**Talent Development Access Support**

British Ceramics Biennial has a commitment to equality and diversity in the field of contemporary ceramics. As part of the Fresh Talent Development programme we are offering bursaries to support people early in their career and who face barriers in attending exhibitions and training as part of their professional development.

**The Application**

Please [Click here for the application](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSehqnJTigDMkoGN8NPy0xnA98guc6cOHfynG45MD1zDnlhavQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

**What support is available?**

If we can help with your application form please contact us: access@britishceramicsbiennial.com

The BCB Access Support can be used to cover travel costs of the applicant and any other reasonable costs incurred in visiting or attending the festival or festival events.

**Caring Support**

**Criteria:** This also includes, but is not limited to people who are caring for children or elderly parents.

**D/deaf, disabled\* and neurodivergent Artists Access Support**

**Criteria**: We actively encourage applications from D/deaf disabled\* and neurodivergent artists.

**The Bursary:** This support can be also used to cover the cost of a support worker (including signer/interpreter), the travel costs of the applicant, the travel costs of an accompanying carer.

\*The Equality Act 2010 defines a disabled person as someone who has a physical or mental impairment, and the impairment has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on their ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities.  Sharing that you are disabled will not be used in any way in judging the quality of your application.

**Ethnic Diversity Travel and Costs Support**

**Criteria**: We actively encourage applications from ethnic groups who are under-represented in contemporary ceramics

**Covid-19 Impact Support for Travel Costs**

**Criteria**: For artists, makers, designers, arts and culture professionals whose career development has been negatively impacted by Covid-19 and feel this support could be helpful in visiting the BCB festival or attending festival events. We are prioritising independent artists, freelancers and those made redundant.

**Low Income Support**

**Criteria**: For individuals who earn £18,200\* or below, or who’s average household income per person is £18,200\* or below and feel this support could be helpful in visiting the BCB festival or attending festival events

\*this is based on the national living wage of £10 per hour

**LGBTQIA+ Travel and Cost Support**

**Criteria**: This support is for individuals who identify as LGBTQIA+ and feel this support could be helpful in visiting the BCB festival or attending festival events.

**With thanks**

We are grateful to those who have supported the Fresh Talent Development Fundraiser in January-February 2021 the funds raised at this time underpin this opportunity and commitment to enhancing equality and diversity in the field.