

PORTAL 2023

Deadline for entries: 9am, 3 July 2023

Llantarnam Grange is looking for new voices in contemporary art and craft to exhibit in our annual graduate showcase Portal.

If you have graduated from any BA or MA (Hons), visual or applied arts course from a UK university in 2023, then you are eligible to apply.

What is Portal?

Portal is an opportunity for fifteen graduating craftspeople, artists, designers, photographers and makers to take part in the annual exhibition of graduate artists in Llantarnam Grange, Cwmbran, south Wales.

Portal is also a wider conversation about your practice and ambitions, where staff and supporting freelancers act as a sounding board and network. Assisting you in developing a healthy career in the sector.

What is on offer?

Portal is a group exhibition opportunity at Llantarnam Grange that will take place in Gallery 1. Selected artists will gain experience in showing their work to the public, being part of a publication, and building new artistic communities.

Through working closely with our team, this will act as a learning opportunity to help develop practical skills and demystify working in the arts.

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There will be some mentoring opportunities in-house with our Director, Exhibitions Officer, Senior Engagement Officer or Market and Development Officer.

Each exhibiting artist will receive a fee of £100 for their involvement, plus the costs of one way transportation of their work to Llantarnam Grange.

Eligibility

- You must have graduated from a UK university in visual or applied arts (MA or BA (Hons) in 2023.
- At least five places will be offered to global majority artists, disabled artists and/or Welsh speaking artists.

How much does it cost?

Portal is completely free to enter and free to take part in. We will pay artists a minimum of £100 for taking part.

Key Dates

- Deadline: 9am Monday 3 July 2023
- All artist statements and artist images to be sent to the Exhibition Officer by 10 July latest.
- Delivery of work by 2 August 2023 at the latest.
- Exhibition Dates: 11 August – 4 November 2023
- Opening Event: 6-8pm, Friday 11 August 2023

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- Arrange return of work by 17 November 2023 at the latest.

If these dates have to change, we will inform all artists at the earliest opportunity.

How do I apply?

Fill in our online application [here](#).

<https://form.jotform.com/231353621205343>

This includes:

- 100 words explaining why you're interested in Portal 2023
- 150 word artist statement
- Up to three images and/or a document including links to up to three video files (publicly hosted and visible on vimeo/youtube etc)

The maximum file size for upload is 10MB.

Please complete your application before **9am, Monday 3 July 2023**.

If you have any questions about Portal 2023, the process, or just simply want to talk about your application or ideas, then please get in touch with Savanna Dumelow at:

savanna.dumelow@llantarnamgrange.com

We are aware that deadlines can be daunting and difficult to reach for reasons beyond our control. If you feel that you would like to apply, but for whatever reason you will

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not make the deadline, please get in touch and we will be happy to informally and confidentially discuss a plan.

What's the process?

After the deadline on **Monday 3rd July 2023**, entries will be collected and reviewed by staff at Llantarnam Grange, plus two independent, external selectors, tbc.

Artists will be notified of a decision by **Friday 7 July 2023**, and we will endeavour to offer feedback from the selection panel if requested.

Selected artists will be expected to provide information and images about their work in a timely fashion so that we can produce and curate the exhibition in time for the opening event on **Friday 11th August 2023**.

After the exhibition ends on **Saturday 4th November 2023**, we ask that all selected artists collect or arrange return delivery for their work with our Exhibitions Officer no later than **Saturday 17 November 2023**.

Good luck!