



## **“Everyone can be creative”**

**Rob Goldsmith is a freelance Media Tutor who works with service users at Outreach 3 Way alongside other specialist work in film. For Rob – who first picked up a video camera aged 11 – it’s all about bringing out the creativity in others.**

“After studying film at Northbrook College, I worked for a company that photographed high-end cars,” says Rob. “Then I moved on to teaching media, film and radio at Chichester College. Being in a role where you have to stand up in front of people really helped my confidence.”

Rob worked with students with additional needs at Chichester and reflects, “It was quite a learning curve, but so rewarding to see them do stuff on their own. I saw that, even if you have those challenges, with a little bit of help and the right equipment you can achieve anything.”

Rob now has his own company and works on a freelance basis making videos, filming and giving talks. When a one-day-a-week media job came up at Outreach 3 Way’s Ifield Day Service, Rob immediately hit it off with the service users.

Rob works with a group of around eight clients every Thursday on projects ranging from acting to animation, making props, photography and short films. “I really enjoy spending time with the guys,” Rob says. “They are friendly, polite and bubbly and it’s a pleasant atmosphere to be in. I also really enjoy helping the guys make something out of nothing. It’s interesting that people with learning disabilities who are sometimes almost dismissed by society can actually be very creative,” Rob observes.

Rob also films drama productions, staff events and promotional films for Outreach 3 Way working closely with other staff such as our Drama Facilitator and Communications Manager.

And the best part about being part of the team? “It’s the look on the service users’ faces when they see the results of their work,” Rob says without hesitation.

