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Applications for up to £1,000 are invited. Applicants will be notified of the date at which the bursary panel will meet to agree allocation of funding. More details of the bursary can be found at the end of this document.

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| **1** | **Applicant Name** |  | |
| **2** | **Title (e.g. Dr, Mx, Mr, none)** |  | |
| **3** | **Address** |  | |
| **4** | **Email contact** |  | |
| **5** | **Telephone number (s)** | **Mob** | **Landline** |
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| **6** | **Name of supporting supervisor/proposer\* or ref for previous publications** |  | |
| **7** | **Title (e.g. Dr, Mx, Mr, none)** |  | |
| **8** | **Role of supervisor/proposer** |  | |
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| **11** | **Title of proposed project/research** |  | |
| **12** | **Amount of funding requested (up to £1,000)** |  | |
| **13** | **Timescale for proposed project/research** |  | |
| **14** | **Details of other funding sought or in place for the proposed project/research** |  | |
| **15** | **Description of proposed project/research to be undertaken. See also 16 & 17 (Box will expand, 1,000 – 1,500 words)** |  | |
| **16** | **What do you expect to achieve by undertaking the project/research? (e.g. new discovery, recording materials, developing new techniques)** |  | |
| **17** | **How will you share your findings?**  **(NB you will be expected to submit reports to the WHS)** |  | |
| **18** | **Supporting statement from supervisor (box will expand)** |  | |

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​Applications are welcomed from full- or part-time graduate students studying the history, conservation or development of wallcoverings at a college or university in the United Kingdom at postgraduate level.

Researchers based in the UK who have a proven record of publication in this or a related field are also eligible. Funds may also be allocated to support new researchers who may not have evidence of previous published work, but who are able to demonstrate commitment to undertake a relevant project or research.

​The WHS is committed to supporting research projects which contribute to knowledge in the field. For this reason, the bursary is awarded only for original research based largely on primary sources and/or practical conservation work.

​In addition to providing an interim report at the half-way point (October), at the end of the year the successful applicant will be required to contribute an illustrated essay of 3-4,000 words to be published in the Society’s triennial journal, The Wallpaper History Review.

​All applications are examined by both the Society’s Bursary Committee and by specialist external assessors. The first tranche of the award is made on submission of the interim report in October of the award year, the final part on receipt of the essay in May of the following year.

​It is expected that successful applicants will be, or will become members of the Wallpaper History Society.

\*If the applicant does not have a supporting supervisor (e.g. if they are an independent researcher) or is unable to provide evidence of previous publications, alternative supporting evidence should be provided. The panel will consider the application and may propose alternative arrangements.

The decision of the judges is final and the successful applicant will be notified at the beginning of May in the award year.

Send your completed form to:

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