

Report on ICOM-UK Bursary and Camilla Boodle Funds 2018 - 2019

Background

ICOM-UK provides up to £5000 a year to be distributed through the bursary scheme and also has a limited fund that was a donation from Camilla Boodle, a former ICOM-UK member, to provide small funds to ICOM-UK members who wish to visit museums prior to or post a conference.

The last two years has seen a more complicated Bursary Programme. 2018 saw the financial year for ICOM-UK change from being 1st January until 31st December to October 1st - September 30th. This had major implications for the ICOM-UK Bursary programme. 2018 had been a very quiet year and if the old financial year was to have continued we would only have had three applicants we would have funded which would have totalled just over £2000. All of these were to attend conferences in September 2018, but one offer was withdrawn as the applicant became uncontactable after moving jobs.

The ICOM-UK Board met and agreed that the unspent funds could be carried forward into the new financial year, something which had not happened in the past. In effect this meant that the Bursary Committee had £10 000 to distribute in bursaries from January 1st 2018 until September 30th 2019. This decision was taken for several reasons but the main reason was that it allowed additional funds to support members wanting to attend the ICOM Triennial in Kyoto in September 2019.

It should be added here, that the Bursary Committee review the applications based on the date they are received, a first come first served policy. We are therefore not biased by the applicants chosen conference for example. Even with the carry-over of funds from 2018/2019 we were able to only fund 12 applications and after these we were unable to review/fund any applications that followed. We received a further 10 applications, mostly requests for funds to attend the Triennial in Kyoto, which we had no funds for. It is worth noting That ICOM-UK bursaries provided funding for four ICOM-UK members to attend the ICOM Triennial in Kyoto.

This year has also seen a key moment in the relationship between ICOM-UK and the UK Overseas Territories. The Falkland Islands Museum and National Trust who have been institutional members of ICOM-UK for many years received a £1000 bursary to send a staff member to attend a conference in Bermuda. This was also the only institutional application that we received in this present round of applications.

The 12 successful ICOM-UK Bursary applicants will have represented ICOM-UK at 8 different conferences on 4 continents. A condition for each Bursary recipient is that they write a report and these reports from those who attend the conferences they are uploaded onto the ICOM-UK website which provides our members with further information on each of these conferences and what our applicants did.

In total we distributed just slightly less than £10000 budget we had for 2018-2019 combined financial years.

Please note that Bursary Applications are open for attendance at conferences and we still have some funds left for this financial year. Please remember that people can already apply for conferences that happen after October 1st 2020 and these will come out of next year's budgets.

Here is a list of the successful applicants and the conferences they have attended or are planning to attend. If they all claim the full amounts we have agreed then the total Bursary spend for January 1st 2018-October 30th 2019 will be £9999.51.

Name	Organisation	Conference	Conference Date	Grant paid
Mimi Waitzman	Horniman Museum	CIMCIM in Shanghai	10-16 September 2018	845.51
Jenny Wedgbury	Freelancer	CECA annual conference in Tbilisi, Georgia	23rd to 27th of September 2018	660
Total Committed for Financial Year 1st January - 30 September 2018				1505.51
Bursary Applications 1st October 2018-September 30th 2019				
Miriam Kleingeltink	student at Camberwell College of Arts, University of Arts London	AIC PMG & ICOM-CC PMWG JOINT MEETING - "How and Why: Photograph Conservation Today"	19-23 February, 2019	988.70
Alison Barton	Falkland Islands Museum and National Trust	18th International Conference of National Trusts, New York	27-30th March 2019	1000
Gabriele Rossi Rognoni	Royal College of Music Museum	ICOM Kyoto	1-7 Sept 2019	1000
Maria Paula Arias	Phd Student	Museums and the web, Boston	2-6 April 2019	1000
Amy Crossman	Consultant	4th International conference on Pest Management	21-23 May 2019	750
Foteini Aravani	Museum of London	ICOM Kyoto	1-7 Sept 2019	1000
Luna Venturi	Art & Culture Translated Ltd	ICOM Kyoto 2019	1-7 Sept 2019	1000
Patricia Allen	Glasgow Life (museums)	Human Remains Management	11-13 March 2019	398.46
Eleanor Gawne	Architectural Association School of Architecture	ARCLIB Gobalism, Diversity, Exchange	8-11 may 2019	520
Chungwen Lin	Ming-Ai (London) Institute	ICOM Kyoto	1-7 Sept 2019	646
Total Committed for Financial Year 1st October 2018 - 30 September 2019				8303.16

Total for All Bursaries - £9808.67

Camilla Boodle Fund

We also had three successful applications for the maximum fund of £250 from the Camilla Boodle fund.