**De Beers Group Jewellery Scholarships**

***At Morley College***

This prestigious scholarship offers a unique opportunity for 4 successful applicants to study jewellery-making (and related subjects) at Morley College in London.

Besides study funds, the scholarship includes a materials grant, mentoring with industry professionals and a final show to celebrate your achievements in the college gallery.

*The De Beers Group: Jewellery Scholarships at Morley College London* are for applicants over the age of 19 who would like to learn how to make jewellery or to further their learning and careers in jewellery making and De Beers Group would welcome applicants from underrepresented communities.

**There are 2 scholarships:**

1. The Starter Level Scholarship (2 scholars)
2. The Intermediate Level Scholarship (2 scholars)

**Guidelines & Information**

1. **Starter Level Scholarship**

This scholarship is for applicants wanting to start a career in jewellery making. It is recommended to have already tried jewellery making on a short course to make sure you enjoy the craft, before committing to a year-long programme.

**The recipient will undertake:**

* A year of part-time, tailored study in jewellery making on our Level 1 Jewellery Certificate course which runs on Mondays from 10 AM – 1 PM. There is the opportunity to study in the afternoon on the same day as well.
* Approximately 5-10 additional short courses throughout the year at Morley College London. These may be jewellery courses, jewellery specialisms such as enamelling and stone setting, but may also be related subjects such as product photography, design or business classes.

The Scholarship also offers the recipient a materials-grant and mentoring from a professional jeweller. You will have the opportunity to exhibit work at the end of the year at Morley College, although at starter-level this is not mandatory.

1. **Intermediate Level Scholarship**

The Intermediate Level Jewellery Scholarship is for applicants who have a good knowledge of jewellery making, wishing to explore and expand their skill levels, and to develop their jewellery and their business.

**Intermediate 1:** We will select one scholar who is at intermediate level but still developing work. You should have at least one year of recent jewellery making experience. You want to launch a business in a few years' time, we don’t expect you to be ready to do so at the end of the scholarship year.

**Intermediate 2:** We will select one scholar who is intermediate - advanced level and ready to launch a business at the end of the scholarship.

**The recipient will undertake:**

* A year of part-time, tailored study in jewellery on our Level 2 Jewellery Certificate course which runs on Wednesday mornings from 10 AM – 1PM. There is the opportunity to study in the afternoon on the same day as well.
* Approximately 15-20 additional short courses throughout the year at Morley College London. These may be jewellery courses, jewellery specialisms such as enamelling and stone setting, but may also be related subjects such as product photography, design or business classes.

The Scholarship also offers the recipient a materials grant, mentoring from a professional jeweller, and an opportunity to exhibit work at the end of the year at Morley College.

**Eligibility:**

* You must be aged 19 or over in September 2024
* You must be able to commit to part-time study over a year (three academic terms).
* You must send a presentation following the guidelines below and intermediate level applicants must include images of their work (images are optional for starter level applicants).
* We welcome applicants from underrepresented communities.

**Applicants should note that:**

Incomplete applications will not be considered, so please make sure you’ve answered all the questions below. If for any reason you are unable to submit your application electronically or have any queries, please get in touch at least a day before the deadline. We are here to help.

* + Visual Arts Administrator Shirley Ryan: shirley.ryan@morleycollege.ac.uk
	+ The application process is competitive, and all applications will be assessed by experts in relation to the Scholarship criteria.
	+ Please note that interviews for shortlisted candidates will take place at the beginning of September

How to apply

Please submit a presentation that includes images of your work (intermediate level) and answers the questions below. This can be a simple word document, PowerPoint presentation, a video or other.

**Your presentation must include the following:**

**1. Contact Details**

Your name, address, phone number, email address.

**2. Which scholarship level you are applying for?**

* Beginner Level
* Intermediate Level

**3. Background and aspirations**

Please tell us about you and your journey towards becoming a jewellery designer/maker.

Feel free to answer in a way that best tells your story, whether this is a 200-500 word text or a short video or sound clip.

**Please include the following:**

* What inspired you to pursue jewellery making?
* What are your aspirations?
* How have your personal experiences and background influenced your aspirations?
* How would receiving this scholarship help you achieve your goals?
* Is there a wider context to your story, such as influences from your family, culture or identity?

**4. Images of your work**

Intermediate level applicants must submit up to 10 images of their most recent work. You have the option of including images of final pieces as well as supporting work such as sketches and models. The total number of images should not exceed 10.

\* We recommend you collate your images into one document such as Word or PowerPoint.

Starter level applicants: We recommend you’ve tried metal jewellery making on a short course before applying to this scholarship. This is to make sure you enjoy and understand what’s involved in the craft. Please includeup to 5 images of work made on short or taster courses. You may also include sketches of ideas you’d like to develop or images of other crafts you practice, however the total number of images should not exceed 10.

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| **Email your application to the following contact:*** Visual Arts Administrator: shirley.ryan@morleycollege.ac.uk
* Deadline: Midnight Thursday 5th September
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**Further enquiries:**

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