

## **Julia Barfield**

Julia Barfield is the director of Marks Barfield Architects, established in 1989, winner of 'Architectural Practice of the Year' in 2001 and a 'Queens Award for Enterprise' in 2003. Together with husband partner David Marks is creator of the London Eye and co-founder and Director of the London Eye Company that developed and realised the project (winner of over 25 awards). With over 22 years architectural experience, Julia studied at and is now a Council member of the Architectural Association.

She spent her year out in South America working in the barriadas of Lima in Peru designing housing and a community centre. After finishing at the AA she worked for Richard Rogers & Partners and Foster Associates for a total of 9 years. During the last 13 years, with David Marks, she has designed projects in the leisure, housing, transport, education and cultural sectors. Julia has been an Awards assessor for the RIBA and the Civic Trust, including the recent IPPR Designs in Democracy competition and has also been a judge in a number of other competitions.

She is an enabler for CABE and lectures widely in schools and universities, education conferences and institutions in London and overseas including recently in Mexico, Rome and Berlin.