team of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.