

# Print Futures Awards 2019

## Information Sheet

The Print Futures Awards help people develop their careers in the printing, paper, publishing, packaging, and graphic arts sector.

### What are the Print Futures Awards?

The Awards are grants of up to £1,500 to help individuals take their first role in the sector or develop their workplace skills to progress in their careers.

### Who can apply?

You are eligible to apply if you are a UK resident aged 18-30 years and

- are studying for a recognised UK qualification and planning on taking your first role in the sector in 2019
- are an apprentice or studying for an NVQ in a UK print-related organisation
- are already working in a UK print-related organisation and want to develop your workplace skills

### What will the interview be like?

Interviews, which are held in June, are relaxed and last about 45 minutes. A panel of two or three people from across the UK printing, paper, publishing, packaging and graphic arts sectors will ask you about your training and job, and how you will use your Award to develop your skills. It is your opportunity to tell them what you are doing and why you need the Award.

### How can winners use their Awards?

We will consider applications for things such as post education internships; relevant training courses; professional accreditation; and kit and equipment where applicants can demonstrate they are beneficial to their studies, training, and development. (Please note, Awards cannot be used to pay for employers' staff training costs.)

### When do the winners receive their Awards?

The Awards ceremony will be held at The House of Lords in July. All winners become part of our Print Futures Awards Alumni Programme and receive information from the charity about initiatives we think might be of interest. All winners are asked by the charity to share their stories of how they used their Award and the difference it made to them.

### The Printing Charity

The Awards are a Printing Charity initiative to help individuals gain a recognised UK qualification, progress within their career or make the transition from education to employment.

Since 1827 the charity has been supporting people of all ages working in the UK printing, paper, publishing, packaging and graphic arts sectors. Through its Welfare & Wellbeing and Education & Partnerships programmes, it provides financial assistance for people in need and works with industry partners to attract and retain new talent in the sector. Please see [www.theprintingcharity.org.uk](http://www.theprintingcharity.org.uk) for more information.

### Sponsors and supporters

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