



## **Sarah Silverstein – Personal Profile**

I am originally from West Sussex, and studied art foundation at City College, Brighton. I am currently studying illustration at Southampton Solent University, graduating in 2013.

My greatest passion has always been drawing, and I am particularly interested in reportage illustration: drawing people and places through direct observation. For this project for St.James' Park, I took the opportunity to explore Southampton and Shirley (an area fairly new to me), and draw buildings and monuments on site with pen, ink and wash. Although the process of drawing, re-drawing, editing and putting together the final image was something that took months to finish, I have thoroughly enjoyed the whole process. To see my drawings on such a grand scale makes me proud to know my hard work has been for a good cause!



I am honoured to have been given this opportunity of working on this live brief for St.James' Park in Shirley, and to have been able to apply something I love doing to such a great project (where younger and older generations were able to work together in remembering and recreating the past). What was so great about this project is that I could get really involved by researching the local history of Southampton and meeting people involved in the war, who had memories to share with me

which could be incorporated into my artwork.