

# Tomos Sparnon The Silver Jubilee Development Award Winner 2022

Young Welsh artist wins major Welsh award



*Tomos Sparnon with one of his paintings*

A Fine Art graduate from Neath, Tomos Sparnon, has won the Silver Jubilee Development Award worth £2,500, a prestigious Award, made annually by the Worshipful Livery Company of Wales.

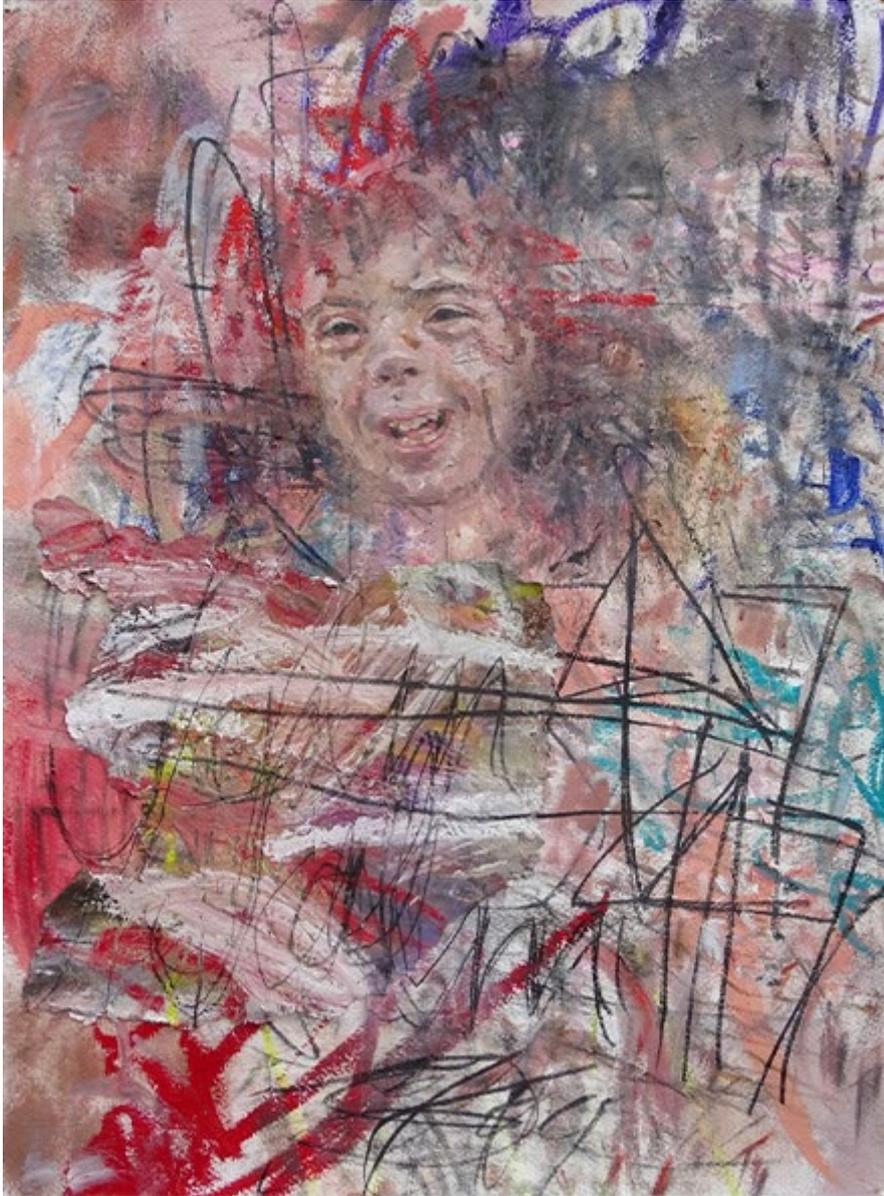
Tomos, 24, is an award winning painter and an accomplished sculptor of clay and stone materials and has exhibited in both these areas. His work in clay sculptures

have been recognised at Swansea College of Art when images of his work were exhibited on a banner in front of the college building and one of his recently exhibited paintings was purchased by the National Library of Wales for its collections.

This Award will enable Tomos to create a series of contemporary sculptures on the theme of Mother and Child. He will use materials not explored by him previously and his aim is to create unique, thought-provoking and relevant works of art. The completed works will, hopefully, be exhibited in various galleries around Wales in the near future and Tomos will also use those opportunities to give talks on the sculptures and the process of creating them.

On winning this Award, Tomos Sparnon, now working as an independent artist said, "I'm honoured and humbled to have won the Silver Jubilee Development Award and I'm very grateful to the panel for putting their faith in me and my work. Being able to create sculptures in response to the theme of Mother and Child has been a desire of mine for some time and receiving this financial assistance will allow me to realise these ideas. I'm looking forward to starting on the project as soon as possible".

Professor Gillian Davies, Chair of the Judging Panel said "One of The Company's aims is to encourage and support talented young people in Wales to progress with a specific project. The funds for this Award come from the Silver Jubilee Fund which was raised during 2018 to help us recognise such young people in fields of study not previously covered by the Company. Last year our Award focused on International Affairs and Foreign Languages and this year in the area of Fine Arts, we are delighted to make the Award to Tomos Sparnon, a gifted young artist, to help with his efforts to work at another level and enhance his reputation as a sculptor as well as a painter"



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Dear Liverymen,

I am pleased to announce that, through the good offices of the Chair of our PRC, Agnes Xavier-Phillips, we have obtained an interview for our winner of the Silver Jubilee Development Award with the Western Mail.

I am pleased to say the Editor of the WM has approved this article on Tomos our SJDA winner to be published.

It will appear in the Education section of the pull-out magazine of the Western Mail in the Education section this Saturday 14th May.

*Christopher Dale*

Clerk