

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED FOR THE 2022



**THE WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF UPHOLDERS
TRAVEL BURSARY**

APPLICATION DEADLINE 31 MAY 2022



THE WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF UPHOLDERS TRAVEL BURSARY IN MEMORY OF PAST MASTER RAY USHER

Introduction

The Worshipful Company of Upholders is very pleased to invite applications for its **2022** travel bursary.

Eligibility

Applicants should be over the age of 18 and normally resident in the UK. The scheme is open to applicants who need to undertake travel with regard to any aspect of the trades currently represented by the Company, namely upholstery and soft furnishings, the funeral trade and the bedding industry.

Application of the bursary

The award is designed to cover, or make a contribution to, an individual's travel and subsistence costs in the UK and/or overseas in connection with their education or personal development.

Applications for travel costs from home to usual place of study, or for support on compulsory tours (e.g. as part of a university group), will not normally be considered.

The travel should be related to the applicant's employment, training, education, or authorship of papers or books. The focus of the travel could include: design, manufacture (craft or industrial), service improvement, history, exhibitions and conferences, teaching and training or the conservation of furniture textiles.

The proposed travel should take place within the timeframes set out in the timetable.

Retrospective applications will not be considered.

Value of the bursary

The scheme will comprise of a single, flat sum bursary payment of up to GBP 1,000.

Applications

Applications must be made on the attached application form and returned by the deadline date to the Clerk of the Worshipful Company of Upholders by post or by e-mail.

Two members of the Court of the Company will be the sole adjudicators of the entries and their decision will be final. No subsequent correspondence will be entered into.

The successful applicant will be required to submit a short report together with photographs within one month of completing their travel. The report, or an edited version of it, may be published in the Company's newsletter, 'Upbraid' and on the Company's website.

Successful applicants are expected to make due acknowledgement of the receipt of the bursary in any associated material produced by them in connection with their travels (e.g. articles, dissertations, journals, blogs).

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CLERK (GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE): MRS R J SELFE, CHESTERWOOD, HOLLYMEAD ROAD, CHIPSTEAD, SURREY CR5 3LQ
REGISTERED OFFICE: 168 SHOREDITCH HIGH STREET, LONDON E1 6RA. VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER 524 6022 76

2022 Timetable

The 2022 timetable is set out below:

31 May 2022	Deadline for receipt of applications.
20 June 2022	Assessment of applications and notification of decision.
1 July 2022 to 31 March 2023	Period during which travel is expected to occur.
30 days after travel completed	Submission of report by the successful applicant to the Clerk of the Company.

About the Upholders

The Worshipful Company of Upholders is one of the ancient Livery Companies of the City of London and was formed on 1 March 1360. It received the grant of its Coat of Arms in 1465 in the reign of Edward IV, and its Royal Charter was granted by Charles 1 on 14 June, 1626 and incorporated by a Royal Charter granted by King Charles II in 1626.

The term 'Upholder' is an archaic word for 'upholsterer'. In past times Upholders carried out not just the manufacture and sale of upholstered goods but were cabinet makers, undertakers, soft furnishers, auctioneers and valuers. It can trace its history back to the early days of the Craft Guilds in which were fostered the high quality of goods and the high standards of workmanship that have always been the pride of English industry.

Today the Company draws its membership from its traditional trades and from the present-day professional of the City. Its main purpose is to uphold the livery of the Worshipful Company of Upholders, ensuring it continues to flourish, to uphold the craft of the Upholder and, through charitable giving, uphold individuals and organisations connected with our trade and livery. More information can be found at www.upholders.co.uk.

About Ray Usher (1932 to 2017)

Thomas Raymond (Ray) Usher was Master of the Worshipful Company of Upholders in 2006-2007. Born in Easington Colliery, Co. Durham, he attended Sheffield University and then entered the insurance industry, ultimately becoming CEO of a large City-based international insurance group. He travelled extensively both for business and for pleasure and strongly believed in the importance of travel and the benefits it can bring to an individual's education and development. This award is funded through the Worshipful Company of Upholders Peter Jackson Charity from a bequest made by the Usher family.

The Worshipful Company of Upholders

March 2022



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APPLICATION FORM 2022

Please complete and return to The Clerk by 31 May 2022

By post: Travel Bursary Applications, The Clerk of the Worshipful Company of Upholders, Chesterwood,
Hollymead Road, Chipstead, Surrey CR5 3LQ

Or by e-mail: clerk@upholders.co.uk

1 Details of the applicant

Name (full):	
Address (permanent):	
Address (correspondence, if different):	
Telephone number(s):	
E-mail:	
Date of birth:	
Qualifications:	

2 Company, firm or educational establishment at which the applicant is employed/studying

Status	Employed / Self employed / Student / Other (please state)*
Type of business, or course being studied*:	
Name of Company, firm or educational establishment:	
Address:	

* Delete as appropriate

3 The nature of the application

Amount applied for (maximum £1,000)	£
In no more than 750 words, set out the travel you are proposing. Please explain its relevance to your studies or employment, your personal goals and the expected outcomes and benefits. Please indicate an itinerary, approximate timescale, costs and professional contacts if appropriate. Some indication of the nature of likely support from the candidate's employer and other sponsors should also be included.	

4 Declaration by the applicant

<p>i. I confirm all information in this application is true and accurate</p> <p>ii. I hereby give assurance that my proposed travel not be undertaken without receipt of the bursary which I promise to use solely for the purpose set out in section 3 above.</p> <p>iii. Should my application be successful, I agree to provide, within one month of completion of my travel, a written report (with photographs) of approximately 1,500 words on the experience and how I have or will benefit from it.</p> <p>iv. Should my application be successful, I agree to the Company publishing (including on its website and in its newsletter) my details and all or part of the report if so desired.</p>	
Signed:	Date: