

LUTSF has great pleasure in announcing 24 travel scholarships awarded for 2012/13. The projects selected highlight the policy of the Fund to support a diverse range of journeys and to assist individuals at different stages in their careers to travel to enrich their practice and pursue a personal passion.

Lisa Ullmann, in whose memory the Fund was established in 1986, was an inspiration to those who knew her or who came into contact with her work. A distinguished teacher, she travelled worldwide to teach others. It is in memory of her vivacity, passion and energy that the committee continues her work by selecting movement and dance practitioners to further or celebrate their own practice by making a journey. Since giving its first awards in 1987 LUTSF has provided 454 travel scholarships to help people to pursue an extraordinarily wide range of projects. Over the years LUTSF awards have totalled in excess of £214,000.

85 applications were received, of which 82 were eligible for consideration. It was widely felt by members of the Committee that the quality of applications was even higher this year, making the selection process that much more challenging. The Committee was particularly pleased with both the geographic spread and age range of applicants in 2012, though it was noted that this year saw a drop in the number of male applicants to just 8.

LUTSF projects for 2012/13 include (full list available on the website)

- London to South Africa to observe the creation of new dance work;
- Cumbria to New York to share working practices in relation to Parkinson's Disease;
- Newcastle-Upon-Tyne to Stockholm to explore changes & developments in the teaching of ballet;
- Leicester to Brazil as part of a UK delegation of disabled and non-disabled artists;
- Surrey to Tokyo to develop theoretical and practical awareness of Butoh Dance;
- London to Los Angeles to attend a free-running/parkour summer course;
- Hove to Taiwan to participate in a summer community arts project.

LUTSF Committee is delighted to announce that this year it has been able to increase its award total by almost 50%. A total of £14,833 has been awarded to the 24 winners. Of the 24, 12 are under 30, and 9 are between 31 and 50, with 3 over 50. There are 23 female awardees and 1 male. Geographically, all regions of the UK are represented, except Northern Ireland (no applications were received from this region).

LUTSF gratefully acknowledges the support of Gillian Lynne CBE, the late Annie Collins and the late Vivien Gear as well as many individual donors. The Management Committee of the Fund would like to congratulate scholarship winners, and is delighted that LUTSF is able to make possible so many exciting projects. The LUTSF website carries reports from all scholarship winners since 2002, and these reports give some insight into the value of the experiences gained from these travel awards.

**Donations** (one-off gifts, covenants, or bequests) to make it possible for LUTSF to continue its work are gratefully received and should be sent to: The Treasurer (LUTSF) at the address below. The LUTSF **FRIENDS SCHEME** is now up and running. Find out more and get an application form from the website or from the postal address below.

**Information and guidelines for applicants are available online.**

**Application Forms** can be obtained from the website **from 1<sup>st</sup> September** and must be submitted to arrive by 25<sup>th</sup> January. No late applications are considered. Forms can also be obtained on receipt of an A5 SAE (1st class stamp) from:

**The Secretary (LUTSF), Breach, Kilmington, Axminster, Devon EX13 7ST**