

Volunteers for Museum Learning The Marsh Trust Award

The British Museum and the Marsh Charitable Trust are pleased to invite applications for the Marsh Trust Award. This award recognises innovation, dedication and excellence shown by volunteers who engage the public in museums, galleries and heritage sites across the UK.

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The Marsh Trust Award is looking for applications which demonstrate the ways in which an individual or group of volunteers have made a difference to their museum or heritage site during 2023, whether through a contribution to their institution, local community or audiences.

Applications are welcomed from museums, galleries, historic houses and heritage sites of all sizes. The award scheme highlights and celebrates volunteers and their important contribution to learning and engagement. The prizes are awarded to the volunteer(s), not the museum. They will be presented at a ceremony at the British Museum on the afternoon of 23 September 2024.

The prizes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ £500 and a certificate awarded to a winner from each region – one from each of the nine English regions, and one each from Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.▪ £2,000 awarded to an overall winner selected from the regional winners.
The criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ We are looking for applications which demonstrate that an individual volunteer or a small group of volunteers have enhanced visitors' learning and enjoyment.▪ The volunteering activity can take place within the museum or off-site, or contribute to an online project that supports learning.▪ Applications should focus on the achievements of a specific volunteer or a small team. The prizes are awarded to the volunteer(s), not the museum.▪ The volunteering highlighted in the application form must have taken place during 2023.
Who can enter?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ An individual or small group of volunteers who engage with the public in a museum, gallery or heritage site.▪ Multiple individuals or small groups of volunteers from the same museum or gallery are welcome to apply.▪ Volunteers can nominate themselves but they must have the support of their organisation.▪ A museum may enter on behalf of an individual volunteer or group of volunteers.▪ British Museum volunteers are not permitted to apply.
How to enter	<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Simply complete the application form on the next page, or download it at britishmuseum.org/marshaward▪ In addition to the application form, please provide a short description of the voluntary activity you are nominating for an award (maximum 250 words).▪ Briefly describe how the volunteer(s) have enhanced the museum experience for visitors or made a difference to their heritage site (maximum 250 words).▪ Include examples of positive feedback from visitors, museum staff and/or local community members.▪ Include up to five photographs related to the volunteer activity and/or your site. Include a leaflet about your museum if you have one.</div> <div><p>Please send your completed application form, statement and all supporting documents to:</p><p>Volunteers office The British Museum Great Russell Street London WC1B 3DG</p><p>Or email: volunteers@britishmuseum.org</p><p>Entries must be received by 17.00 on Friday 12 July 2024</p></div>

**Volunteer/volunteer
team being nominated
for the award**

Organisation details

Name

Address

Postcode

Telephone

Which region or country is your museum or heritage site in?

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| Wales | North West England | East England |
| Northern Ireland | Yorkshire | London |
| Scotland | East Midlands | South East England |
| North East England | West Midlands | South West England |

How did you hear about the Marsh Trust Award?

If you are not a member of staff, please ask an appropriate museum or heritage site employee/Trustee to sign this form. In doing so they are verifying that you volunteer at that organisation and that they support your application.

Signature

Name

Job title

Email

**Your details
(person making
the nomination)**

Name

Address

Postcode

**Please indicate
how you wish to be
contacted in the
GDPR information
overleaf. We cannot
contact you without
this information.**

Telephone

Email

'The trip to the Marsh Awards was a fantastic opportunity for our young volunteers. After countless hours of hard work they put in, we were honoured to have received the Regional and National Marsh Award for our work on Overlooked.'

The Preservative Party, Leeds City Museum (National Winner 2023)



The British Museum will collect your name, contact details (email address, postal address and phone number) for the purposes of administration of the Marsh Award and to contact you about your application. We will share your personal data with the Marsh Charitable Trust for the purposes of judging and promoting the award on their website and in their Annual Review, and to allow the Trust to maintain a historical record of the Award. Details of the Trust's privacy policy can be found on their website at marshcharitabletrust.org/privacy

We will not use or share your personal data with anyone else for any other purpose. We will retain your personal data for one year following the completion of the judging process.

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Please indicate the methods by which we can contact you:

Email Phone Post

You may change your preferences at any time by emailing volunteers@britishmuseum.org

Members of The Preservative Party, Leeds City Museum (National Winners 2023), accompanied by Brian Marsh (Marsh Charitable Trust) and Muriel Gray (former Deputy Chair of the British Museum).

Front: Members of St Asaph Cathedral Heritage Garden Team. Joint winners of the Wales Award for 2023.

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