

The Founders' Sculpture Prize

The Founders' Sculpture Prize aims to promote figurative sculpture based on the human form and its translation into bronze; eligibility is limited to sculptors in the first ten years of their sculpting careers.

Since 2007 The Founders Company has co-organised and sponsored The Founders Sculpture Prize a bi-annual prize promoting figurative sculpture in cast bronze

The aims of the Prize are:

- To promote excellence and imagination in the art of figurative sculpture using the human form
- To foster figurative sculptors in the earlier stages of their careers, and to give them a unique opportunity of creative freedom within a commission context
- To encourage figurative sculptors to use cast bronze, and to increase public awareness and interest in cast bronze sculpture
- To increase the standard of technical skill in figurative sculpture
- To find new and meaningful expressions of the human figure in sculpture
- To challenge preconceptions about sculpture of the human form, and to stimulate interest in figurative sculpture in the public domain

Sculpture Prize Sponsors

The Prize is sponsored by the following bodies:

- [The Worshipful Company of Founders](#)
- [The Gilbert Bayes Trust](#)
- [The Society of Portrait Sculptors](#)

Eligibility of competitors

Applications for the Prize are invited from any figurative sculptors in the early stages of their sculpting careers. There are no restrictions on nationality, age or sculpting qualifications, and the Prize Committee will look sympathetically at borderline applicants. However, the Prize Committee wishes the Prize to encourage up-and-coming sculptors in the early stages of their careers, rather than those whose careers are already established, and will not entertain submissions from competitors whose post-qualification sculpting careers exceed fifteen years in aggregate.

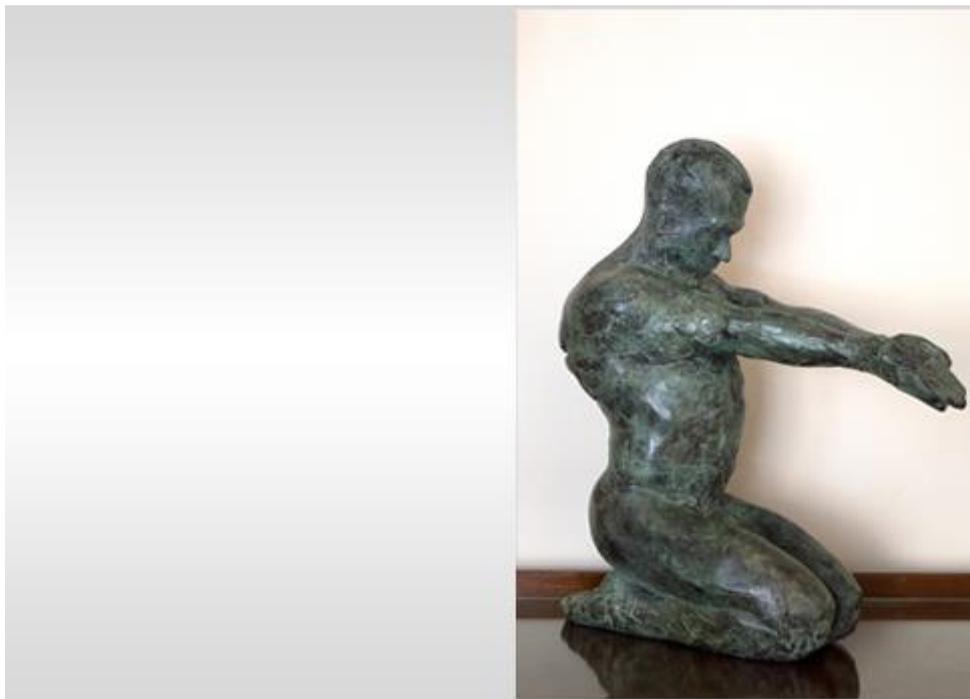
The Prize consists of the following benefits:

- There will be not more than five shortlisted finalists
- Each Finalist is commissioned to make Finalist's Maquette(s) and Drawing(s)
- Each Finalist receives a Shortlisting Commission
- Each Finalist also receives designated mentoring
- The Winner is commissioned to cast the winning sculpture in bronze
- The Winner receives additional mentoring
- The Winner of the Prize receives £5,000

All the Finalists' Maquettes and a bronze cast of the Prize Sculpture are displayed in London with private viewing and a formal awards ceremony

The work of the previous winners of the Founders' Sculpture Prize

2015 Ellen Christensen - "Odysseus"



2013 George Triggs - 'Surrender'



2011 - John Ensor 'Offshore Dissipation'



2009 - Valentina Zlatrova - Immersion



2007 - Sophie Dickens - Turning Man

