

JOAN WAKELIN BURSARY 2022

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The Joan Wakelin Bursary was first set up in 2005 to remember distinguished documentary photographer and Honorary Fellow of the Society, Joan Wakelin, who died in 2003. The Bursary is administered by the Society in partnership with The Guardian and offers £2000 for the production of a photographic essay on a social documentary issue. If you wish to apply, please carefully read through the online application form and fill in each section, along with eight images evidencing your approach to the medium and photographic ability.

By its nature, the Bursary is intended to fund new projects and support for ongoing projects will not be considered. The Bursary will be awarded to an individual, not to a group or partnership. The Bursary does not support projects requiring travel to, or within, war zones.

Entries are free and open to all, of any age or nationality

- Opening date March 2022
- Closing date 11 July 2022.

Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed via Zoom in September, tbc. Unfortunately, we will not be able to provide individual feedback due to the volume of applications.

Your work will be published in the RPS Journal and the Guardian and RPS websites and we will be looking for an applicant who has a clear idea of where and how they will use their images to get their messages across to as wide an audience as possible.

Please take into consideration the environmental impact your project will have with regards to travel and explain how you plan to minimise this.

Submitting your Application

Images

You will firstly be asked to load your 8 images with titles, the titles can simply be numerical if they don't have any. There is also the opportunity to add captions for further description if you wish. These images must relate to the section Past Project in your application.

IMPORTANT – remember to click save once you have done the above or you will not be able to submit the application at the end of the process.

Information about your project

Please ensure that you fill in each section with as much detail as you can.

You will be asked to give a clear financial breakdown on how you plan to spend the bursary, the time scale and what you plan to do with the work on completion.

Please take into consideration the environmental impact your project will have and tell us how you plan to minimise this.

Submitting your project

The submission button at the top of the page above your images, will only appear if you have completed all the required section in the application, including up-loading and giving your images a title.

Once you have submitted your application you have up to the closing date to edit your work and resubmit. You can access your submission via the confirmation email which includes a link to the main page. You can find your application in Applications at the very top of this page or via the yellow bar under RPS Bursaries.

Applications will not be accepted via email.

For further information, please contact Jo Macdonald, Awards Manager – 0117 316 4475 or jo@rps.org.

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