

The Joyce Spurr Art Travel Fund 2022/23

Fine Art students at Sheffield Hallam University can apply for a Joyce Spurr Art Travel Bursary to support the development of their artistic practice. The bursary is intended to help towards the costs associated with a trip to visit exhibitions or artistic events within the UK.

The bursary has been made possible by generous donations from Sheffield-based artist, Joyce Spurr, and her supporters. Bursary awards are to help students learn from, and find inspiration in, artistic exhibitions across the country, which they may otherwise have been unable to attend due to financial barriers.

How much is available?

Applicants can apply for one of five bursary award levels:

- £50
- £100
- £150
- £200
- £250

Applicants will need to provide details of their travel plans, and must declare a predicted/researched spend for each of the following items, where applicable:

- Travel within the UK
- Exhibition/event costs
- Daily subsistence (to a maximum of £10 per day)
- Accommodation (where it is reasonable to stay overnight)

Who is eligible?

To be considered for an award, applicants must be fully enrolled on a Fine Art course at undergraduate or postgraduate level. Eligible students can receive one Joyce Spurr award per academic year. Those who received an award in previous years are eligible to apply provided they submitted reports/receipts as requested.

How are applications assessed?

Predicted/researched spends will be assessed alongside details of the applicants' travel plans. If they are considered to be reasonable, a bursary award is likely to be made.

Consideration will also be given to the short statement in which applicants tell us why they have chosen the exhibition(s). Please note, academic skill and writing style will not be assessed for the purposes of awarding a bursary.

Unreasonable, unrealistic, incomplete or multiple applications will not be successful in gaining an award.

How is the award paid?

The bursary award is paid into the bank account specified by successful applicants, normally within one month of submitting an application. Successful applicants will be notified of the payment date by email.

How to apply

Before you apply, please make sure you know what is expected of you following your trip.

Please think carefully about the exhibitions you would like to attend and apply for the most appropriate award level, and do not apply more than 3 months before you plan to travel.

You must apply to the Joyce Spurr Art Travel Fund on a Unihub form that can be found on our [MyHallam page](#). You will be asked to:

- select the items you'd like funding for,
- provide predicted/researched spends for each of these items,
- request a level of award,
- give details of your travel plans,
- tell us why you have chosen the exhibition(s) in particular,
- provide us with your bank details.

If you are travelling in a pair or a small group, you will each need to submit an application form for your individual funding.

What else do I need to know?

Applications will close at 23:59 on **Sunday 9th July 2023** for the 2022/23 academic year or sooner, if the fund is exhausted.

Successful applicants will be responsible for making their own booking and travel arrangements, and should consider using student discounts and travel/rail cards wherever possible.

The trip must have taken place and the report must have been submitted by **Friday 1st September 2023**.

Within one month of their trip end date, all successful applicants will be asked to submit a short report, detailing how the trip has influenced or inspired their artistic practice. The report must be a minimum of 300 words and should include at least one photo.

For bursary awards of between £150 and £250, successful applicants will also be expected to submit receipts of expenses incurred on the trip. This will include evidence of travel, exhibition costs and accommodation, where applicable.

Failure to submit the trip report (and receipts, in some cases) within the given timescale will prevent the student from accessing this fund in subsequent years. The university also reserves the right to ask for the bursary to be repaid so that it can be used to support other students.

Students can receive one award per academic year from this fund, provided they have met the requirements following any previous bursary award. An application must be submitted for each year of study, and being successful in one year does not necessarily guarantee future success.

Funding will not be awarded for a trip that has already taken place.

Appeals

For information about the appeals process and other general policy terms relating to all University bursaries please see the [Bursary Guidelines](#).