



The Frances Garnham Award 2020 Application form

Each year the Historic Houses Learning Advisory Panel presents the Frances Garnham Award to a member house or garden that's demonstrated an innovative approach to education, learning or community engagement work.

The Award commemorates the achievements of Frances Garnham, who worked as Director of Policy and Campaigns at Historic Houses until 2015. Frances was passionate about encouraging heritage sites to embrace the opportunities of engaging with a wide range of audiences. Presenting this Award as part of the Sandford Award Ceremony each year recognises the enduring partnership between Historic Houses and the Heritage Education Trust, with which Frances was involved.

Previous winners include Bell House in Dulwich, Fairfax House in York, Holdenby House in Northamptonshire, Clytha Park in Monmouthshire and Kelmarsh Hall in Northamptonshire.

The Award criteria are as follows:

- **Open to historic houses and gardens in Historic Houses membership.** If your house or garden is a member of Historic Houses, you're eligible to apply.
- **Applicants must be able to demonstrate innovative examples of education, learning or outreach work in a heritage setting.** We are interested in hearing from member houses or gardens of all shapes and sizes – those with education staff, those with no education staff where the owner has spearheaded learning work, and those where learning work is led by volunteers – that think they can demonstrate innovative learning, education or community engagement practice, whatever the scale.
- **The emphasis should be on innovative forms of learning and outreach rather than 'traditional' school visits alone** (though of course school visits can form part of an innovative learning offer). The operative word is 'innovative' but that can mean many different things in different settings; for example, a small lived-in house with no paid staff may demonstrate innovative outreach work on a smaller scale and in a different way than a large member house with a team of paid education staff. The Award seeks to shine a light on innovative work in a variety of different contexts and with multiple audiences.

If you have a story to tell us about innovative learning or outreach work at your house or garden, please complete the short form below **by 31 July 2020** and email it to emma.robinson@historichouses.org or post it to Emma Robinson, Historic Houses, 2 Chester Street, London, SW1X 7BB.

Entry details

Name of house/garden:
Contact details of person for judges to contact for more information:
Address:
Contact telephone:
Contact email:
Is the house/garden open to the public? YES/NO
If the answer to the previous question was 'yes', how many days per year?
Number of full-time-equivalent staff working in education, learning or outreach (if any)
Number of volunteers working in education, learning or outreach (if any)

For submission

- A. Please attach a written description (no more than 1,000 words) of why it is felt that the house/garden is worthy of consideration for the Frances Garnham Award, with reference to the criteria set out above. Links to websites or articles detailing the projects highlighted are encouraged.
- B. Up to six digital photographs of the projects detailed in the application, supplied electronically. They must be of good quality and clearly show the activities underway within the historic house or garden setting.

Signature (or typed name):

Date: