

Award Summary

The **Academy of Music and Theatre Arts *Edge Award*** is an annual award aimed at assisting performing arts and management students to develop original projects that push the boundaries of their creativity and enhances prospects for employment. The award is intended to be used to create new and innovative work.

The **Academy of Music and Theatre Arts *Edge Award*** is open this year to all level 2 and level 3 students enrolled on an Academy of Music and Theatre Arts course for the 2017/18 academic year. *Please note: from next academic year, *Edge Awards* will only be open to level 2 students. As such, any current level 2 students considering an application should do so this year, as they will not be eligible in 2018/19.

The total award fund for 2017/18 is £3,000. It is envisaged that this will support a small number of awards, with a maximum individual award of £1,000.

Award winners will be required to produce an original project that uses innovative practice; to document their project progress and outcomes, and contribute to the AMATA *Edge Award* exhibition during academic year 2018/19.

Eligibility & Key Criteria

To be eligible to apply for the award:

You must be enrolled for the 2017/18 academic year, on level 2 or level 3 of a course within the Academy of Music and Theatre Arts.

Key criteria for the award are:

- The award can only be used to fund the consumable costs relating to extra-curricular projects or activities. Consumable costs are those that will be fully expended by the project and do not include the purchase of large items of equipment. For example, project costs could include travel and accommodation to undertake a research or field trip; costs relating to undertaking specialist training or accessing specialist materials or facilities; purchasing project-specific materials and/or covering other expenses specifically incurred in order to undertake your proposed project.
- The award cannot be used to cover the cost of course organised trips or mandatory work; day-to-day expenses such as rent or food; or regular study materials.
- The award cannot be used to pay yourself or other students for time involved in undertaking or assisting with your project.
- The project or activity to be undertaken should be to create new and innovative work, and should demonstrate how it will enhance prospects for employment, for the applicant.
- The project should demonstrate its 'additional value' to the applicant – i.e. what will be gained above and beyond your regular studies within your course.

- Applicants must produce a fully thought-out project proposal to include full costings and details of how any additional costs (beyond which an award may cover) will be met.
- Projects must be completed by the end of August 2018.
- Award winners must contribute recordings, images and/or promotional materials of final productions to the Academy of Music and Theatre Arts' archive and agree to work being included in any future University marketing or exhibitions.
- Additionally, award winners will be required to provide feedback on their experience and receipt of the award, following completion of their project.

How to Apply

Students wishing to apply should complete the **Academy of Music and Theatre Arts Edge Award 2018** application form which should outline your project proposal, covering key criteria as outlined above, include detailed costings and a 500 word personal statement to explain why you feel you would be a worthy recipient of this award.

Completed applications should be submitted by email to: studentfunding@falmouth.ac.uk.

Please note:

ALL application forms must contain a signature - this can be a digital signature or a scanned copy of a signed form sent as an attachment. Typed names are not sufficient and applications without a personal signature will not be accepted.

Any queries regarding the award should be directed to the Student Funding Team at the email address above.

NO late applications will be considered.

The deadline for applications is:

midday on Wednesday 25th April 2018

Judging

A panel of Judges will be chaired by Terrie Fender, Director of the Academy of Music and Theatre Arts. The Panel's decision is final.

All applicants will receive a letter to their University email address, informing them of the outcome of their application, by Monday 7th May 2018.