STUDENT PRESIDENT



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Hey, I'm Yu, a non-binary student studying Comic and Concept art and running for the student president role! Like many students, I love drawing and creating designs based on the ideas I have!

My goal as student president is to bring attention to the diversity within the university and provide artists' with lgbt, neurodivergent, international and minority backgrounds more opportunities to showcase their work. Being someone who finds themselves within these categories, I understand the struggles that unfortunately come with just existing, however these differences deserve to be celebrated especially within the artist space we have.

I aim to provide more support for everyone within these backgrounds and help them show off their talents through more collaborations and exhibitions. I particularly want to provide more events for international students to get to know one another, as I am aware of the difficulties of isolation and loneliness which these students may be facing.

I'm actively involved within the university. I am the founder of the cosplay society which was created to be a safe space for people with similar interests. The experience I've gained from creating this society, running events and planning with large groups of people has not only allowed me to achieve said goal, but also created a welcoming and accepting community thanks to the supportive members within the cosplay society. In addition, I'm also a student representative for my course. The course meetings allow me to gather thoughts and opinions from everyone so that I can bring forward these concerns. I truly value this aspect of representing the student voice, as I believe that student input is truly what makes Leeds Art University what it is today.

If you've read this far, thank you for your time!

Best of wishes to you and the other candidates!