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Theatre School**

**Postgraduate External Scholarships,
bursaries and competitions.**

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Introduction

This document is a list of scholarships, bursaries and competitions that has been compiled over several years to assist student with finding external funding opportunities. It is checked and updated once a year, although small amendments may be made as and when new organisations or other information comes to the attention of the Admissions Office.

Please note Deadlines for applications can sometimes change on a regular basis, so please check with the trust/charity directly for up to date information.

Many smaller trusts do not have a website, but details may be found on the website of [Turn2Us](#)

If you need assistance with submitting an application or would like to discuss in more detail the information contained in this document, please contact the Admissions Office.

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Email: admissions@oldvic.ac.uk

Funding Opportunities with Multiple Deadlines or no deadlines

These trusts accept applications all year round or have multiple deadlines, see websites for further details

[The Simon Shades Scholarship](#) The scholarship is an annual, merit-based competition. The goal of the scholarship is intended to help the winning candidate fund living expenses and/or tuition fees during their study. The scholarship is a onetime award of £1000. It is funded by The Brun Bear Foundation. Applications online via the website

[Vegetarian Charity](#) offers grants for vegetarian and vegan students of 25 years of age or younger. Grants are based on hardship. For further information please see the website

[Yorkshire Ladies' Council of Education](#) **Over 21's:** offers grants of up to £400 to support fees for British women of 21 years of age or over. It provides small awards to help British women who do not qualify for support from Student Finance. **However, women who are eligible for a Postgraduate Loan may apply.**

[The Women's Careers Foundation](#) **Over 21's:** (Girls of The Realm Guild) Women only, who are UK citizens. Applicants should be seeking assistance to begin or continue studies for a career and should be 21 or over, except for music or dancing when the minimum age is 16. Grants are not given for PhD study or postgraduate studies if the subject indicates a complete change of direction. An SAE is essential. Applications should be submitted between the 1 September and 31 January for the following academic year

[Ruby and Will George Trust](#) Applicant must be able to demonstrate a family link with commerce (see website for useful examples). The Trust only makes grants that are for the enhancement of education or for the relief of poverty, depending on the individual's level of need.

[Funds for Women Graduates](#) The Foundation Grant scheme is intended to contribution only towards the living expenses of one year's academic study or research. Women graduates from Britain and overseas are eligible to apply they must be studying in Great Britain

[Daiwa Foundation Small Grants](#) can cover all fields of activity, including educational and grassroots exchanges, research travel, the organisation of conferences, exhibitions, and other projects and events that fulfil this broad objective. Applicants must be resident in either the UK or Japan and demonstrate a long-term commitment to UK-Japan relations. New initiatives are especially encouraged:

[The Gilchrist Educational Trust](#) Applications are considered from students who have made proper provision to fund a degree or higher education course but find themselves facing unexpected financial difficulties which may prevent completion of it; also, from students who are required, as part of their course, to spend a short period studying abroad. Applicants must be fulltime students at a British University, and normally in their last year Please email gilchrist.et@gmail.com for more information.

[The Masonic Charitable Foundation](#) can help freemasons or someone with a strong family connection to a previous or current freemason under the English Constitution. Grants can support the cost of IT equipment, course materials, school uniforms and extracurricular activities for children

and young people. They can also assist students in further or higher education with scholarships. All grants are income assessed and candidates are expected to apply for all other sources of funding available such as grants, scholarships and sponsorship. Speak to your Lodge Almoner about applying for a grantor contact MCF directly to start your application. Tel: 0800 035 60 90 Email: help@mcf.org.uk or write to: Masonic Charitable Foundation, 60 Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 5AZ

[Retail Trust award](#) You or a parent must have worked in retail. Educational grants can cover university costs for you or your dependants such as course fees and accommodation. Applicants must have a combined household income of no more than £50,000, and an individual income of no more than £30,000. Apply online.

Funding Opportunities with fixed Deadlines by Month

March

The Ryan Davies Memorial Fund Applications are invited from young Welsh artists in the Performing Arts for grant assistance. For further details and application form contact: Blod Jones, Ysgrifennydd y Gronfa/Fund Secretary blod@blodjonespr.co.uk

The Canadian Centennial Scholarship Fund (CCSF) provides awards ranging from £2000 to £5000 to Canadian students studying for fulltime multiyear graduate programmes in the UK.

April

The Timothy West & Prunella Scales Speech Prize for Actors The purpose of the Timothy West & Prunellas Scales Speech Prize for Actors, in accordance with the general aims of the AESS, is “to encourage the communication of English words, with clarity, understanding and imagination”. Application form available from Email queries and completed application forms to svarcoe1@googlemail.com

Snowdon Masters Scholarship The Snowdon Masters Scholarship has been designed to identify and accelerate talented disabled students through higher education, creating the influencers of the future. Apply online.

May

BAFTA UK Scholarship Programme The BAFTA UK scholarship programme is open to British citizens in need of financial assistance to take eligible undergraduate and postgraduate courses in the UK. Each BAFTA Scholar receives up to £12,000 towards their annual course fees, as well as mentoring support from a BAFTA member, winner or nominee and free access to BAFTA events around the UK.

1st Formations Business Scholarships Scholarship awards up to 10 successful applicants with a bursary of £600 each. The bursary is designed to help students with some of the additional costs involved in studying, such as the cost of course materials, textbooks and other living expenses. Applicants **must be able to demonstrate academic excellence, a desire to run a business and can demonstrate financial need**. Not available to previous recipients of the 1st Formations Business Scholarship.

August

Masters Compare Scholarship to apply register to receive the Masters Compare email newsletter, making sure to tick the ‘Master’s Scholarship draw’ box on Masters Compare in order to be automatically entered. You are not eligible if you are continuing an existing master’s course.

Snowdon Trust If you have a physical or sensory disability and are in further or higher education, you can apply to us for help with additional disability related costs that are not fully provided for by available statutory funding.

September

[Postgrad Solutions Study Bursary](#) **Post Graduate:** The Bursary is worth £500. To apply complete the Postgrad Solutions Study Bursaries application form on the webpage. As well as your postgraduate course information, you need to provide is a 200-word piece about why you should receive one of the £500 bursaries. Payment of the award will be made direct to the institution, and will be discounted from your fees as appropriate.

October

[Oppenheim-John Downes Memorial Trust](#) **Over 30's:** The awards are awarded to deserving artists of any kind who are unable effectively to pursue their vocation by reason of their financial difficulties. As a general guide the maximum award would be £1,000 but, in exceptional circumstances, the Trustees may consider making a larger award. The awards are made in December of each year with the closing date for applications being.

Awards specifically for students from specified places

England

[Anguish's Educational Foundation](#) **Open to students under the age of 25** who have been resident in Norwich for at least 2 years and have a household income below £600 per week. Grants are for university maintenance costs. Contact details: email info@norwichcharitabletrusts.org.uk telephone 01603 621023, write to Norwich Charitable Trusts, 1 Woolgate Court, St Benedicts Street, Norwich, NR2 4AP.

[The Catherine Martin Trust](#) **supports students up to 21** in fulltime education, whose mother and/or father are deceased, or are unable to work (through ill-health) to support the family. The young person must be a British born subject and a child of British born parents. The parents must have been legally married (not common-law partners). The deceased or disabled parent must have lived in Hove and Portslade for at least on year before his or her death. Grants can be for clothing, books, equipment, educational outings in the UK, fees or living expenses. For further information please contact: Miss M E Burton, The Parish Office, The Vicarage, Willbury Road, Hove, East Sussex, BN3 3PB. Tel: 01273 733331.

Scotland

[The Scottish International Education Trust](#) The Trust welcomes individual applications especially from Scots who wish to study at postgraduate level. For further information email siet@turcanconnell.com McGlashan Charitable Trust Offers grants to postgraduate students of around £500-£1,500. Applicants must be either studying, working or have been born in Scotland, and be under 30. For further information, please contact: The McGlashan Charitable Trust, 66 Octavia Terrace, Greenock, PA16 7PY

[Cross Trust](#) Provides grants to students of Scottish descent (you, or one of your parents, must have been born in Scotland).

[The Stirlingshire Educational Trust](#) Offers grants for those born in Stirlingshire or who have lived there for at least 5 consecutive years. Grants are available towards research expenses and fees. Please contact Iain Flett, Stirlingshire Educational Trust, 68 Port Street, Stirling, FK8 2LJ or Tel: 01786 474956, or email stgedtrust@btconnect.com

[Derwar Arts Awards](#) To be considered for a Dewar Arts Award, an applicant must: be under the age of 30; live or work in Scotland; demonstrate outstanding talent in any artform; and be without the financial means to achieve their full potential. The Trustees look for candidates who have strong ambition and a real passion for their chosen artform. Applicants must be able to demonstrate a clear view of their future development (or that of a particular project), and how receiving a Dewar Award would help them to achieve their goals. Awards are allocated on a rolling basis, so there are no deadlines to meet.

Wales

The Ryan Davies Memorial Fund Applications are invited from young Welsh artists in the Performing Arts for grant assistance. For further details and application form contact: Blod Jones, Ysgrifennydd y Gronfa/Fund Secretary blod@blodjonespr.co.uk

[The Robert Peel Foundation/Taliaris School Charity](#) The Trustees will consider applications for awards from persons under the age of 25 years who are at the time of application resident in the ancient parish of Llandeilo Fawr and have been so for a minimum of two years. Preference will be given to applicants who are members of or connected with the Church in Wales. Email CorporateAccountancy@carmarthenshire.gov.uk or phone 01267 224172 to request an application form.

[The Thomas and Elizabeth Williams Scholarship](#) Postgraduate students who have been resident within Carmarthenshire for at least two years during the ten years immediately preceding the date of application. Preference is given to the Kidwelly/Llanelli school districts. Email CorporateAccountancy@carmarthenshire.gov.uk or phone 01267 224172 to request an application form.

United States

[Marshall Scholarships](#) provides awards for **postgraduate** study in the UK for US students. Applicants must have obtained a 3.7 GPA, have graduated from their first undergraduate college or university after April 2016 and not have studied for, or hold a degree or degree equivalent qualification from a British University or GCSE or A Levels taken at school in the UK.

All International Students

[Northern Dairies Educational Trust](#) **POSTGRADUATES** Grants are made to overseas students wishing to pursue further or higher education in the UK. Grants are up to £500 to help towards books and fees/living expenses. Application should be made on a form available from the contact. Applications are considered monthly, except August. Official support from the University and two references are required. For further information please contact Mrs J L Honey; Northern Dairies Educational Trust, Beverley House, St Stephen's Square, Hull HU1 3XG, UK

Websites that list awards, competitions and other opportunities. This list also includes websites for further options to look for funding options.

Turn 2 US www.turn2us.org.uk

Paul Hamlyn Foundation - <http://fundingforartists.org.uk/artists/>

The Complete University Guide - <https://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/student-advice/finance/university-bursaries-and-scholarships>

Study UK - <https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/scholarships>

Easy Fundraising - <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/funds4uni>

Postgraduate Loans - <https://www.gov.uk/funding-for-postgraduate-study>

Prospects - <https://www.prospects.ac.uk/postgraduate-study/funding-postgraduate-study>

Postgrad.com - https://www.postgrad.com/fees_and_funding/

Funds for Women - <http://www.ffwg.org.uk/>

Postgraduate Funding - <https://www.postgraduate-funding.com/>

Grants Online - <https://www.grantsonline.org.uk/news/arts-culture-and-heritage/>

Post Study Funding

[The Mackintosh Foundation](#)

Apply in writing to the correspondent outlining details of the funding which is required. The Trustees meet in May and October in plenary session, but a grants committee meets weekly to consider grants of up to £10,000.

Carlton House Charitable Trust The charity in the main provides support to charities in the UK and overseas. It also supports with bursaries a limited number of **graduate and postgraduate students** in particular those in engineering, the physical sciences, drama and stage management. Please write or call for more information. Address: The Carlton House Charitable Trust, Flat 3, 24 Carlton House Terrace, Westminster, London, SW1Y 5AP. Tel: 07774758160.

[The Society for Theatre Research Awards](#)

Offers grants for the history of arts including: British theatre, opera, dance and the performing arts. Grants range from £200 - £1,000 and can be used for travel and research costs. For further information please contact awards@str.org.uk

[The Ian Potter Cultural Trust](#)

To support emerging or early career Australian artists to undertake international professional development opportunities, gain experience, develop networks and learn skills from leaders in their field.

[The Arab British Centre](#)

The Arab British Centre has a modest annual grants budget which is allocated to arts and cultural projects that improve the British public's understanding of the Arab world.

[Winston Churchill Memorial Trust fund](#)

UK citizens from all parts of society to research a practical topic overseas that can make a real difference to their community or profession when they come home. Awards grants to cover return and internal travel, daily living and insurance.

Arts Council UK

Arts Council: <https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/>