

## **Overview of the Young Heritage Apprentices Programme:**

The Prince's Foundation for Building Community are pleased to announce the third year of their programme aimed at helping 16 – 18 year-olds into a career in the traditional building craft sector. The Prince's Foundation will train these Young Heritage Apprentices in a variety of crafts including stonemasonry, roofing, land crafts, carpentry and plastering. The Young Heritage Apprentices will be able to try their hand at the different crafts, and specialise in the one they enjoy the most. By combining these classes with placements with some of the country's leading master craftspeople, as well as short courses such as Business Skills, the budding craft professionals will take the first steps towards a career in a sector that is currently suffering from a skills shortage.

## **Key Points:**

- Participants will be between the ages of 16-18 and not in education or employment at the time of the programme
- 12 participants per year over 3 years (36 Young Heritage Apprentices in total)
- Apprentices will have the choice of focusing on one of five traditional building skills: plastering, stonemasonry, carpentry and joinery, roofing and landcrafts.
- Apprentices will participate in a 3 week summer school at Dumfries House Estate in Scotland, starting in
  July, where they will take workshops in each of the 5 craft skills. They will then work with mentors to
  identify the craft of most interest to them, providing a suitable placement is available in their local area
- After the summer school, apprentices will participate in a Live Build at Dumfries House, alongside older students and professionals from the craft, architecture and design industries
- Following the Live Build, participants will undertake a number of placements with providers local to their area over the course of 10 months
- Apprentices will also undertake two short courses: a short course in business skills and a short course leading to a Level 3 Award in Understanding Repair and Maintenance of Traditional Pre-1919 Buildings
- Participants will be working towards achieving a Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Building Maintenance, Multitrade Repair and Refurbishment (Construction)
- The course is free and all participants will receive a monthly bursary of £765

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