

# COCKPIT ARTS



## Call for Applications: Cockpit Arts / Haberdashers' Award 2017 Deadline: Wednesday 1 February, 12 Noon

Applications are invited for the Cockpit Arts / The Haberdashers' Awards which aim to assist designer-makers working in knit to set up in business by providing studio space and business support provided by Cockpit Arts.

The Awards are generously supported by The Haberdashers' Company, with additional support from The Framework Knitters' Company. There are **2 Awards available** and the selection panel (including a high profile Guest Judge who is a knit specialist and a representative from The Haberdashers' Company as well as The Framework Knitters' Company) will be looking for individuals who demonstrate **entrepreneurial spirit** as well as **creative excellence** and **craft skills** and are **committed to working closely with Cockpit Arts** to realise their longer term goals.

### The Award

Cockpit Arts / The Haberdashers' Award recipients will be awarded a place at a Cockpit Arts incubator for a year. This includes the following benefits:

- Studio space for a year within the creative community at Cockpit Arts, London.
- Business and professional development services including on-site coaching, a personalised development plan, access to finance, workshops and events.
- Help with equipment and materials from The Framework Knitters' Company
- Technical and commercial advice provided by The Framework Knitters' Company
- A range of selling and promotional opportunities including the popular Cockpit Arts Open Studios events.
- Opportunity to collaborate with other designer-makers in the Cockpit community.
- Access to office facilities and resource centre.

## How to Apply

Please request a “Cockpit Arts / The Haberdashers’ Award” application pack from [dana@cockpitarts.com](mailto:dana@cockpitarts.com)

Deadline for receipt of applications is **Wednesday 1 February, 12 Noon**

Interviews with shortlisted applicants will be held on Thursday 16 February 2017

Winners will be expected to take up their place at Cockpit Arts from March 2017



Cockpit Arts is an award winning social enterprise and the UK’s only [business incubator](#) for craftspeople, housing up to 170 small businesses at our two centres in central and south London. We support [craft practitioners](#) at the start of their careers, as well as those who are more established, to grow and build successful and thriving businesses both in the UK and internationally. We work with a wide range of talented individuals, including master craftspeople, artist-makers, batch producers and more scalable businesses.

[www.cockpitarts.com](http://www.cockpitarts.com)

The Haberdashers' Company is one of the Great Twelve Livery Companies and has a long history closely connected to the development of the City of London. Arising from this and in the 21st Century the Company plays a major role in the provision of support to education and is a vibrant participant in new educational initiatives. Alongside this remains a continuing commitment to charitable work that continues to play an important part in the work of the Company.

<http://www.haberdashers.co.uk/>

The Framework Knitters' Company is one of the Livery Companies of the City of London. Unlike many other companies, the Framework Knitters' Company has retained close connections to its original trade, most members of the company being involved with the craft. The company does not, however, function only as a trade association of knitters, also supporting various charities.

<http://www.frameworkknitters.co.uk/>

*Images: 2014 Award Winner Caro Volpi (Page One) and 2015 Winner Katie Jones (Page Two)*