

Wilhelmina Barns-Graham

(Born: Fife 1912 – Died: St Ives 2004)

Wilhelmina Barns-Graham was one of the foremost abstract artists in the UK. Her sense of colour was exceptional - she painted with great conviction and power, and her paintings remain full of surprise. Her images derived from acute observations of natural forms and places visited, pared to their bare essentials. Her paintings are in public collections throughout the UK including Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art, Arts Council of Great Britain, British Museum, the Tate Gallery, Victoria and Albert Museum, Leeds and Manchester City Art Galleries.

Wilhelmina Barns-Graham went to St. Ives in 1940, quickly becoming part of the group which included Ben Nicholson and Barbara Hepworth. She was a founder member of the Penwith Society, and travelled regularly in Europe over the next 20 years. In 1992, she received an Honorary Doctorate from St Andrews University. In 1999 she was elected an honorary member of the Royal Scottish Academy (RSA) and the Royal Scottish Watercolourists (RSW); she also received Honorary Doctorates from the Universities of Plymouth and Exeter and in 2001 she was awarded CBE.

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The Award

The Wilhelmina Barns-Graham Charitable Trust has granted Falmouth University an award fund of £1,500 to support a final year Fine Art student to undertake an extracurricular but subject-related trip to Italy.

The aim of the award is to support the recipient's development as an artist and this should be demonstrated through their application.

Key criteria for the award are:

- You must currently be enrolled as a **Fine Art** student in your **final year** (ie due to graduate in 2018) at Falmouth University.
- The award can only be used to fund an extracurricular, but subject-related trip to Italy, to be taken within 6 months of the closing date of the award.
- You must demonstrate how the award will support / enhance your development as an artist.
- You must demonstrate your commitment to your practice and studies.

Assessment

Applications will be assessed by academic staff based on the benefits of the proposed trip, artistic merit and personal commitment. Applications will be assessed after the deadline and all applicants will receive an email (to their University email address address), informing them of the outcome of their application, by Friday 27th April 2018.

To Apply

Please complete the Wilhelmina Barns-Graham Travel to Italy Award 2018 application form detailing your proposal for your trip to Italy and the associated costs, and providing a personal statement as described on the application form.

The deadline for applications is **midday on Friday 13th April 2018**.

Completed applications should be submitted by email as either a PDF or Word attachment to:

studentfunding@falmouth.ac.uk

Any queries about the award should be directed to the Student Funding Team to either the email address above or by phone / in person to:

Student Funding Team
The Hub
Falmouth Campus
Woodlane

Tel: (01326) 255159 / 213744

Please note:

ALL applications must contain a hardcopy personal signature. This can be a digital signature inserted into the document or alternatively, you will need to scan a copy of your signed form to email. Typed names are not sufficient and applications without a personal signature will not be accepted.

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NO late applications will be considered.