

PRESS FORWARD

Gold Arts Award — Application Form

Artichoke Print Workshop | October 2026 – July 2027

Priority deadline: Friday 28 August 2026, 5pm

Priority applicants hear whether they have a place by: Friday 4 September 2026

Programme runs October 2026 - July 2027 (first session on 30 September)

Email your completed form to: outreach@artichokeprintworkshop.co.uk

Or post / drop off to: Artichoke Print Workshop, Ground Floor Unit G5,

Coldharbour Works, 245a Coldharbour Ln, London SW9 8RR

Please complete every question marked with an asterisk (*). If you'd like help filling in this form, or need it in a different format, contact outreach@artichokeprintworkshop.co.uk.



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A. Personal Details

Full name *

Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY) *

Age as of 1 October 2026 *

Home address *

Town / City *

Postcode *

Borough / local authority you live in *

Phone number *

Email address *

Emergency contact name

Relationship to you

Emergency contact phone number

Only complete the two fields below if you are currently under 18 years old.

Parent / guardian name

Parent / guardian phone number

B. Eligibility

I am aged 16-25 (as of October 2026) *

Yes No

I live in Lambeth *

Yes No

If no, which borough do you live in?

I am currently *

In school / college At university Employed Not in education, employment or training (NEET)
Other

If other, please specify

Is your family currently in receipt of any means-tested benefits (e.g. Universal Credit, Income Support, Housing Benefit, Pension Credit)?

Yes No Prefer not to say

If you personally currently receive Universal Credit, PIP, ESA, JSA or another benefit: taking part in Press Forward as an unpaid trainee is generally treated like volunteering and shouldn't affect your benefit amount, but you should tell your Jobcentre work coach or benefits adviser before you start, as individual circumstances vary. We can't give personal benefits advice, but are happy to help however we can - contact outreach@artichokeprintworkshop.co.uk.

Socio-economic background

This programme is funded to prioritise young people from low socio-economic backgrounds, so we ask the standard questions used by the UK Social Mobility Commission and Cabinet Office to understand and assess this as part of eligibility. There's no 'wrong' answer, and you're welcome to select 'prefer not to say' / 'I don't know' for any of them.

Which type of secondary school did you attend for the most time between the ages of 11 and 16?

A state-run or state-funded school
A state-run or state-funded school that selected on the basis of academic ability, faith or other grounds
Independent or fee-paying school
e.g. a private school
Independent or fee-paying school, where I received a bursary covering 90% or more of my tuition
Attended school outside the UK
I don't know
Prefer not to say

If you finished school after 1980, were you eligible for free school meals at any time between the ages of 11 and 16?

Yes
No
Not applicable
finished school before 1980, or went to school overseas
I don't know
Prefer not to say

When you were aged about 14, what was the occupation of the main or highest income earner in your household?

Professional occupations

e.g. teacher, nurse, social worker, artist, musician, accountant, solicitor, engineer

Managers, including senior, middle, or junior

e.g. finance manager, office manager, retail manager, restaurant manager

Clerical and intermediate occupations

e.g. secretary, PA, office clerk, call centre agent, nursery nurse

Routine, semi-routine manual or service occupations

e.g. postal worker, security guard, cleaner, sales assistant, driver, waiter/bar staff

Technical and craft occupations

e.g. motor mechanic, plumber, printer, electrician, gardener

I don't know

Prefer not to say

When you were aged about 14, what was the highest level of qualification achieved by either of your parents or guardians?

Degree level or degree equivalent or above

e.g. first or higher degree, postgraduate diploma, NVQ/SVQ level 4 or 5

Qualifications below degree level

e.g. A-Level, GCSE, O-Level, NVQ/SVQ, BTEC

No qualifications

I don't know or cannot remember

Prefer not to say

Not applicable

e.g. grew up in care

Do you have some existing creative skills in drawing, painting, or a related visual art form? (Prior printmaking experience is not required, but some existing skill in drawing or painting is.) *

Yes

No

If yes, please share 1-3 examples of your drawing, painting or other creative work using one of these options: attach photos to your emailed application; enclose printed photos with a paper form; share a link below; or simply bring examples along to one of our Open Days (see website for dates) - we're happy to look at sketchbooks or artwork in person, no formal portfolio needed. If you'd prefer to submit a video application instead, email outreach@artichokeprintworkshop.co.uk and we'll arrange this with you.

Link to your work (optional) - Instagram, website, online portfolio, etc.

Do you consider yourself to have a disability, long-term health condition, or be neurodivergent (e.g. autistic, ADHD, dyslexic, dyspraxic)?

Yes

No

Prefer not to say

Is there anything - a disability or access need, or a practical barrier like cost, travel, time, or confidence - that might make it harder for you to take part? Tell us so we can plan for this and help remove barriers wherever we can.

C. About You

Why do you want to take part in Press Forward - what draws you to printmaking or making things with your hands, and what do you hope to gain from it? *

D. Commitment & Availability

Press Forward runs from October 2026 to July 2027 and includes: weekend printmaking workshops (10am-5pm, roughly monthly on Saturdays), monthly group sessions on Wednesday evenings (6-9pm), ten hours of open access studio time, ten 1-to-1 mentoring sessions, and a final exhibition of your own project from 14-21 July 2027. You'll need to be able to commit to at least 80% of these sessions.

I confirm I can commit to at least 80% of sessions across October 2026 - July 2027, including the final exhibition in July 2027. *

Are there any dates you already know you can't attend?

E. How You Heard About Us

Were you referred by a school, youth service, or organisation (e.g. Baytree Centre, Lambeth Made, a school or college)? If so, please name them.

Contact name / email for that organisation (if known)

F. Consent & Declaration

I consent to Artichoke Print Workshop storing and using my personal data for the purpose of this application and, if successful, for delivering the programme. *

I am happy to be photographed or filmed for exhibitions, marketing and evaluation purposes

Yes No

Parent / guardian consent - required only if the applicant is under 18 years old.

I give permission for the above named young person to take part in the Press Forward programme.

Parent / guardian signature (type full name)

Date

I confirm the information given in this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant signature (type full name) *

Date *

Optional: we'd also love your help monitoring who Press Forward reaches, so we can keep improving access for underrepresented young people. This is a separate, short, anonymous form and has no bearing on your application - see www.artichokeprintworkshop.co.uk/press-forward for the link, or email a completed copy to monitoring@artichokeprintworkshop.co.uk.

Thank you for applying to Press Forward

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