

BWF Apprentice of the Year Award 2019

Entry Form

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The BWF Apprentice of the Year Award celebrates the achievements of woodworking apprentices. Previous winners of the Award have really stood out from the crowd, either through fantastic feats in their work or extraordinary commitment that has added value to their place of work.

In 2018 the Award was presented to Henry Acres, an apprentice at Holbeach-based joinery firm JT Ward.

Judging Criteria

The Apprentice of the Year Award will be judged against the following criteria:

- **Outstanding achievement** – Quality of workmanship;
- **Commitment** – Good timekeeping and attitude;
- **Adding value** – The use of initiative to improve workplace processes and/or quality;
- **Personal development** – How the apprentice has benefited from his/her training in terms of maturity and workmanship.

Entry Requirements

To enter complete this Award entry form and submit with the following information:

- A short description of up to three projects with supporting photographs, including a picture of the apprentice (in electronic jpeg format);
- A testimony/reference from the employer covering the key criteria (no more than 500 words);
- A testimony from the college/training provider supporting the key criteria (no more than 500 words) and confirming good attendance;
- A short video from the apprentice on what they have gained from their training and what winning this Award would mean to them. The video can simply be taken on a smart phone.

Entry Rules

- Apprentices in all UK woodworking businesses are eligible to enter.
- Individuals on a formal apprenticeship programme in a woodworking related occupation are eligible. For example, apprentices in Bench/Architectural Joinery, Wood Machining and Wood Product Manufacturing have previously entered this Award.
- An apprentice is eligible if still studying or have completed their studies within twelve months of the closing date.
- There is no Award entry fee and all shortlisted entries will receive two complimentary tickets to the annual Awards Dinner, thanks to our generous sponsors.
- There are no limits on the number of entries per company, but only one entry per person.
- Entry forms must be received by **no later than 17:00 on Friday 13th September 2019**.
- Judges' decisions are final and no correspondence or discussion will be entered into regarding the selection process.
- By submitting this Award entry form you are giving the BWF permission to use images, videos and details of the entry to promote the Awards and provide examples of best practice on the BWF website and across associated PR.

Awards Presentation

The BWF Apprentice of the Year Award will be presented at the BWF Awards Dinner on the evening of Friday 22nd November 2019 at the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn, London. Shortlisted entries will be notified of their success at least one month in advance and they will receive two complimentary tickets to the Awards Dinner so they can celebrate their success and be there to accept the Award should they win the category. Additional tickets to the Awards Dinner will be available for friends and colleagues and you will be notified of how to book these.

Entry Form

Please complete the form and return this entry form together with your supporting evidence:

By email to Hayley Baptist, BWF Membership & Training Officer - hayley.baptist@bwf.org.uk

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By post to **BWF Awards, British Woodworking Federation, The Building Centre, 26 Store Street, London, WC1E 7BT**

(please note that images will still need to be provided in an electronic format)

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact Hayley on 0207 307 6425.

1. Individual Entry

Please enter the details of the individual you wish to nominate for this Award:

Name of Apprentice:

Date of Birth:

Nominating Employer or Line Manager:

Job Title:

Company:

Address:

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Contact Tel No: Contact Email Address:

How long has the nominee worked for the company?

College attended / training provider used:

Contact details of teacher / trainer we can contact to verify evidence:

Checklist for entering the Apprentice of the Year Award:

- ☐ Photographs (in electronic jpeg format) and short description of up to three projects.
- ☐ A testimony/reference from the employer covering the key criteria (no more than 500 words).
- ☐ A testimony from the college/training provider supporting the key criteria (no more than 500 words) and confirming good attendance.
- ☐ A short video from the apprentice on what they have gained from their training and what winning this Award would mean to them.

Please forward any additional documentation or photographs separately to this Award entry form.

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