





The Commonwealth Heritage Forum and City & Guilds of London Art School are pleased to offer:

Introduction to Global Conservation: Commonwealth Summer School

22 July - 2 August 2024



Level: Beginner to Intermediate

Tutors: tbc

SHORT COURSE OVERVIEW

Be inspired by this rare opportunity to learn historic conservation skills in one of the few art schools in Britain still teaching traditional craftsmanship. In the first week, you will learn a range of stonework and masonry skills offered at the City & Guilds of London Art School. You will be invited to share ideas and exchange approaches from the projects you are currently working on in a discursive environment. This will involve group visits to some of London's most iconic and important historic buildings, for example to Westminster Abbey and the Houses of Parliament, to learn how these skills were originally applied and to better understand contemporary approaches to the conservation of existing fabric.



In the second week, you will learn the specific skills that are relevant to the preparation and use of lime mortar, lime render, lime plaster, lime wash and limecrete. In the Art School's specialist workshops, you will have hands-on opportunities to try out these techniques. You will work in an exciting art school context and be taught by a range of leading specialists.

During the programme you will have the opportunity hear a talk on the philosophy of conservation, allowing you to synthesise practical experience with broader cultural understandings.



DATES: The course begins on Monday 22 July and ends on Friday 2 August 2024*

*Bursary recipients will arrive at London Heathrow airport on 21 July and depart

on 3 August 2024.

LOCATION: City & Guilds of London Art School

124 Kensington Park Road

London SEII 4DJ

The Summer School courses and lectures will be held on-site at the City & Guilds of London Art School. The Commonwealth Heritage Forum will arrange for, and fund, local short-term student accommodation for bursary recipients within walking distance of the City & Guilds campus.

FUNDING

The Commonwealth Heritage Forum will award up to twenty-four (24) full bursaries to include: course fees, including accommodation and lunch meals whilst on campus at City & Guilds; a stipend for sundries and weekday breakfast and dinner meals; return air travel from your home country to London Heathrow airport; travel from London Heathrow airport to the short-term student accommodation in London; and UK visitor visa costs (if applicable).

What isn't included: If possible, please bring a steel tape measure, an A3 sketchbook, pencil, rubber and ruler. Please wear old clothes you don't mind spoiling (or bring an apron) and pack steel toe cap boots.

ELIGIBILITY

We invite bursary applicants from citizens and/or residents of Commonwealth member states.

There are no academic entry requirements for the bursaries or the Summer School. However, applicants should have prior experience in the built environment, whether academic, practically or professionally. Priority will be given to those seeking to advance their knowledge and career in the heritage sector.

The bursaries are intended for those developing a career in the heritage and conservation sectors, and with the desire to use and develop their skills to improve the historic built environment for this, and future, generations. The programme will particularly benefit architects, engineers, planners, builders, craftspeople and those interested in heritage building crafts and architecture, and how these factors respond to the local identity of historic contexts in a timeless and ecological way.

APPLICATION

To apply for this bursary opportunity, please send the following materials to info@chstrainingprogramme.org by 11:59PM GMT on Monday 8 April 2024:

- a cover letter (one A4 page) detailing your relevant experience and how you would benefit from the Summer School experience;
- your CV; and
- a copy of the photo page of your valid passport, issued by a Commonwealth member state

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: 11:59PM GMT on Monday 8 April 2024

QUESTIONS AND ENQUIRES

If you have any questions about bursary eligibility or require further information about the Commonwealth Heritage Forum, please contact info@chstrainingprogramme.org.



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