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### **Alasdair Gray Inspiring Scotland Bursary**

**Deadline NOON Monday 18 February 2019**

Following on from the success of the 2017 Alasdair Gray Bursary, which saw folksinger Iona Fyffe produce her album *Away from My Window* through the Bursary and go onto be announced as Scots Singer of the Year at the MG ALBA Scots Trad Music Awards 2018, the Saltire Society is again offering a £1000 bursary in Alasdair Gray's name.

The 2018 Alasdair Gray Inspiring Scotland Bursary will be made to an emerging creative who offers exceptional potential and can demonstrate how the bursary will benefit their creative development.

Judging will be made by an independent panel of experts with the recipient announced in March 2019.

#### **Criteria:**

Applicants must:

- Be pursuing a career in music, fine arts, theatre, dance or cultural studies
- Be based in Scotland
- Not have worked in their specific area for more than five years

Application should include a detailed description of the project they would undertake and how this opportunity would enhance their career.

The bursary cannot be used to cover costs of recording or the purchase of equipment such as musical instruments.

The winner will be expected to present a personal visual record of their experiences via social media, blogs and/or a verbal presentation.

#### **Details to be included in your application:**

- Contact details: name, address, email, telephone, social media handles and website if applicable
- A brief description of your project (no more than 50 words)
- Full details of your project (no more than 1000 words)
- Project budget

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- A brief description on how receiving this bursary will benefit your development in the arts (no more than 250 words)
- A short biography (no more than 250 words)
- Examples of your previous work if appropriate/applicable.

**Please send your application to:**

saltire@saltiresociety.org.uk with the subject: Alasdair Gray Bursary

**By noon on Monday 18 February 2019**

**About the Saltire Society**

- The Saltire Society seeks to encourage everything that might improve the quality of life in Scotland. It works to preserve all that is best in Scottish traditions and to encourage new developments which can strengthen and enrich the country's cultural life. It acts as a catalyst, celebrant and commentator through an annual programme of awards, lectures, debates and projects. Founded in 1936 is a non-political independent charity with membership branches throughout Scotland.
- Membership of the Saltire Society is open to all individuals and organisations that support the aims of the Society. More information here: [www.saltiresociety.org.uk](http://www.saltiresociety.org.uk)