10 National Lottery projects shortlisted for Angel



The Temperate House at the Royal Botanic Gardens in Kew

The Historic England Angel Awards celebrates the unsung heroes of the heritage world. This year, ten out of the fifteen shortlisted people, organisations and projects have been supported by National Lottery players.

Best Rescue of a Historic Building or Place

1. The Florence Institute: “The Florrie,” as it is known locally, is believed to be the oldest surviving purpose-built boys club in the UK.

2. Wilton’s Music Hall: This beautiful music hall reopened in 2015 as a hub for community activities and events.

3. The Beonna at All Saints Benington: This inspiring project seeks to find a sustainable future for All Saints Church by re-opening as a community, events and heritage centre.

Best Major Regeneration of a Historic Building or Place

4. The Temperate House at the Royal Botanic Gardens: A complete transformation of the world’s largest Victorian glasshouse - home to some of our rarest and most threatened plants.

5. Historic Dockyard Chatham: The Fitted Rigging House was restored thanks to National Lottery funding.This Grade I listed building now houses rental spaces for commercial tenancy, helping the financial sustainability of the dockyard.

6. The Cromford Mills Creative Cluster and World Heritage Site Gateway Project: The largest surviving building on Sir Richard Arkwright's Cromford Mills site has been transformed into a heritage information centre and creative business hub.

Best Heritage Research, Interpretation or Recording

7. Kristy Cooper for Heritage Ability: A project working with sites across the South West to transform access to heritage for deaf and disabled people.

8. Mark Webb for Medieval Coventry: Educating people about medieval Coventry using a mix of traditional and innovative approaches.

Best Craftsperson or Apprentice on a Heritage Rescue or Repair Project

9. Reuben Marsh for the First World War Memorial East Window at St Pol de Léon Church: One of the most important stained glass windows in Cornwall is now being preserved.

10. Allen Smelt Mill volunteers: This project seeks a sustainable and low-carbon future for the Allen Valleys, turning the stunning site into a safe and accessible tourist spot.

Update: three winners!

On the evening of 27 November, **The Florrie** was awarded Best Rescue of a Historic Building or Place and the Best Major Regeneration of a Historic Building or Place award went to the **Historic Dockyard Chatham**.

Wilton's Music Hall won the Historic England Followers' Favourite award, which is voted for by the public.



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Winners of Best Craftsman or Apprentice on a Heritage Rescue or Repair Project

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