

## **Silver Jubilee Development Award 2021-2022**

This Award, which has a value of £2,500, was successfully launched last year. The Award was made to Kiera McNulty who had completed a Masters' degree in International Relations at Cardiff University in 2020. She had started to work for a small charity in Cardiff that provides accommodation to asylum seekers who are destitute and used the funds to attend a course on Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) and complete a week-long course with the Geneva Academy, examining the relationship between the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ESCRs). With the remainder of the Award monies, she undertook other creative projects involving interviewing individuals who had experience of asylum and destitution with a view to producing fund raising booklets and a video for her employer, Homes4U.

The Objective of the Award is to enable an outstanding young person who can show a commitment to Wales, who has graduated from an academic institution, or qualified with a professional body, to further their academic or professional development by undertaking an important project or attending a high level academic course or conference, preferably with an international element. The Award will be made to a young person aged 21 – 25, with possible extension to 30, if the candidate is a postgraduate student.

In furtherance of the objectives of the Silver Jubilee Appeal, the focus in 2020/2021 was on applicants with an interest and background of studies in International Relations, Politics and/or Modern Foreign Languages. This year the focus is on Fine Arts but specifically Painting or Drawing, Sculpture or Graphics.

PM Professor Gillian Davies, and Chairperson of the Awards Sub Committee which will manage and judge the applications, said, "We were delighted with the response we received last year and look forward to seeing it becoming both one of the prestigious Major Awards of the Company and to keep attracting outstanding applicants. If any Member is aware of possible applicants studying or working in these specific areas of Fine Arts, please do draw their attention to the information about this Award on the Company website and encourage them to apply".

Application Forms and further information are available on the WLCow Website and completed applications should be sent to the Secretary of the Awards Committee [awards@liverycompanywales.cymru](mailto:awards@liverycompanywales.cymru) before the end of January 2022.

The winner of the Award will, in addition, receive a Prestigious Award Certificate, be invited to attend a significant Livery Company event and will also be entitled to include in their CV that they are a winner of this Major Award from the Worshipful Livery Company of Wales. Reports duly received from Award winners, detailing the use to which the Award funds have been put and the benefits which have resulted to the furtherance of their academic or professional development, will be publicised on the website and in future issues of this Bulletin and other Livery communications.