



Studio Spaces for Graduates 2018/2019

Fireworks Clay Studios is a co-operative organisation based in Cardiff city centre, providing studio space and specialised equipment for ceramic artists. It currently houses 18 ceramicists, and a textile artist. In its 20 year history, Fireworks has helped to facilitate the early careers of many successful ceramic artists and is committed to continuing this through its now established Graduate Residency Scheme. We recognise that this in turn contributes to the vibrancy of the community within the studio as well as fostering the next generation of makers.

The Scheme aims to support two newly graduated ceramic artists in their first year of self directed professional practice by offering a fully furnished studio space at a heavily subsidised cost with full use of all studio equipment for a period of one year. Successful applicants will be able to take full advantage of a professional studio without the need to invest and purchase the key equipment required in a ceramic workshop, whilst also working alongside full time professional members, gaining exposure to gallery representatives and enthusiasts. There will also be opportunities to take part in our Open Days (Christmas & Summer) and studio meetings.

As stated previously, we are a co-co-operative which means we each contribute our time voluntarily to maintain the space

and facilities and support each other including the Graduate Residents.

The submission for the Fireworks Graduate Residency is open until **June the 3rd 2019**, and is available to new graduates completing an undergraduate BA, postgraduate MA, PhD in Ceramics.

From 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020, the subsequent residents will receive the following: Studio space (2.5m x 2.5m approx); the use of our communal facilities including 3 x top-loading electric kilns; 1 x large front-loading electric kiln; 1 x top-loading test kiln; Wet-back spray booth and spray gun; Photography Studio; WiFi

The cost of a Graduate space is £55 per calendar month. Firing costs are additional with an annual sum of £120 for heating and electricity.

TO APPLY:

To apply for the Fireworks Graduate Residency, please email or post your completed application to Fireworks by 6pm on Monday, June the 3rd 2019. Applications received after this time will not be considered. The outcome of all applicants will be notified during the following week (week commencing on the 10th of June 2019)

Applications can be e-mailed to **lowri_davies@yahoo.com** or posted to: Fireworks Clay Studios (Graduate Residency), 24 Tudor Lane, Riverside, Cardiff, CF11 6AZ, UK. Please do not send application forms via special or recorded delivery.

An open morning for interested graduates will be held on Saturday, 11th of May, 2019, 10.00-12.00.

FIREWORKS GRADUATE SPACE APPLICATION FORM

PERSONAL DETAILS

Surname:

First Name(s):

Contact Address:

Contact Phone No:

Contact E-mail:

GRADUATING DETAILS

Graduating date:

Institution:

Degree:

Grade (if known):

Declaration (please tick relevant boxes)

I have read the application notes and confirm that I am eligible to apply. The answers I have given in this application are true to the best of my knowledge.

I am a UK or EU resident

or

I hold a valid work visa for the period of the residency

I have visited Fireworks Clay Studios

Please state when you visited.....

SUPPORTING MATERIAL

a. Please include an updated CV in your application.

b. Please provide us with a statement of your creative practice (We're more than happy to receive this as an additional file instead of using the following boxes)

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ABOUT YOUR CURRENT CIRCUMSTANCES

Please describe your circumstances, current and forthcoming commitments. Include in this section anything that might impact on the time you foresee spending at Fireworks, including accommodation commitments, finances and work.

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APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Completed application form
- CV
- 6 images, each named and numbered

Criteria for Fireworks Graduate Space applications:-

Proposal for your time at FWCS:

We're interested in hearing what you wish to achieve from being a graduate resident - be that continuing with your current body of work, setting-up as a professional artist or experimenting anew. We favour applications that can commit to spending time at the studio on a weekly basis.

Quality of work:

Applicants' work must be of a high standard and presented clearly in image form within the application.

We're open to all disciplines within the expanded field of ceramics. Ample proof is reflected from the working practices seen at FWCS.

If possible and where appropriate, FWCS members will also attempt to assess the quality of applicants' work via their Degree shows.

Visiting FWCS:

We favour applications from prospective applicants who have visited the studio beforehand. The Graduate Open Morning is a good opportunity to see FWCS - the studio and its members.

If you cannot attend the Open Morning, please get in touch with: lowri_davies@yahoo.com and we'll do our utmost to organise another suitable time for you to visit.

