WHAT IS THE WILLIAM MORRIS CRAFT FELLOWSHIP TRUST?

Since 1987 fifty craftsmen and women have benefited from this unique training course. Each year three or four craftsmen of any trade involved in the repair of historic buildings are selected. They spend three blocks of two months spread over a year, travelling the country on a programme organised by the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings (SPAB). The first two blocks involve wide spread travel, meeting other craftsmen and professionals on site, visiting workshops, studios and sources of traditional materials. In the final block of two months, the opportunity is created for Fellows to develop their personal skills alongside some of these people.

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Each year, various companies and individuals have sponsored the Fellowship. The SPAB works hard at obtaining funding for the Fellowship, however, finding new sponsors has become increasingly difficult. The Fellows now feel that it is time to give something back, and so, have set up the William Morris Craft Fellowship Trust (WMCFT) so that the Fellowship can continue allowing other craftsmen and subsequently owners, companies and our heritage in general, to benefit.

“We regard the William Morris Fellowship as the ideal means of broadening the skills and experience of craftsmen who exhibit potential for development of their skills.”

Ronnie Spence, Permanent Secretary for the Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland.

The William Morris Fellowships have proved their worth and have never been more needed.”


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How you can help

By contributing to the WMCFT you are showing, whatever your background, that you realise the need for excellent craftsmanship in the repair of historic buildings whilst still being aware of the need to realise new design within historic contexts using this excellence.

The Standing Order and Gift Aid forms represent no extra cost to you. They cut administration meaning that more money can go towards funding our work. Just complete the forms and return them to us at the address below.

For further information on the WMCFT or the Fellowship please send an SAE to:

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