

Annual Awards for Excellence 2020

Categories:

1. Exhibition, Display or Interpretation Project (developed in house, i.e. not bought-in or touring).

2. Collections Care/Collections Development Project (e.g. rationalisation, storage, documentation, conservation programme).

3. Engagement Project or Event (at a museum venue or led by a museum on behalf of a city/region or a community project).

4. Collections Research (undertaken by an organisation or individual relative to museum archaeological collections).

5. Collaborative Partnership (between a museum and other organisation(s) of benefit to the wider archaeological sector and /or museums and their audiences).

6. Volunteering Award – we want to celebrate all aspects of volunteers in museum archaeology, so this category is very broad - we would welcome nominations for an individual volunteer, groups of volunteers, projects involving volunteers, a volunteer run museum, etc.

Entry Conditions:

- There is no charge to apply for an award.
- CLOSING DATE for entry is **OCTOBER 2nd 2020**. All applications should be received by **12 noon**.
- All nominated projects must have a clear museum archaeological collections focus.
- Entries can only be nominated by individual or institutional members of the Society for Museum Archaeology.
- All projects which are the subject of an entry must have been completed between January 1st 2019 and July 31st 2020 within the UK.
- Information must be supplied in electronic format using the headings listed below.
- The written entry paper must consist of no more than two sides of A4 written at a minimum font size of 11 pt. plus one side of A4 with up to four images. Entries must respond to the criteria of the category for which the entry is made.
- Each entry may be accompanied by up to 3 supporting pdf documents (e.g. brochures, posters or additional images) that illustrate the project and/or its outcomes that comprise in total of no more than 3 sides of A4.
- All entries will be assessed by a panel made up of members of the SMA Committee no correspondence will be entered into with applicants and the panel's decisions will be final.
- Winners will be notified by **Friday 23rd October 2020** but publicly announced at the Virtual SMA Annual Conference on **Friday 13th November**.

Application headings

- 1. Contact Details (Name, Job Title, Email Address, Contact Telephone Number)
- 2. Category Entered
- 3. Organisation(s)/ Museum(s)
- 4. Title of project/exhibition/event being entered
- 5. Brief summary of team involved
- 6. Description of the project/exhibition/event being entered
- 7. Overall objectives of the project
- 8. Implementation (including budget where applicable)

9. Impacts and outcomes – e.g. for the organisation, museum archaeology, collections, audiences, staff or volunteers.

10. Why this project should win.

Completed entries should be emailed to:

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