



FRANK  
RYAN  
BURSARY

“Frank’s clarity of design has always been outstanding. It is what it does, and it does what it is supposed to. No clutter, no superfluous decoration, everything thought through to the finest detail. As he often says, simplicity is not for the simple. Another of Frank’s maxims is ‘God is in the details’, and he always expects the same attention to detail in others as he requires of himself.” **Jonathan Mason**

## Frank Ryan Bursary

The Frank Ryan Bursary has been established by the Institute of Designers in Ireland (IDI) to honor one of its most distinguished founders and lifelong members.

With a career spanning over sixty years, Frank Ryan's abiding passion for design and design education in Ireland was manifest. During his distinguished career, he lectured at the National College of Art and Design and at Griffith College Dublin. He was a committee member for the formation of the School of Art and Design at Dublin Institute of Technology and he served on the panel of examiners for the National Council of Educational Awards.

In recognition of his continuing legacy to design education, Frank was the recipient of the Professional Excellence Award from Griffith College Dublin. This legacy can be seen today in the work of young designers studying on the programmes he helped to establish, joining the societies he formed and working within a profession for which he set the standards.

A master designer and craftsman, Frank's design experience extended to commercial and retail interiors, showrooms, exhibition stands, fashion shows and visitor centres in twenty-two cities across nine countries, often in collaboration with Enterprise Ireland. He was an advisor to Kilkenny Design

Workshops and to the Heritage Trust Exhibition at the Guinness Hop Store. He worked with Eigse, specialising in heritage. He founded Heritage Planning and Design Services and was a member of the design team for the Irish Pavilion at Expo '92 in Seville.

Frank was a founding member and Fellow of The Institute of Designers in Ireland and also a founder member of The Institute of Creative Advertising and Design. As a designer he believed in the importance of promoting the highest standards of design and professional practice.

A wise and generous craftsman, Frank, through his work and dedication for design, contributed to the cultural life of Ireland, freely sharing his skills and knowledge with others.

The Frank Ryan Bursary will ensure that Frank's vision and influence will continue to benefit future generations of designers in Ireland.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cameron Ross". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Cameron Ross**

President, Institute of Designers in Ireland

“... In your career Frank you have gone beyond mere generous master craftsman, always prepared to share

### **What is the Bursary?**

The Frank Ryan Bursary will fund design students who wish to pursue an international educational opportunity or a design project overseas. The intent of the bursary is to provide assistance to cover travel costs, housing costs, materials and research.

The Bursary is being established in honour of Frank's involvement in design and design education and as a commitment to celebrating excellence and exploration among our emerging designers.

The Bursary will be managed by the IDI and a bank account in the Bursary's name will be founded. We will also develop a section of the IDI Website that will honour Frank, outline the Bursary and application procedure and promote our sponsors.

### **Who is it for?**

The Bursary will be awarded to a full-time design student of demonstrable ability who wishes to participate in an approved international educational program, attend an international design event, or develop an agreed course-related project that requires international travel.

### **How will it work?**

Design students will be asked to submit a proposal outlining details of why they require funding. A panel of judges, made up of IDI Council members, industry experts and educational advisors, will then assess the proposals and award the bursary to the most suitable candidate.

Shortlisted applicants may be invited for an interview with the judging panel. At the end of the judging process the winner will receive a cash award towards their proposal and a framed certificate.

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are your skills and knowledge with others.” Paul Hogan

## Donations

We aim to establish a fund that will support the Frank Ryan Bursary in perpetuity. In order to do so we need to raise a significant figure. This will finance the necessary bursary that will be awarded to the successful applicant each year.

We are calling on Frank’s friends, colleagues and former business contacts, to help us honour his life-long commitment to design and the development of design education in Ireland. We have established three donation categories as follows:

### Category A €10,000

- You will be promoted (Brand/Logo placement) on all Bursary print collateral.
- You will be promoted (Brand/Logo placement) as a Benefactor on the Bursary Website.
- You will receive an invitation to attend the launch of the Bursary.
- You will be promoted in all Bursary press releases.
- You will be licensed to use the official Bursary/IDI logos to promote, within your own marketing materials and PR program, your sponsorship and involvement in the Frank Ryan Bursary.

### Category B €5,000

- You will be promoted (Brand/Logo placement) on all Bursary print collateral.
- You will be promoted (Brand/Logo placement) as a Benefactor on the Bursary Website.
- You will receive an invitation to attend the launch of the Bursary.
- You will be promoted in all Bursary press releases.

### Category C €1,000

- You will be promoted (listing) on all Bursary print collateral.
- You will be listed as a Benefactor (listing) on the Bursary Website.
- You will receive an invitation to attend the launch of the Bursary.

Should you wish your donation to remain private, we will ensure that your request is respected. Smaller individual donations will, of course, be welcomed.

“Frank carried the baton of design representation at national and international level right throughout his impressive career. Design in Ireland has benefited from his life’s work. Frank kept the affairs of the IDI in order for many years and always reminded new members of the important milestones in the development of the Institute.”

**Martin Gaffney, Past President IDI**

#### **How to donate?**

Please make cheques payable to the

**Institute of Designers in Ireland / Frank Ryan Bursary**

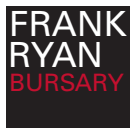
and send them to the following address:

**Institute of Designers in Ireland**

**8 Merrion Square, Dublin 2, Ireland**

“We could talk forever about working together with Frank, his extraordinary input to Irish cultural life, his achievements as a designer and as an educator, the respect he holds among fellow-professionals, educators and ex-students and the love which we, his friends hold for him in our hearts.”

**Michal Ozmin**



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