

Previous Projects

West Dean College:

During the 2017/2018 academic year, two students received financial support from TAS Sussex Area, funded by contributions from individual societies and the profits of our Area Special Interest Days. For an overview of our links with the College click [here](#). TAS Sussex Area scholar Stephen Loader received two prizes at the recent awards ceremony held on 5 July 2018, both for his outstanding skills in Horology (clock restoration). Local TAS societies also presented prizes at this event, to Sarah Askey for her work with Book and Manuscript restoration, and to Jane McNair for her creations under the Visual Arts heading. For further details of all four awards please click [here](#). For more information about Stephen's major project please click his Spring Term report [here](#) and his End-of-Year report [here](#). Sarah's most recent report on her work can be seen [here](#). For an example of Jane McNair's work click [here](#). Our second 2017/2018 scholar, Rosie Blay also completed this summer and her Spring Term report is [here](#), and her End-of-Year report [here](#). Anyone who has ever dropped and broken a valuable ceramic piece can take heart that Rosie now has the skills to reconstruct it. Brilliant! The West Dean scholarships were jointly subscribed by local TAS societies and the Sussex Area.

South of England show, 7-9 June 2018 at the Ardingly showground.

The Arts Society Sussex Area and six local societies (Arun, Eastbourne, Mid-Sussex, Rudgwick, Storrington, and Uckfield & Lewes) contributed significantly towards the financial support of the *Young Craftsman of the Year Competition*. See the News tab (above). The prospectus for the 2019 competition can be accessed [here](#), and the relevant entry form [here](#).

TAS Arun: ran a series of 5 community workshops covering a range of media for primary children and families at Georgian Garden School, Rustington.

TAS Chichester: continues to offer bursaries to assist 9 technical students at Chichester Festival Youth Theatre.

TAS City of Chichester: supported an artist in residence for KS2 pupils at Chidham School, focusing on Kandinsky and abstract art, whilst at West Wittering School they provided materials to enhance the making of props and costumes for the school's production of *The Lion King*.

TAS East Grinstead: has made donations to Imberhorne and Sackville Schools for music related activities. Printmaker Helen Brown led a one-day workshop for Year 9 pupils at Sackville. The society also sponsored a

West Dean College prize, for further details see [here](#). The society's website is [here](#).

TAS Horsham: held a poster competition for Sixth Form Students to publicise their lectures.

TAS Lavant Valley: successfully entered art work from Singleton School where they achieved a winning entry and two highly commended in one category. At the same primary school they also funded materials for pupils to work with clay to produce artwork for the school entrance.

TAS Lavant Valley: another collaborative art project with Singleton Primary School has been completed. Children at the school are organised into three classes, named Willow, Beech and Oak. Each child in this small school has crafted a leaf related to their class name, using clay. The leaves were fired, painted and glazed, marked with each child's name and hung from a tree to create a colourful display in the school hallway. Please [click here](#) to see the completed display.

TAS Mid-Sussex: held an art competition 'Through the Doorway' at Rother Valley College. Selected works were exhibited in the art shop in Midhurst where the winning painting was sold!

TAS Rudgwick: made a generous donation to an outstanding student at West Dean. For further details see [here](#).

TAS South Downs: has been at Bury Primary School working on a collages project.

TAS Steyning: paid for an artist in residence to work with Year 10 pupils for two days at Steyning Grammar School on life drawing.

TAS Walberton: ran a project which involved sponsoring a visit by Year 6 students from Yapton Primary School to Pallant Gallery in Chichester to learn about mask making and to study faces.

TAS West Sussex: sponsored an open air theatre performance of 'Danny the Champion of the World' for children combined with a competition to design the image to be used as publicity within Petworth Festival. They also held a 'Street Art' evening lecture for 6th form students, parents, teachers and members, given by Doug Gillen at The Weald School.

TAS West Sussex: organized a Pop-Up Exhibition of school children's art (all ages) at the Petworth Festival (18-21 July 2018). The venue was the United Reformed Church in the centre of the town. The exhibition was spectacular and a report is presented [here](#).

TAS Uckfield, Lewes & Newick: sponsored the affiliation of Holy Cross Primary School, Uckfield to Artsmark, a scheme administered by The Arts Council England which sets standards and provides support for creative activities in schools. With help from the Patricia Fay Fund, the society also funded the preparation for and participation in the May Day Parade through Uckfield on 28 May 2018. For a report [click here](#).

A notable development has been the collaboration on three Societies, Chichester, City of Chichester and Lavant who are working together on a project at Cass Sculpture Park which will enable up to 200 students in the area to access the archive there, using the inspiration as research to inspire and develop their own work.