



Call for Entries:

The Cockpit Arts / Haberdashers' Award 2019



[Previous Winners, from L to R: Carlo Volpi 2014, Mila Harris-Mussi 2017, Genevieve Sweeney 2015 and Olivia Holland 2017.]

About the Award

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

The Awards are generously supported by The Haberdashers' Company. There are 3 Awards available and the selection panel will include representatives from Cockpit Arts, The Haberdashers' Company and The Framework Knitters' Company. They 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 Cockpit Arts / Haberdashers' Award recipient will be awarded a place at Cockpit Arts for one year worth £5,000.

The Award includes the following benefits:

- Studio space for a year within the creative community at Cockpit Arts, London
- Technical and commercial advice provided by The Framework Knitters' Company
- Business incubation / acceleration services including on-site coaching and workshops
- Selling and promotional opportunities including Cockpit Arts twice-yearly Open Studios public selling weekends and other events
- Opportunity to collaborate with other makers in the Cockpit community
- Access to office facilities and resource centre

How to Apply

- Complete the questions below, if you have any problems with the form then please contact maxine@cockpitarts.com
- Deadline for receipt of applications is 12noon on **8th January 2019**
- Interviews with shortlisted applicants will be held on **28th January 2019**
- Applicants will be expected to move into Cockpit Arts no later than **1st March 2019** and attend our Awardee Induction Day **5th March 2019**

Eligibility

We welcome applications from makers across all ages, backgrounds and nationalities, and all stages of their careers. To be eligible to apply, you must:

- Be a UK resident currently living in the UK and entitled to remain in the UK for the period of the Award (Cockpit Arts is not able to sponsor or support visa applications in any way.)
- Be willing and able to make a commitment to take up the Award for its full one-year duration from **1st March 2019**
- Be available to attend an introduction to the Haberdashers' Company at the Charities Committee luncheon on the **30th April 2019, from 12.30pm**

About Cockpit Arts

Cockpit Arts is an award winning social enterprise and the UK's only [business incubator](#) for craftspeople. 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. We work with a wide range of talented individuals, including master craftspeople, artist-makers, batch producers and more scalable businesses. Our business incubation services comprise workspace, on-site business coaching and business support workshops, selling and promotional opportunities, as well as referral to specialist advisors and access to finance. We also work with hundreds of other craft businesses based in other parts of the UK and overseas through our training workshops and [consultancy arm](#), as well as remotely via our online resources.

About The Haberdashers' Company

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/>

About The Framework Knitters' Company

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/>