



Starr Trust Awards

ARTS AWARD

About Starr Trust Awards

Starr Trust Awards are for young people up to the age of 25 living in or linked to the Greater Brighton area who want to achieve more in their lives through fulfilling their potential. We provide:

- Financial grants up to £5000 to support training and development of skills
- Opportunities for connections and mentoring through our wider network of local experts where possible

The Arts Award is for the expression or application of human creative skill and imagination, including literature (including drama, poetry, and prose), performing arts (including dance, music, and theatre), and visual arts (including drawing, painting, filmmaking, architecture, ceramics, sculpture, and photography), art combining visual elements with performance (e.g. cinematography) and artwork with the written word (e.g. comics).

The award can be applied to a single cost or multiple costs; examples would be

- ❖ Equipment (e.g. computer software, dance kit, materials, instruments, sheet music)
- ❖ Lessons
- ❖ Courses
- ❖ Examinations
- ❖ Exhibitions
- ❖ Trips
- ❖ Memberships
- ❖ Competitions
- ❖ Associated travel and accommodation costs

These are just examples and not an exhaustive list.

Who is eligible to be nominated for an Award?

Nominees **must come from a low - income background** and fit one or more of the following criteria:

- live in or have links to the Greater Brighton area
- are experiencing difficulties in their lives
- have emotional, physical or learning challenges
- are facing a roadblock that is stopping them reaching their goal

Regardless of talent we are looking to develop young people in our community to be the very best they can be and achieve their untapped potential. We are looking for young people who see an opportunity for personal development but would be unable to move forward without our help. Starr Trust Awards are not about who the young person is now, but about who they could become.

Visit starrtrust.org/our-starrs to see past “Arts Starrs” and for guidance about the kinds of applications we support. If you are still unsure whether or not you qualify for an Award please get in touch with the Awards Team (see contact details below).

What a Starr Trust Award provides

Starr Trust Awards support a specific agenda that will last up to a period of 12 months. As well as helping with financial costs where required, Starr Award recipients will benefit from their Award in other ways for 12 months, including:

- Invites to our motivating Starr Chats and celebration evening
- Opportunities to meet professionals in their field of interest
- Opportunities that we hear about in other areas of Greater Brighton
- The chance to meet other Starrs and make new friends

We encourage our Starrs to:

- Keep us updated with their news
- Complete our feedback forms to let us know how they are doing
- Help our fundraising efforts and/or volunteer at some Starr Trust events

Where circumstances are appropriate, we may request Starrs to:

- engage with our supporters
- help us source a personal sponsor
- share their stories for fundraising purposes and at some Starr Trust events

How to nominate yourself or someone else for an Award

Nominations are put before our funding team each January and June. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else, please complete this form and submit it to us, preferably by email to awards@starrtrust.com.

Please note that nominations must be received by the following dates to be considered at our semiannual meetings. Any received after the cut-off date will be put forward for the following meeting, which will take place six months later.

- 1st April for consideration in June
- 1st December for consideration in January

Please note the above deadlines are subject to change.

As a small charity with limited funds it is incredibly important to us that any money awarded is able to make a meaningful difference to a young person’s life. Our funding team have to make very difficult decisions when we have more applications than funds, and these decisions are based on what impact the Award will have on the Nominee. Therefore, the more information you can give us to demonstrate this impact, the better.

We appreciate that a form isn’t always the best way to get your message across, so we welcome other formats to support the application, such as audio recordings, photographs and short videos. We do understand that this is not always possible and you will never be penalised for not including such material, however, please understand that it is easier for our Funding Team to make a decision when we have gleaned as much information about the Nominee as possible.

What happens if I need support for longer than a year?

A Starr Trust Award lasts for 12 months. After 9 months you will be given the opportunity to reapply for another Award.

Additionally, at each funding round the team will consider if any Nominees are eligible for our Rising Starr Award. Rising Starr Awards are for young people who would benefit from the stability of knowing the funds are in place for support that is required for more than 12 months and up to three years. In these cases, the first 12 months of funding of a Rising Starr is awarded from our fundraising pot, and after that we work closely with the young person to raise the remainder of the award through sponsorship where possible.

All information given on this form is treated with confidentiality, and will not be shared outside of the Application and Funding Team without the consent of the Nominee.

Terms and conditions of a Starr Trust Award:

All Awards including Rising Starrs are made entirely at the Funding Team's discretion, and must be spent as proposed in the submitted application. Where possible we will pay suppliers directly rather than providing cash awards to nominees.

If you are selected to be considered for a Rising Starr Award we will notify you separately and discuss your involvement in the process.

If the application is successful funding will only be issued after parental consent, proof of residence and proof of I.D. has been obtained.

All funds awarded must be claimed within a year of the funding being awarded unless specifically agreed otherwise.

If you are unsuccessful, we kindly request that you please wait at least 12 months before re-application to the Starr Trust.

If we need further information to support your application we may be in touch to ask some further questions.

It is your responsibility to ensure the application is complete. We will confirm receipt of the application form and reference, but other than that we cannot guarantee to be able to chase you for relevant information.

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If you have any queries please email awards@starrtrust.com or call our office on 01273 715882.

Apply to be an Arts Starr

1. Details of Nominee

Who is being nominated for an award?

Are they: (please tick)

a. aged 25 or under? b. living in or linked to the Greater Brighton area?

c. from a low income background?

and:

d. without family support?

e. experiencing difficulties in their lives?

f. having emotional, physical or learning challenges?

You must have ticked a, b and c and at least one of d, e or f to be eligible.

What is their:

- Date of Birth Age
- Address
- Telephone number
- Email address

2. Details of Nominator - your details (if different from above)

- Name
- Occupation
- Relationship to Nominee
- Email Address
- Phone Number
- Address

3. Amount of money requested

How much money are you applying for?:

4. Application Details

In no more than 500 words please give **FULL details of what the request is for**, and why you / the nominee needs our support. You may wish to include details about your history with the activity you are applying for and your plans for the future.

5. References

We require a reference from a relevant adult to support applications, e.g. teacher/ tutor/ course leader. Please supply their contact details and ask them to fill in our Referee Form (available on our website at starrtrust.org/apply), to be included with your application. Please also let your Referee know that we may contact them in relation to your application. It is the Nominator's responsibility to ensure that a completed Referee Form is included with your Application; Applications without references cannot be accepted. Referees must not in any way be a beneficiary of the award.

- Name of Referee
- Occupation
- Relevance to Application
- Email Address
- Telephone Number

6. Any other Information

Is there anything else we should know that will support your application to us? Has the Nominee passed any exams / received awards / represented your community or school / gained other recognition / gained any relevant experience, e.g. volunteering.

If the rest of this form has been completed by a representative of the young person applying, please ask the young person (if possible) to explain below how getting this award would make a difference to them. If possible please ask them to explain in the form of a video; they can send this to anthony@starrtrust.com.

Optional: If you have any other documentation to support your application, or that you feel would be useful for our Funding Team to see, please include with your application.

7. Costs

Please give a detailed breakdown of the costs of your application. *Please note the costs should be inclusive of VAT unless the item is designed specifically for the use of disabled children. If you are applying for equipment (such as musical instruments) we will purchase the item for you.*

If applying for equipment, please provide a financial quote from a professional, appropriately qualified person with your application.

If applying for course fees, what are the start and end dates of the course?

Start date

End date

8. Previous Applications Made

Has the Nominee ever applied for or received an Award from the Starr Trust before?
If so please give details of it and when it was given:

9. Partial Support

Will you still be able to take part in this activity if we support you but are unable to fund the full amount requested? Please give details.

10. Financial Breakdown

We require a detailed breakdown of the family's financial situation in order to assess eligibility for a financial award. All figures should be per calendar month; e.g. if there is a regular annual figure, divide by 12, and if there is a regular weekly income, multiply by 13 then divide by 3.

Income	£	Expenditure	£
Parent's take home wages		Rent/Mortgage	
Child Benefits		Council Tax	
Disability Living Allowance		Water/Gas, Electricity	
Other Benefits		Insurances	
Any other income		Car expenses (Petrol, Tax and Insurance)	
		Child care	
		Household expenses e.g. food	
		Telephone and television	
		Other expenditure	
Total monthly income		Total monthly expenditure	
Savings		Debts/Arrears	
Comments:			

11. Other Funding

Have you approached any other bodies for support with this proposal?

If so:

- Who have you approached?

- How much have you approached them for?

- When will you know if you have been successful?

Have you already received support for this proposal?

If so:

- Where has this support come from?

- How much have you been awarded?

12. Parental Consent if the Nominee is 18 years or under

If you do not know who to ask to co-sign this form then please call or email the Awards team for advice at awards@starrtrust.com or 01273 715882.

I am the parent/guardian of

I support this application

I do not support this application

Please explain reasons for not giving consent:

Name (please print):

Signed:

Address (if different from the nominee's address):

Email:

Date:

13. Declaration for Nominator

Please tick:

- I confirm that the information I have provided in this application is true to the best of my knowledge
- I confirm that the Nominee's parent/guardian has given their permission for this application to be made
- I confirm that I have read and that I understand the Starr Trust terms and conditions as set out below

How did you hear about us?

CHECK LIST

Please remember to:

- fully complete the details on this form
- include a completed Referee Form, completed by the Referee named on your application
- include a written quote provided by a professional or appropriately qualified person if asking for equipment
- provide as much information about the impact this Award would have on the Nominee, by video, audio recordings or photos where appropriate
- include any supporting letters/documentation e.g.: doctor, hospital, school, charity, awards, course details etc

Please email these documents to awards@starrtrust.com or send them by post to:
Starr Trust Awards, The Starr Trust, Verulam House, 142 Old Shoreham Road, Hove BN3 7DB

Thank you for your application.

You will receive confirmation of receipt of this application form by email within 7 days, and be informed of the date a decision will be made.

Please let us know in the meantime of any changes in circumstances that may affect this application.