

# THE WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF TURNERS Bursary Awards 2009



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Bursary Awards 2009 - Entry Form

One or more Bursaries worth up to a combined total of £9,000 are available to assist talented turners to achieve their professional aspirations and enhance their future career opportunities. The awards are open to capable UK resident turners whose work is well regarded. Special consideration will be given to those candidates judged to be most capable of advancing the boundaries of the craft of turning. Age is no barrier to entry.

## RULES

**1** Applicants shall submit written proposals to the Bursary Committee outlining their career aspirations and stating in the form of a costed action plan how they would use the Bursary to achieve their aims. This shall be accompanied by a curriculum vitae, the names of two referees and one or more photographs of turned items made by them, with descriptions including production methods employed. Entries should be sent to The Clerk, The Worshipful Company of Turners, 182 Temple Chambers, Temple Avenue, London EC4Y OHP, to arrive not later than 28<sup>th</sup> February 2009.

**2** Applicants will be expected to have a good working knowledge of:

- \* a range of hand and powered tools and aids used in high-quality turned work
- \* choice, preparation and maintenance of lathe and cutting tools
- \* materials, principally woods, and their suitability for various purposes
- \* the design of pieces for practical and/or decorative purposes, including the geometry and measurement of work pieces
- \* techniques of turning between centres, faceplate and chuck turning
- \* techniques of finishing, with an aspiration to develop the range of their work and personal style

It is important that applicants display high regard for safe practice, both at the lathe and generally in the workshop environment.

**3** A short list of candidates will be invited to attend for interview and adjudication at the Company's offices in the third or fourth week of March 2009. Candidates will be expected to bring with them a display of their work. Design sketches, photographs of their workshop and work-in-progress if appropriate, may support the display. Short-listed candidates will receive assistance with their travel expenses.

**4** The Bursary Committee will adjudicate. In the event that the adjudicators find more than one candidate of outstanding ability the Bursary may be divided among them or, if there is no suitable candidate, the award may be held over. The adjudicators' decisions are final.

**5** A mentor will be appointed to guide each successful candidate on matters relating to the Bursary.

**6** The successful candidate will be required to submit a progress report satisfactory to the Company six months after receiving the Bursary, and after twelve months will be expected to prepare a display of work achieved with the assistance of the Bursary. This display may be publicised in order to bring the candidate's skill to the attention of the public, and to encourage future applicants.

**7** The Bursary may be used for research, training, equipment, materials, travel for study, to demonstrate or display work, to produce an invention of turning-related equipment, to set up a turning-related business, or for any other purpose approved by the Bursary Committee that will assist the candidate in achieving an aspiration to be an exceptional turner.

**8** Unless specially justified by the candidate's action plan, the Bursary shall be paid in four equal quarterly instalments, payment being contingent on satisfactory adherence to the action plan.

**9** At the end of the Bursary year the candidate, if not already a registered professional turner, may apply to be assessed for admission to the Register of Professional Turners. The candidate is also likely to receive invitations to talk about, teach or demonstrate the art of turning.

*Please retain the Rules, complete this form and return it to the Clerk*

**I have read and understood the Rules of the Awards and I wish to apply.**

Full name of Applicant:

Date of Birth:

Address:

Postcode:

Telephone: Home:  Office:

E-mail address:

Website (if applicable):

Names and addresses of two people who have agreed to provide references of my skill and character:

Referee 1 – Name

Address:

Postcode:

Referee 2 – Name

Address:

Postcode:

I attach my curriculum vitae, photographs and descriptions of items turned by me, a statement of my career aspirations, and an action plan showing how I would use the Bursary to achieve my stated aims.

**This form must be completed and returned, with attachments, not later than 28<sup>th</sup> February 2009 to:**

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